

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1481
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, to which was referred H.B. No. 1481 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REDUCED IGNITION PROPENSITY CIGARETTE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the use of the Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarette Program Special Fund to support the duties and responsibilities of the State Fire Council in addition to administering and enforcing the Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarette Program; and
- (2) Appropriate funds out of the Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarette Program Special Fund to support the duties and responsibilities of the State Fire Council.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Fire Council, Honolulu Fire Department, Maui Fire Department, and Hawai'i Fire Department. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.



Your Committee finds that the State Fire Council is tasked with reviewing and adopting the State Fire Code, providing administrative oversight of the Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarette Program, providing assistance with the application and administration of federal grants for the fire service, assisting and coordinating with the statewide delivery of fire training program, coordinating the collection of fire data, and supporting contingency planning needs for firefighters.

Your Committee further finds that this measure authorizes additional uses for and appropriates funds into the Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarette Program Special Fund, which will allow the State Fire Council to fulfill its mission with existing revenue to properly support the educational programs and training for a comprehensive fire service emergency management network for the protection of life, property, and the environment in the State.

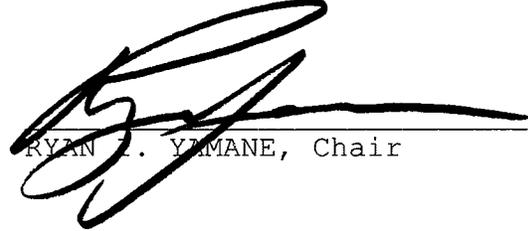
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the preamble other than the narrow purpose statement of this measure;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1481, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1481, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health, Human
Services, & Homelessness,



RYAN J. YAMANE, Chair



