

Honolulu, Hawaii  
Feb 16, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2048  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2006  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2048  
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to protect our youth from becoming addicted to tobacco products and falling victim to the multiple health hazards resulting from tobacco use by banning the sale of flavored tobacco products in Hawaii.

The Department of the Attorney General, Department of Health, American Cancer Society, Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawaii, American Heart Association, and numerous concerned individuals supported this bill. The Cigar Association of America, Inc., opposed this measure.

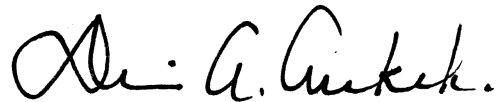
Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Deleting all reference to cigars; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2048, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2048, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Health,



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DENNIS A. ARAKAKI, Chair



