

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 32

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 32 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF CIGARETTE FIRE SAFETY STANDARDS ESTABLISHED IN OTHER STATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of the Attorney General to study the impact of cigarette fire safety standards established in other states and Canada.

Testimony in support of this measure was received from the Chair of the State Fire Council (SFC), Fire Chief of the Kaua'i Fire Department (KFD), and the Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawai'i. The Department of the Attorney General opposed the measure citing that the Department lacks the expertise and resources necessary to conduct the study.

Testifiers in support of this measure requested that the study include the sale of fire-safe cigarettes. Presently, eight states have passed legislation relating to fire-safe cigarettes and twenty-one states have pending legislation including Hawai'i's H.B. No. 637.

Your Committee finds that this measure requests the Attorney General to consult with the Department of Health, the Department of Taxation and the State Fire Council to determine whether Hawai'i could benefit from new safety standards and laws both in the United States and Canada. The expertise which is being sought by



this measure from the Department of the Attorney General's is reviewing laws and as a facilitator. Your Committee believes that the Department of Attorney General possesses the expertise called for by this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 32 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,

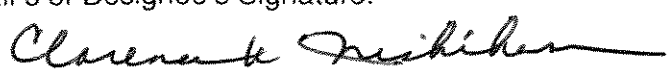


CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SCR 32	JDL	4-11-07		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC)				✓
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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