

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 15, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2298
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2298
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTISTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to prevent dentists from falsely
claiming to be a specialist without having had proper training and
certification by authorizing the Board of Dental Examiners (BDE)
to sanction licensees for false or misleading advertising.

The Hawaii Dental Association supported this bill. BDE
opposed this measure.

Your committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Inserting a savings clause; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2050, to
encourage further discussion.

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.
2298, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second
Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2298, H.D. 1, and
be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.



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

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JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



