

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 17, 2008

RE: H.C.R. No. 108

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.C.R. No. 108 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE THE RISKS INVOLVED IN THE USE AND CONSUMPTION OF PHTHALATES, BISPHENOL-A, AND ASPARTAME IN CONSUMER PRODUCTS, ESPECIALLY BY YOUNG CHILDREN,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to provide more information and weigh the pros and cons of using products containing chemicals such as phthalates and aspartame by consumers especially young children.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs supports this concurrent resolution. The Department of Health opposed this concurrent resolution. The Hawaii Food Industry Association, American Chemistry Council, and the Hawaii Dietetic Association submitted comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 108 and recommends that it be referred to the Committees on Consumer Protection & Commerce and Higher Education.



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

Josh Green M.D.

JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



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The Twenty-fourth Legislature

HSCR 1135-08

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 108	Committee Referral: HLT, CPC/HED	Date: 3-12-08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (C)	✓			
2. MIZUNO, John (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen Leinani		✗	✓	
4. BELATTI, Della Au			✓	
5. BERTRAM, Joe, III	✓			
6. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.			✓	
7. RHOADS, Karl			✓	
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				✓
10. WARD, Gene, Ph.D.	✓			
TOTAL (10)	5		4	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>John M. Leppa</u>				
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