

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 467

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 19, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1209
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 1209
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTISTRY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure people receive safe
dental care by a licensed dental practitioner by redefining the
practice of dentistry to include tooth whitening.

The Board of Dental Examiners, Hawaii Dental Association, and
numerous concerned individuals supported this bill. The
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and its Regulated
Industries Complaints Office submitted comments.


Your Committee has amended this bill by, among other things:

- (1) Clarifying that dentistry includes any phase of any
operation involving teeth whitening, including the
instruction or application of teeth whitening materials;
and
- (2) Inserting a definition of "teeth whitening."



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. 1209, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1209, 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,



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



