

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**3039**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 1 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2083  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2083, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILK LABELING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require milk beverages containing one hundred per cent by weight of milk or soy milk distributed or offered for sale in this State to be labeled with the date the contents were pasteurized or packaged for distribution or sale.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Teamsters Local 996. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by the Department of Health and the Department of Agriculture. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that knowing the age of food, including milk, is an integral part of being an informed consumer and is consistent with our island fresh campaign to encourage consumers to support local farmers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a purpose section to clarify the intent of this measure;



- (2) Removing references to soy milk;
- (3) Placing the new section in chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, rather than chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, so that the Department of Health rather than the Department of Agriculture administers the labeling requirement;
- (4) Applying the labeling requirement to milk pasteurized in Hawaii; and
- (5) Changing the effective date of this measure to January 1, 2011.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2083, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2083, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Commerce and  
Consumer Protection,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection**  
**CPN**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:			
HB 2083 HDI SDI	WTL, CPN	3/31/10			
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311		<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310	<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused	
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓				
IGE, David Y. (VC)	✓				
ESPERO, Will	✓				
GREEN, M.D., Josh		✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les				✓	
SAKAMOTO, Norman				✓	
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓	
<b>TOTAL</b>	3	1		3	
Recommendation:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted			
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
					
Distribution:					
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