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Tuesday, March 23, 2010 @ 9:45 a.m. in CR 229

To: Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator David & Ige, Vice Chair

By: Richard C. Botti, President
Lauren Zirbel, Government Relations

Re: HB2083, HD1 SD1 RELATING TO MILK LABELING

Chairs & Committee Members:

The federal Interstate Commerce Act is a controlling component to the milk labeling regulations in the United States. Although each state is responsible for enforcing the law and regulations of the labeling requirements and is given leeway to expand upon them, that discretion can result in a patchwork of rules from state to state which ultimately may run in contradiction with the Interstate Commerce Act.

In serving the best interest for the State, the Legislature should adopt a joint resolution urging the federal Food and Drug Administration to revisit its labeling guidelines.

Based on this, we oppose this bill.

The Energy Values Of Different Materials When Incinerated*

Material	**BTU per pound
Plastics	11,000-20,000
Rubber	10,900
Newspaper	8,000
Corrugated Boxes (paper)	7,000
Yard Wastes	3,000
Food Wastes	2,600
Average for MSW	4,500-4,800

