

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 7, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2457
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2457
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTAL HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to take proactive steps to
prevent tooth decay among Hawaii's children by:

- (1) Requiring the Director of Health to participate in the
National Oral Health Surveillance System; and
- (2) Requiring the Department of Health to, among other
things:
 - (A) Establish, or enter into partnerships or agreements
to administer, a school-based dental sealant
program in a high-need demonstration school, and
appropriating funds for this purpose; and
 - (B) Submit a report to the Legislature prior to the
2015 Regular Session detailing its efforts to
prioritize prevention of tooth decay among children
in the State.

The Department of Health, Department of Education, State
Council on Developmental Disabilities, Good Beginnings Alliance,
Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association, The Pew Children's Dental

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Campaign, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. Two individuals opposed this measure. Hawaii Dental Association and Hawaii Primary Care Association commented on this measure.

Your Committee amended this bill by changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

Should the subsequent committees consider this measure, your Committee respectfully requests them to consider an appropriation amount of \$200,000 for the Department of Health to establish, or enter into partnerships or agreements to administer, a school-based dental sealant program in a high-need demonstration school.

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. 2457, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2457, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Education.

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



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 2457</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HLT, EDN, FIN</i>	Date: <i>2/5/14</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input 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. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	✓			
9. WOODSON, Justin H.				✓
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
TOTAL (10)	9			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; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u></u>				
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