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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB2688 SD2
RELATING TO THE SALE OF E-LIQUID**

REPRESENTATIVE DELLA AU BELATTI, CHAIR
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Hearing Date: Mon, March 14, 2016 2:15pm Room Number: 329

- 1 **Fiscal Implications:** None to the Department of Health.
- 2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (DOH) supports SB2688 SD2 to protect
- 3 children from exposure to nicotine and other hazardous ingredients found in e-liquid products.
- 4 This measure also provides a warning label requirement that informs consumers about the
- 5 contents of the containers.

- 6 SB2688 SD2 strengthens the warning label language to specifically reflect the harms caused by
- 7 intentional exposure to the products' contents. The addition of a new section on e-liquid
- 8 packaging standards and expanded definition of hazardous substances that includes e-liquids to
- 9 HRS Chapter 330C, Hawaii Poison Prevention Act, will make Hawaii current law consistent
- 10 with the proposed measure.

- 11 Under the new federal Child Nicotine Poisoning Prevention Act, which was signed into law by
- 12 President Obama in January of this year, liquid nicotine can only be sold in child-resistant bottles
- 13 and containers that are packaged to meet the same standards as set forth in the Poison Prevention
- 14 Packaging Act of 1970. While this law provides a strong first level of safety regulation for e-
- 15 liquid manufacturing, it lacks a warning label requirement which would make explicit the
- 16 dangers of the products' contents. The addition of labeling through the Food and Drug
- 17 Administration could take years to enact. SB2688 SD2, if enacted, would proactively strengthen
- 18 Hawaii requirements to protect children and residents against poisoning from the nicotine
- 19 contents of e-cigarettes or electronic smoking devices (ESDs).

1 Liquid nicotine poisoning especially among children has been a highly publicized problem in the
2 United States. Between 2013-2015, the Hawaii Poison Center received calls about 39 children
3 less than 6 years old for unintentional liquid nicotine exposure. Most (69%) were less than 2
4 years old. Almost half were treated in a hospital emergency department. With the average
5 hospital emergency charge estimated to be \$955.00. This represents a significant financial
6 burden for parents and insurers.

7 Nicotine, depending on the concentration can be extremely dangerous¹. For any age,
8 unintentional exposure to nicotine by swallowing or contact with the skin can result in nausea
9 and vomiting, respiratory arrest, seizures, or even death². A small dose of nicotine can be
10 hazardous to children. One milliliter of nicotine fluid can equal the amount of nicotine in one
11 cigarette, which is enough to cause severe reaction in a child. Children are especially vulnerable
12 given they are often drawn to the products due to their attractive packaging and kid-friendly
13 flavors.^{3,4}

14 SB2688 SD2 reinforces current research that liquid nicotine products carry warnings that are
15 understandable, conspicuous and salient to the user⁵, reflecting the hazardous or potentially lethal
16 nature of the products. Otherwise, these products may appear as benign and marketed to be
17 visually appealing to vulnerable populations.

¹ *Electronic Cigarettes and Liquid Nicotine Data- December 31, 2015*(Rep.). (n.d.). Retrieved February 3, 2016, from American Association of Poison Control Centers website: https://aapcc.s3.amazonaws.com/files/library/E-cig_Nicotine_Web_Data_through_12.2015.pdf

² Stanton Glantz, *Child Resistant Packaging of Electronic Cigarette Devices and Refill Liquid to Prevent Child Poisoning*, Center for Tobacco Control Research & Education (July 8, 2014) Retrieved February 3, 2016, from <https://tobacco.ucsf.edu/child-resistant-packaging-electronic-cigarette-devices-and-refill-liquid-containers-containing-nicot>

³ Press Release, American Association of Poison Control Centers (AAPCC) and Poison Centers Issue Warning About Electronic Cigarettes and Liquid Nicotine (Mar. 25, 2014), available at <http://www.aapcc.org/press/29>.

⁴ *Policy Approaches to Prevent Liquid Nicotine Poisonings* (Issue brief). (n.d.). Retrieved February 3, 2016, from Tobacco Control Legal Consortium website: <http://publichealthlawcenter.org/sites/default/files/resources/tclc-fs-e-liquid-nicotine-poisonings-2015.pdf>

⁵ *Nicotine Exposure Warnings and Child-Resistant Packaging for Liquid Nicotine, Nicotine-Containing E-Liquid(s), and Other Tobacco Products; Request for Comments*. (2015, August 12). Retrieved February 3, 2016, from University of California San Francisco Center for Tobacco Control and Research website: https://tobacco.ucsf.edu/sites/tobacco.ucsf.edu/files/u9/Liquid_nicotine_public_comment-1jz-8kin-qyu8.pdf

- 1 Accidental ingestion continues to be a real threat to the health and safety of Hawaii's children
- 2 and families. The Department of Health supports this bill to heighten consumer awareness about
- 3 the toxicity of e-products and proactively prevent children and consumers from accidental
- 4 ingestion, injury, and even death.

- 5 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Written Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Health
March 14, 2016 at 2:15 p.m.

By

Robert Bley-Vroman, Chancellor

and

Jerris Hedges, MD, MS, MMM

Dean, John A. Burns School of Medicine
Interim Director, University of Hawaii Cancer Center
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

SB 2688 SD2 – RELATING TO THE SALE OF E-LIQUID

Chair Belatti, Vice Chair Creagan, and Members of the Committee:

The University of Hawai'i Cancer Center strongly supports this bill.

The UH Cancer Center is one of only 69 institutions in the United States that hold the prestigious National Cancer Institute (NCI) designation, and is the only NCI-designated center in the Pacific. The NCI designation provides cancer researchers in Hawai'i with greater access to federal funding and research opportunities. More importantly, it gives the people of Hawai'i and the Pacific region access to many innovative and potentially life-saving clinical trials without the necessity of traveling to the mainland.

Our passion at the UH Cancer Center is to be a world leader in eliminating cancer through research, education, and improved patient care. Because tobacco consumption is a leading preventable cause of cancer, we take all issues related to tobacco in Hawai'i very seriously. Whereas the UH Cancer Center always has supported strong tobacco control measures in Hawai'i, the recent emergence of electronic smoking devices (e-cigarettes) presents new challenges for tobacco control and tobacco-related legislation. To address these challenges, UH Cancer Center researchers have been actively involved in conducting studies about cigarette smoking and e-cigarette use among adolescents in Hawai'i, a vulnerable population for initiation of both cigarette smoking and e-cigarette use.

The UH Cancer Center perspective on electronic smoking devices is informed by data recently obtained from Hawaii adolescents and young adults who are participants in original research conducted by our own faculty. Research conducted in Hawai'i high schools by Thomas Wills, PhD, has confirmed that rates of e-cigarette use by Hawai'i adolescents are at least double the rate of e-cigarette use observed in studies of mainland adolescents. Furthermore, his study published in the peer-reviewed journal *Pediatrics* clarified a reason why e-cigarette use is growing nationally among teens,

as his data suggest that e-cigarettes may be operating to recruit lower-risk adolescents to smoking. And recently Pallav Pokhrel, PhD, and Thaddeus Herzog, PhD, published on the topic of e-cigarettes and motivation to quit smoking. Drs. Pokhrel and Herzog also assessed differences between smokers who used e-cigarettes to quit versus those who used FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapy. Additionally, these researchers have published on the effects of e-cigarette marketing on harm perceptions, as well as e-cigarette use expectancies and their impact on e-cigarette use among young adults.

This research is vital to gaining an evidence-based understanding of what drives acceptance of this emerging technology, what users believe regarding its safety, and what the consequences are for adolescents, whose brains are particularly susceptible to nicotine.

We have also learned that the potential for electronic smoking devices to be used as drug delivery devices for substances other than nicotine exists. Electronic smoking devices and the various liquids offered on the market are attractively packaged so as to be enticing to adolescents and children. Not only is nicotine potentially poisonous, the liquids in the e-liquid containers can also pose serious health risks to children. Packaging e-liquid in child-resistant packages and placing warning labels on those packages would reduce potential health risks to children.

We respectfully urge you to pass this bill.



Date: March 11, 2016

To: The Honorable Della Au Belatti, Chair
The Honorable Richard Creagan, Vice Chair
Members of the House Committee on Health

From: Trish La Chica, Policy and Advocacy Director, Hawai'i Public Health Institute

Re: **STRONG SUPPORT for SB2688, SD2 Relating to the Sale of E-Liquid**

Hrg: March 14, 2016 at 2:15pm at Conference Room 329

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of SB2688, SD2 which prohibits the sale of e-liquid used for electronic smoking devices (ESDs) unless the container is in child-resistant packaging and labeled with appropriate warning language.

The Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i (Coalition) is a program of the Hawai'i Public Health Institute (HIPHI) that is dedicated to reducing tobacco use through education, policy, and advocacy. With nearly two decades of history in Hawai'i, the Coalition has led several campaigns on enacting smoke-free environments, including being the first state in the nation to prohibit the sale of tobacco and electronic smoking devices to purchasers under 21 years of age.

On January 28, 2016, President Obama signed and enacted The Child and Nicotine Poisoning Prevention Act of 2015ⁱ, which requires all liquid nicotine containers used for e-cigarettes and other vaping devices to be sold in child-resistant packaging. However, **this law does not require the inclusion of warning labels, which the Coalition strongly recommends.**

There is growing concern over child poisoning cases related to e-cigarettes, which increased tenfold between 2011 and 2014 and totaled more than 3,067 in 2015ⁱⁱ, as well as the death of a 1-year-old boy who died after drinking from an e-liquid bottle left on a dining room tableⁱⁱⁱ. Just a teaspoon of liquid nicotine can be toxic, and e-liquids are offered in kid-friendly flavors such as gummy bear, vanilla cupcake, and banana split, that often look and smell like candy.

Compared to other tobacco products, ESDs are not regulated. In Hawai'i, they have no warning labels. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), World Health Organization (WHO), U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration have not approved ESDs as a safe and effective smoking cessation device.



While the federal legislation is an important step in increasing the safety of e-cigarettes and other electronic smoking devices, safety issues still abound, with reports of toxic e-liquid flavorings causing harm to lungs when inhaled^{iv}, e-cigarettes spontaneously exploding^v, and the exposure to nicotine, a highly addictive substance^{vi}.

The Coalition urges you to protect our children from exposure and accidental ingestion of toxic e-liquid. We also support the inclusion of warning labels to educate the public on poisonous nicotine as well as the enforcement of current tobacco selling laws.

We strongly support SB2688, SD2 and urge you to pass this measure out of committee.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trish".

Trish La Chica
Policy and Advocacy Director

ⁱ Child Nicotine Poisoning Prevention Act of 2015. <https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/114/s142>

ⁱⁱ American Association of Poison Control Centers. E-cigarettes and liquid nicotine. American Association of Poison Control Centers. Retrieved from <http://www.aapcc.org/alerts/e-cigarettes/>

ⁱⁱⁱ "First Child's Death From Liquid Nicotine Reported as 'Vaping' Gains Popularity" 12 Dec 2014.

<http://abcnews.go.com/Health/childs-death-liquid-nicotine-reported-vaping-gains-popularity/story?id=27563788>

^{iv} "E-Cigarette Flavorings Can Be Toxic to Lung Cells" 18 May 2015. <https://www.healthline.com/health-news/e-cigarette-flavorings-can-be-toxic-to-lung-cells-051815>

^v "Man Suffers Severe Injuries After E-Cigarette Explodes in His Mouth" 15 Feb 2012.

<http://abcnews.go.com/Health/electric-cigarette-explodes-fla-mans-face/story?id=15645605>

^{vi} U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "E-cigarette use triples among middle and high school students in just one year." 16 April 2015. <http://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2015/p0416-e-cigarette-use.html>



March 14, 2016

To: The Honorable Representative Della Au Belatti, Chair
The Honorable Representative Richard P. Creagan, Vice Chair
Members, House Committee on Health

From: Cory Smith, VOLCANO Fine Electronic
Cigarettes®
CEO and Owner

RE: SB2688 SD2 – Support with Amendments.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

VOLCANO Fine Electronic Cigarettes® is the largest manufacturer and retailer of vapor products and vaping accessories in the State of Hawaii. We currently own and operate 11 locations statewide and employ over 70 full-time workers to support sales of our products not only here in Hawaii, but to all 50 states as well as over 30 International countries.

We stand in support of SB2688 SD2 and the requirement that e-liquid products should be sold with necessary child resistant measures and proper warnings. However, the labeling requirement as stated in the bill should be amended to prove workable and fair.

- **President Obama has already signed into law the Child Nicotine Poisoning Prevention Act of 2015 requiring at the federal level that all e-liquid containers sold in the US have child-resistant caps. This law would supersede any law passed in the state and has already accomplished what this bill is set to do.**
- **We have manufactured and retailed our own brand of e-liquids with Childproof caps, California Proposition 65 warnings and general nicotine usage and warning information since as early as 2009.** We, along with the rest of vapor industry, have self regulated those measures and we firmly believe in maintaining a high level of safety and quality and are pleased to see this legislature taking steps to make sure these measures become a state mandated requirement.
- Requiring “Not for sale to persons under 21 years of age” and “For Help Call the Hawaii Poison Center – 808-222-1222” to be included on the label is only accurate in Hawaii and does not recognize the fact that VOLCANO, along with several other Hawaii based manufacturers, sell products outside of the state. Hawaii is currently the only state restricting sales of e-liquid to persons between the ages of 18-21. However our sales are not limited to just the State of Hawaii. We also export our e-liquids to all 50 states and



some 30 other countries. **As such, we suggest a change of wording to “Underage Sale Prohibited” or “Not For Sale Minors”.** We do not agree with requiring a local poison control center number for the same reason. These narrow labeling requirements do not allow flexibility for the product to be sold in different retail markets where state laws may vary and retain its eligibility to be sold without a conflict on packaging.

- **It is also important to note that the majority of e-liquid retailers in Hawaii are not manufacturers and are merely importers, thus they do not have control over the products packaging and labeling. These stringent and narrow warning guidelines will result in most retailers being unable to carry any e-liquid.**
- The warning requirement “This product is not FDA Approved” is incorrect since vapor products are not currently under FDA authority. The FDA’s Deeming Regulations, which would give them authority over vapor products, have not been approved by the Office of Management and Budget yet. Therefore, at this time, e-liquid products do not require FDA approval to be marketed or sold in the United States and thus are not legally required to be labeled as such. **Requiring this warning would raise significant state and federal legal issues.**

We hope that you will consider our amendments and will make the necessary changes to the warning language to make this bill a successful one. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Devin Wolery	Hawaii Vapers United	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Do exactly what you did for HB1950 Federal Law has already been changed for this. You do not need to do ANYTHING further.

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Hearing on 3-14-16

Testimony in Opposition to Senate Bill 2688

Dear House Hawaii State House Health Committee,

We are writing in OPPOSITION to SB2688. **There is no need to waste legislative time on bill SB2688 since President Obama has recently signed that type of legislation on a Federal level.**

Shown Here:

"Public Law No: 114-116 (01/28/2016) **S. 142**

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 10, 2015. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Child Nicotine Poisoning Prevention Act of 2015

(Sec. 2) This bill requires any nicotine provided in a liquid nicotine container sold, offered for sale, manufactured for sale, distributed in commerce, or imported into the United States to be packaged in accordance with the Consumer Product Safety Commission's (CPSC's) standards and testing procedures for special packaging that is difficult for children under five years of age to open or to obtain harmful contents from. The requirement must be treated as a standard for the special packaging of a household substance under the Poison Prevention Packaging Act of 1970.

"Liquid nicotine container" is defined to: (1) include a package from which nicotine in a solution or other form is accessible through normal and foreseeable use by a consumer and that is used to hold soluble nicotine in any concentration; and (2) exclude a sealed, pre-filled, and disposable container of nicotine in a solution or other form in which such container is inserted directly into an electronic cigarette, electronic nicotine delivery system, or other similar product, if the nicotine in the container is inaccessible through customary or reasonably foreseeable handling or use, including reasonably foreseeable ingestion or other contact by children.

The bill applies to any form of chemical nicotine, including any salt or complex, regardless of whether the chemical is naturally or synthetically derived.

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) must consult with the CPSC if HHS maintains, enforces, imposes, or continues in effect any packaging requirement for liquid nicotine containers, including a child-resistant packaging requirement. "

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/142>

Sincerely,

Michael Zehner, Co-chair of the Hawaii Smokers Alliance.

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Robin Fujiwaki	Individual	Oppose	No

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P Kuromoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This legislation is unnecessary and unscientific. Federal regulation already covers packaging requirements. Furthermore, dilute nicotine solutions as used in vapor devices are lower risk than this legislation tries to portray. These solutions are too dilute to be a high risk to cause "substantial personal injury or substantial illness" and never have, despite millions of users in the country.

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Jake J. Watkins	Individual	Oppose	No

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Dominick Lankford	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I don't understand why you would prohibit the sale of eliquid unless it's in a childproof container. It isn't a poisonous liquid. it's honestly all healthy with minimal nicotine it's practically harmless. I do not agree with this Bill and OPPOSE anything regarding this

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My name is Jess Lovely. I'm a registered voter and a resident of Kihei, HI. I strongly oppose the taxation of e-liquid in Hawaii! Raising prices on e-liquid only forces people to continue smoking. E-cigarettes are essentially just diffusers much like the ones used in spas. They diffuse a vegetable glycerin based liquid with or without nicotine, and food flavorings. They are worse case scenario 93% better then smoking. This product has helped millions of people quit deadly tobacco and a mega price increase from tax would make it too expensive for many people. Forcing e-cigarette users back to tobacco use to feed their nicotine habit would only cost the state and federal government more money in healthcare costs! I strongly oppose the proposed tax on e-liquid and hope that you will take my letter into consideration.

Thank you,

Jess Lovely.

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