

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 1, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1711
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health & Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 1711 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to promote healthy meal options and limit sugar for children by establishing default beverages offered with children's meals when the food and beverage are sold together for a single price at restaurants.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Department of Health; Hawaii Public Health Association; American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network; American Diabetes Association; Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association; Hawaii Children's Action Network; Hawaii Public Health Institute; American Heart Association; Hawaii Primary Care Association; Hawaii Pacific Health; Blue Zones Project; Maui County Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawaii; Maui School Garden Network; Papa Ola Lokahi; and numerous individuals testified in support. The Hawaii Restaurant Association and Ka Ohana O Na Pua offered comments.

Your Committee notes that concerns were raised by the Department of Health and they recommended that the enforcement provision of the bill on page 4, lines 7-11 should be removed.



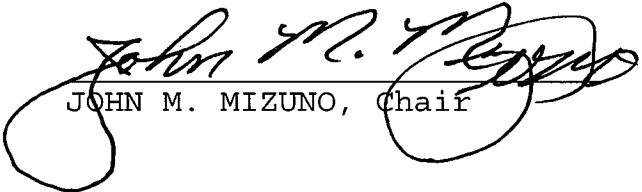
Your Committee accepted this recommendation from the Department of Health.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Removing the enforcement language which enabled the Department of Health to issue fines for violations of the measure; and
- (2) Amending the effective date to July 1, 3000, to promote further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health & Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1711, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1711, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health & Human
Services,


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



