

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1395

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2019

RE: H.B. No. 704  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,  
to which was referred H.B. No. 704, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COSMETICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit  
manufacturers from importing or selling any cosmetic product  
tested on animals, on or after January 1, 2021, with certain  
exceptions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Humane Society of the United States, Cruelty Free  
International, Animal Rights Hawai'i, West Hawaii Humane Society,  
Down to Earth Organic and Natural, and eight individuals. Your  
Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from  
the Personal Care Products Council. Your Committee received  
comments on this measure from Retail Merchants of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that testing cosmetics on animals is  
cruel and increasingly unnecessary, as there are now thousands of  
cosmetic ingredients whose effects have already been tested and  
compiled. Your Committee further finds that alternatives to  
animal testing are available, some of which provide better  
predictors of adverse human reactions to new chemical compounds  
than animal testing. Your Committee notes that the prohibition on



the sale of cosmetics tested on animals included in this measure is not unique, as similar prohibitions have already been adopted by California and the European Union.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that manufacturers may continue to use non-cosmetic animal testing data; provided that the test data was compiled prior to the effective date of this measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 704, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 704, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.

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



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ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



