

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3381**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2301
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2301, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LITTER CONTROL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to abate cigarette litter in the State.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes a cigarette litter abatement special fund, which shall be used to cover the costs of collecting and removing cigarette litter and providing outreach and education to curb improper cigarette litter disposal;
- (2) Establishes a cigarette litter abatement excise tax of an unspecified amount, the revenues of which are to be deposited into the cigarette litter abatement special fund; and
- (3) Appropriates moneys to the cigarette litter abatement special fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawaii and seven individuals.



Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii Smokers Alliance and numerous individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance, Department of Health, Department of Taxation, and Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that cigarettes are the most littered item on earth, with more than forty-five trillion cigarettes littered each year. Your Committee also finds that littered cigarette butts pose an environmental hazard, can contaminate water, and are harmful to wildlife. Your Committee further finds that cities annually spend between \$3,000,000 and \$16,000,000 to clean up cigarette litter.

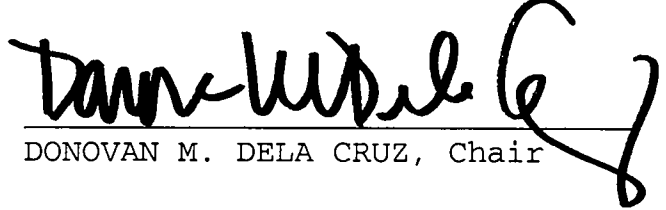
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the provisions establishing a cigarette litter abatement excise tax;
- (2) Increasing to an unspecified amount the existing cigarette excise tax and allocating the increase in tax revenues to the cigarette litter abatement special fund;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (4) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2301, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2301, S.D. 2.




Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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| Bill / Resolution No.:* | Committee Referral: | Date: | | |
| <i>SB 2301, SD 1</i> | <i>AEN/CPH, WAM</i> | <i>2/25/20</i> | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____ | | | | |
| The Recommendation is: | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 | | | | |
| Members | Aye | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
| DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C) | X | | | |
| KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC) | X | | | |
| ENGLISH, J. Kalani | X | | | |
| HARIMOTO, Breene | | | | X |
| INOUYE, Lorraine R. | | | | X |
| KAHELE, Kaiali'i | | | | X |
| KANUHA, Dru Mamo | X | | | |
| KIDANI, Michelle N. | X | | | |
| MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. | X | | | |
| RIVIERE, Gil | | X | | |
| SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. | X | | | |
| TANIGUCHI, Brian T. | X | | | |
| FEVELLA, Kurt | X | | | |
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| Recommendation: | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature: | | | | |
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