

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2544

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 20 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2408
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 2408 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit smoking in and around public housing projects under the jurisdiction of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i and an individual who is a Hawaii Public Housing Authority tenant. Four individuals provided oral testimony in support of this measure. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by the Hawaii Smokers Alliance and two individuals. Comments on the measure were submitted by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority which expressed reservations regarding the difficulty of enforcing the measure.

Your Committee finds that while there is support for a smoking ban in the common areas of public housing projects, the ban on smoking within individual housing units may not be enforceable, and does not have equally wide support.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by eliminating the provision that would have banned smoking in individual housing units.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2408, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2408, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.


Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services and
Public Housing,


SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing
HSP

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 2408	HSP,	1/29/08		
<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
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.				✓
SAKAMOTO, Norman				✓
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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