

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI
POLICY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

November 20, 2015

Committee
Report No. _____

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, having met on October 12, 2015, makes reference to County Communication 15-158, from Presiding Officer Pro Tempore Michael P. Victorino, relating to matters pertaining to the Maui County Legislative Package.

Your Committee notes the Council may present proposed State bills approved for inclusion in the 2016 Maui County Legislative Package ("Package") for introduction at the start of the 2016 State Legislative Session.

By correspondence dated September 17, 2015, Councilmember Elle Cochran transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL PROHIBITING SMOKING IN MOTOR VEHICLES OCCUPIED BY MINORS." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize for inclusion in the Package a proposed State bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SMOKING." The purpose of the proposed bill is to prohibit smoking in vehicles occupied by minors.

By correspondence dated September 21, 2015, Councilmember Elle Cochran transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL TO ALLOW PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO INDICATE ON THEIR IDENTIFICATION CARDS THEIR DISABILITY." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize for inclusion in the Package a proposed State bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES." The

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purpose of the proposed bill is to allow individuals to indicate their disabilities on State identification cards.

By correspondence dated September 21, 2015, Councilmember Robert Carroll transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL THAT PROHIBITS THE SALE OF MARINE LIFE SECURED BY A SPEAR." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize for inclusion in the Package a proposed State bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES." The purpose of the proposed bill is to prohibit the sale of marine life secured by use of a spear.

By correspondence dated September 25, 2015, Councilmember Gladys C. Baisa transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL AUTHORIZING COUNTY LIQUOR COMMISSIONS TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR ALCOHOL ABUSE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize for inclusion in the Package a proposed State bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR." The purpose of the proposed bill is to authorize county liquor commissions to provide funding for alcohol abuse treatment and prevention, in addition to education and enforcement, within their respective counties.

Your Committee noted the proposed bill to ban smoking in vehicles occupied by minors is a step toward safeguarding the health of youth. Your Committee discussed the challenge of enforcing such a law, but decided evidence of the dangers of secondhand smoke warranted enactment of the proposed legislation and would send a strong message to adult smokers.

Your Committee noted the proposed bill allowing individuals the choice to have their disabilities stated on state identification cards could provide qualified persons more convenient access to certain public

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services and provide relevant information to medical personnel in case of emergency.

Your Committee supported the proposed bill banning the sale of marine life taken by spear. Your Committee noted protection is needed for Hawaii's threatened marine resources.

Your Committee discussed the problem of alcohol abuse in the County and its relationship to crime. Your Committee noted the proposed bill to authorize liquor commissions to provide funding for alcohol abuse treatment and prevention could expand treatment options to residents. Your Committee noted the authorization would require money from fines and license fees to be set aside for this purpose.

Your Committee voted 6-2 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution to include in the Package a bill for an Act prohibiting smoking in vehicles occupied by minors. Committee Chair Victorino and members Baisa, Carroll, Cochran, Crivello, and White voted "aye." Committee Vice-Chair Couch and member Hokama voted "no." Committee member Guzman was excused.

Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution to include in the Package a bill for an Act allowing people with disabilities to have their disability noted on their identification card. Committee Chair Victorino, Vice-Chair Couch, and members Baisa, Carroll, Cochran, Crivello, Hokama, and White voted "aye." Committee member Guzman was excused.

Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution to include in the Package a bill for an Act prohibiting the sale of marine life secured by spear. Committee Chair Victorino, Vice-Chair Couch, and members Baisa, Carroll, Cochran, Crivello, Hokama, and White voted "aye." Committee member Guzman was excused.

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Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution to include in the package a bill for an Act authorizing county liquor commissions to provide funding for alcohol abuse treatment and prevention. Committee Chair Victorino, Vice-Chair Couch, and members Baisa, Carroll, Cochran, Crivello, Hokama, and White voted "aye." Committee member Guzman was excused.

Your Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL PROHIBITING SMOKING IN MOTOR VEHICLES OCCUPIED BY MINORS," be ADOPTED;
2. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL TO ALLOW PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO INDICATE ON THEIR IDENTIFICATION CARDS THEIR DISABILITY," be ADOPTED;
3. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL THAT PROHIBITS THE SALE OF MARINE LIFE SECURED BY A SPEAR," be ADOPTED; and
4. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL AUTHORIZING COUNTY LIQUOR COMMISSIONS TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR ALCOHOL ABUSE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION," be ADOPTED.

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This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.



MICHAEL P. VICTORINO, Chair

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