

Legislative Committee Update

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Overall Activity

- Committee meetings January 20th and February 24th
- 22 written testimonies submitted for 9 bills
- **Legislative focus included:**
 - Tobacco and vaping
 - Expanding scope of practice for PAs and APRNs in order to expand access to care
 - Protection of reproductive health access and rights in the state
 - DOE to stock bronchodilators for trained persons to administer at school for emergency use during an asthma attack
 - Extend the sunset date for the early lung cancer screening task force and extend the date for the task force to submit reports to the legislature
- **Member or Community Organizations Engagement (organizations who had active outreach to HPHA for legislative support)**
 - Hawaii Public Health Institute
 - Hawaii Academy of PAs (and the state medical board via the Hawaii Academy of PAs)
 - Hawaii State Center for Nursing
 - American Lung Association, Hawaii Chapter

2023 Testimony submitted to date & Alignment with Member Priority Areas for Bills that were enrolled to the Governor

	Legislative Focus	Advocacy Priority Areas
SB975	Establishes criminal offense of unlawful shipment of tobaccos products. Amends the definition of tobacco products to include electronic smoking devices	Tobacco use
SB599	Expands the class of healthcare providers under whom respiratory therapists may practice respiratory care to include physician assistants and advanced registered nurses	Healthcare access
SB1 SD1	Increases access to abortion care by PA and APRNs; prohibits covered entity from releasing information related to reproductive health care services; prohibits the issuance of a subpoena in connection with out-of-state or interstate proceeding related to reproductive health care services legally permitted in the State; prohibits agencies from providing information for out-of-state investigations or legal proceedings; prohibits the state from taking adverse actions on pregnancy outcomes or assisting an individual with accessing reproductive health care services; requires the Governor to deny any demand for surrender of a person charged with a crime involving reproductive health care services unless the conduct constitutes a crime in the State.	Healthcare access

2023 Testimony submitted to date & Alignment with Member Priority Areas

– for Bills that did not pass

	Legislative Focus	Advocacy Priority Areas
HB1448	Authorizes the DOE to stock bronchodilators for trained persons to administer at school for emergency use during an asthma attack- HR210 and HCR206 were not adopted	Healthcare access
SB1443	Authorizes the DOE to stock bronchodilators for trained persons to administer at school for emergency use during an asthma attack	Healthcare access
HB664	Expands the class of healthcare providers under whom respiratory therapists may practice respiratory care to include physician assistants and advanced registered nurses-	Healthcare access
HB1449	Amends Act 162, SLH 2022, to extend the sunset date for the early lung cancer screening task force and extend the date for the task force to submit reports to the legislature. - HR211 & HCR 207 was adopted	DEI (health disparities)
HB551	Prohibits sale of flavored tobacco products	Tobacco use with focus on epidemic of youth vaping
HB537	Establishes tax of 70% for electronic smoking devices and e-liquid products. Expands electronic smoking device retailer registration to wholesalers.	Tobacco use with focus on epidemic of youth vaping

Bills followed by/ interested expressed by members from the legislative committee, but testimony was not drafted or submitted

Enrolled to Governor

- SB109 Relating to Gender-Neutral terminology in adoption and divorce matters
- SB944 Extends and modifies the task force established to recommend amendments to update existing parentage laws that reflect outdated, cisheteronormative concepts of families, parenthood, and parental rights to December 31, 2024.

Did not pass

- B100 Relating to Gender-Neutral terminology in adoption and divorce matters
- SB891 Relating to Menstrual Products- Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to provide menstrual products at no cost in specified restrooms of public buildings maintained by that department
- HB1393 Establishes certain parental rights. Prohibits the State and counties from enacting any rules, regulations, or laws that infringe upon these parental rights.