

# #108

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## Page 1: Contact Information

**Q1**

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## Page 2: Contest Information

**Q2**

Contest

**State House**

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## Page 3: District - State Senate

**Q3**

Senate District

**Respondent skipped this question**

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## Page 4: District - State House

**Q4**

House District

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## Page 5: District - Hawai'i County Council

**Q5**

District

**Respondent skipped this question**

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## Page 6: Residency Area - Maui County Council

**Q6** Respondent skipped this question

Residency area

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Page 7: District - Honolulu City Council

**Q7** Respondent skipped this question

District

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Page 8: Economic Stability & Kūpuna

**Q8**  
Creation of a statewide Paid Family Leave Social Insurance Program, to allow up to 12 weeks of paid leave for employees to provide care for a newborn, bond with a new child, or care for a family member with a serious health condition.

Position **Support**

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**Q9**  
Allocating funds and other resources to improve access to, quality of, and coverage for home-and-community-based services that support aging in place among older adults.

Position **Strongly Support**

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**Q10**  
Allocating funds and other resources to bolster the capacity of kūpuna-serving programs/organizations by increasing workforce training, education, certification, and career development opportunities.

Position **Strongly Support**

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**Q11**  
Providing/increasing tax credits for out-of-pocket caring costs for unpaid family caregivers of kūpuna and/or those with disabilities.

Position **Support**

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**Q12**  
Additional thoughts/comments:

Concerns about where the money will come from prevents me from giving "Strongly Support"

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Page 9: Tobacco Regulations

**Q13**

Regulating e-cigarettes in the same manner as how the State regulates other tobacco products, through tax parity, licensing and permitting requirements, and restricting online sales to licensed sellers only, and not directly to consumers.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q14**

Ending, without exception, the sale of all tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars and e-cigarettes, that contain a characterizing flavor, such as menthol, fruit flavors, and candy flavors.

Position: **Oppose**

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**Q15**

Authorizing counties to enact stricter restrictions on the sale of and access to tobacco products than what is provided at the state level.

Position: **Support**

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**Q16**

Additional thoughts/comments

“Oppose” because consumers can buy online, elsewhere, or find a loophole to purchase? Instead can we place higher tax on those flavored ones? Sorry but I need education on flavored category data that explains and helps me support your concern.

“Authorizing counties” is allowing them freedom to make that choice?

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Page 10: Healthy Eating and Active Living

**Q17**

Setting Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program benchmarks and decreasing barriers to SRTS programming through the creation of an SRTS Advisory Council within the Department of Transportation.

Position: **Oppose**

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**Q18**

Enacting a 2 cent-per-ounce fee on sugar-sweetened beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q19**

Ensuring that every student in Hawai'i at every grade level (PreK-12) has regular access to comprehensive agricultural and nutrition education programs linked to core curriculum (e.g. science, math, language arts).

Position: **Support**

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**Q20**

Increasing state investment for implementation of the Hawai'i Farm to School Program (Act 175, 2021), including meeting the goal of 30% local school food within the Hawai'i Department of Education by 2030.

Position: **Support**

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**Q21**

Additional thoughts/comments:

Support the concern but oppose the method creating more bureaucracy.

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Page 11: Oral Health

**Q22**

Investing in dental workforce education programs on Neighbor Islands.

Position: **Support**

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**Q23**

Allocating funds to the Department of Health to restore an Oral Health Division.

Position: **Support**

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**Q24**

Expanding student loan forgiveness for dentists that provide care to Medicaid patients.

Position: **Support**

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**Q25**

Additional thoughts/comments

Support in general but need more details regarding cost, implementation, and data verifying need and benefits.

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Page 12: Community Health Workforce Development

**Q26**

Establishing a certification process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Support**

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**Q27**

Establishing a licensing process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Support**

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**Q28**

Incorporating Community Health Workers as a profession into Medicaid services and contracts with the State of Hawai'i.

Position: **Support**

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**Q29**

Additional thoughts/comments

Again support in general the initiatives presented, and need supporting information and related data to verify and justify required changes requested.

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Page 13: Alcohol & Cannabis Regulations

**Q30**

Lowering the blood alcohol concentration (BAC) for impaired driving from .08 to .05 BAC.

Position **Support**

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**Q31**

Enacting a dime-per-drink fee on alcoholic beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position **Support**

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**Q32**

Housing the regulatory structure of any legalized recreational cannabis program under Department of Health, rather than other agencies, such as the Department of Taxation.

Position **Support**

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**Q33**

Additional thoughts/comments

Admit I am not as familiar with all of the specifics regarding each question as I would like to be. However I share your position that public health is vital and basic to our society's well being - physically, mentally, emotionally, relationally and financially. I look forward to having conversation with HIPHI, to better learn and support your concerns.

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