

IMPACTS: Bills and Legislation influenced by PIPCHE/U54 in Guam, Hawai'i, and the CNMI

BILLS:

1. [HR 211, "Requesting the Department of Health to Convene and Early Lung Cancer Screening Working Group to Continue the Efforts of the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force Established Pursuant to Act 162, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022"](#) requires the DOH convene an Early Lung Cancer Screening Working Group to continue the efforts of the Early Lung Cancer Screening Task Force established in 2022 to research the steps and resources necessary to increase early lung cancer screening in Hawai'i. A representative from the UH Cancer Center is to be appointed by the Governor as a member of the working group.
2. [SB 2049, "Relating to Cancer Research"](#), awarded \$340,000 to the UH Cancer Center in FY2018–2019 to research factors that may lead to the highest liver and bile duct cancer incidence rates in Hawaii compared to liver and bile duct cancer incidence rates in the U.S. This legislation was prompted by a presentation to the HI State Legislature in 2018 by Drs. Brenda Hernandez, Joe Ramos and Randy Kwee on liver and bile cancer in Hawai'i.
3. [HB19-65, SS1, "To prohibit the sale, offer, or giving Areca Nut \(Betel Nut\) to any person who is under the age of 18 \(minors\); and for other purposes."](#) Passed by the CNMI Legislature August 11, 2016. Public Law No. 19-66 as of September 23, 2016.
4. [Bill 264-32, "An Act Relative to Prohibiting the Sale or Distribution of Electronic Cigarettes to Minors By Adding a New section 6101\(l\) to Article 1, and Amending section 6400 of Article 4, Chapter 6, Title 11 Guam Code Annotated."](#) Introduced by Senator Dennis Rodriguez, Jr. on Jan. 17, 2014 and passed by the Guhan Legislature May 12, 2014.
5. [Bill 206-32, "An Act to amend subsection c of section 26603 of Article 6, Chapter 26 of Title 11, Guam Code Annotated, relative to establishing tax parity between cigarettes and chewing tobacco"](#). Introduced 10/11/13 by Senator B.J. Cruz, public hearing 12/20/13, passed 2/1/14, lapsed into law 2/14/2014. Now Public Law 32-132.
6. [Bill 190-32 \(COR\), "An Act to add a New Chapter 28 to Division 2 of Title 17 Guam Code Annotated relative to the establishment of the Research Corporation, University of Guam \(RCUOG\)"](#). Introduced by Senator B.J. Cruz on Sept. 20, 2013. Passed the Legislature on Feb. 1, 2014.
7. [Bill 12-32 \(COR\), "An Act to amend section 90A101 of chapter 90A102 of Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated relative to the prohibition and sale of candy cigarettes."](#) Introduced by Senator B.J. Cruz on Jan. 11, 2013. Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services.
8. [Bill 188-31 \(LS\), "An Act to add a new section 90114 to Chapter 90, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, Relative to Prohibiting Smoking in a Motor Vehicle When a Child is Present"](#). Introduced by Senator Dennis Rodriguez, Jr. Became Public Law 31-102 on September 11, 2011.
9. [Bill 159-30, "An Act to Add a New Chapter 90A to Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, Relative to the Prohibition of Importing Ingestible tobacco film strips, ingestible tobacco sticks, tobacco hard candies, nicotine lollipops, nicotine lip balm, and nicotine water"](#). Introduced by Senator B.J. Cruz. Became Public Law 30-163 on Jul. 16, 2010.
10. [Bill 150-30\(COR\), "An Act to Amend section 26603\(a\), \(b\), \(c\) and \(d\), and to add a new \(e\), of Article 6, Chapter 26, of Title 11 of the Guam Code Annotated, Relative to Increasing Tobacco](#)

[Taxes, the Healthy Futures Fund, and Creating a Guam Cancer Trust Fund](#)". Became Public Law 30-80 on Feb. 5, 2010.

11. [Bill 101\(COR\), "An Act to Amend section 90105 of Chapter 90, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated; Relative to Smoking Within Twenty \(20\) Feet of an Entrance of a Public Place Where Smoking is Prohibited."](#) Introduced by Senator B.J. Cruz. Became Public Law 30-63 on Nov. 27, 2009.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. [Resolution 211-31 \(COR\), "Relative to requesting for the Obama administration to support, and for the United States to ratify, the World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, and its efforts to address and counteract the global epidemic derived from tobacco use."](#) [September 26, 2011]