July 1, 2015

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 1, 2015, the following bill was signed into law:

SB550 SD1 HD2 RELATING TO HEALTH
ACT 186 (15)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. Chapter 281, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§281- Powdered alcohol. (a) No person shall consume, purchase, possess, sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute powdered alcohol in the State.

(b) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in section 281-102.

(c) As used in this section, "powdered alcohol" means a powdered or crystalline substance that contains any amount of alcohol for either direct use or reconstitution.

(d) This section does not apply to the use of powdered alcohol for legal commercial uses or bona fide research purposes by:

(1) A health care provider who uses powdered alcohol for the purpose of conducting scientific research;
(2) A state institution;

(3) The University of Hawaii, or other accredited educational or research institution; or

(4) A pharmaceutical or biotechnology company."

SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun before its effective date.

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 1 day of JUL, 2015.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII