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March 23, 2009

The Honorable Robert N. Herkes, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce  
The Honorable Jon Riki Karamatsu, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Judiciary  
House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Herkes and Karamatsu and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 967, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, Relating to Controlled Substances

I am Louis Kealoha, captain of the Narcotics/Vice Division of the Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department supports Senate Bill No. 967, S.D. 2, H.D.1, Relating to Controlled Substances.

To ensure consistency in the regulation and enforcement of controlled substances, the Federal Controlled Substances Act is the basis for the classification of all controlled substances. It is the model upon which the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is based. Passage of this bill will ensure that chapter 329 is consistent with the Federal Controlled Substances Act.

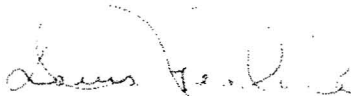
The Honolulu Police Department urges you to support Senate Bill No. 967, S.D. 2, H.D.1, Relating to Controlled Substances.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

Sincerely,

  
BOISSE P. CORREA  
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March 22, 2009

**Representative Robert N. Herkes**  
Chair, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 320

**LATE TESTIMONY**

**Representative Jon Riki Karamatsu**  
Chair, Committee on Judiciary  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 302

**Re: S.B. 967, S.D.2, H.D.1 – Relating to Controlled Substances**  
**Hearing on Monday, March 23, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., Room 325**

Dear Chairs Herkes and Karamatsu and Members of the Joint Committees:

I am Mihoko Ito, an attorney with Goodwill Anderson Quinn & Stifel, testifying on behalf of Walgreen Co. (“Walgreens”). Walgreens operates more than 6,600 locations in 49 states the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Walgreens **supports the intent of S.B. 967, S.D.2, H.D.1** because it makes Hawai‘i’s controlled substance laws consistent with federal law. Specifically, Section 5 of the measure will allow for the transfer of controlled substance prescriptions between pharmacies sharing a real-time, online database. This will allow for inter-island transfer of prescriptions, and enable improved pharmacy service for patients in Hawai‘i.

Walgreens respectfully suggests that the Committee consider amendments to Section 6 of the bill, relating to the identification information required prior to the release of a prescribed controlled substance. Specifically, we would request that Section 6, subsection (6), be revised as follows:

- 1) to allow for the identification of an unknown individual to be documented either in a logbook or in an electronic database, using either an actual signature or electronic data capture device, prior to the pickup of a prescribed controlled substance; and
- 2) to allow for identification verification for mail order prescriptions to be handled through the initial registration process.

These amendments will allow a pharmacist or practitioner the discretion to use one of several methods to verify the identification of a patient, and also bring Hawai‘i’s legislation in line with that of other states.

We note that we are working with the Department of Public Safety, Narcotic Enforcement Division on agreeable language regarding the foregoing amendments, and hope to be able to provide this language as soon as possible.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify.

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