

SB2489

**PRESENTATION OF THE
PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING DIVISION**

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

TWENTY-FIFTH STATE LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2010

Wednesday, February 3, 2010
3:00 p.m.

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2489, RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC
MEDICINE.**

TO THE HONORABLE DAVID Y. IGE, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Dr. Kevin Gibson, member of the Board of Naturopathic Medicine ("Board"). The Board appreciates the opportunity to present testimony on Senate Bill No. 2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine.

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 2489 is to remove the Board's authority to establish the education and training requirements for parenteral therapy and the standards to administer parenteral therapy; establish examination standards for and to require the passage of an examination on minor office procedures; and establish and publish a naturopathic formulary.

The Board has not had the opportunity to meet and establish an official position. However, the Board is scheduled to meet on Friday, February 19, 2010 to discuss Senate Bill No. 2489. Subsequent to the meeting, the Board will be able to report back to you regarding their official position on this bill.

Although the Board has not yet met to discuss this bill, the Board supported the passage of Act 22, special session 2009 (Act 22), which gave the Board the authority to

establish requirements for parenteral therapy and minor office procedures and to establish and publish a naturopathic formulary.

Since the enactment of Act 22, the Board has been actively developing and drafting the education and training requirements for parenteral therapy; standards for parenteral therapy; examination requirements for minor office procedures; and standards of practice, care and ethics. The Board has also established and published a naturopathic formulary that is consistent with naturopathic medical practice.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill No. 2489.



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Written Testimony Presented Before the
Senate Committee on Health

February 3, 2010, 3:00 p.m.

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Senator Ige and colleagues, we wish to speak in support of SB 2489 that removes full prescriptive authority from Naturopathic Practitioners. The public should be aware that the education of Naturopathic Practitioners is quite different from that of Allopathic Physicians – for example, as trained at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, John A. Burns School of Medicine. Although Naturopathic Practitioners have a valuable role to play on the healthcare team, their classroom education is largely limited to undergraduate college-level basic science courses and less than one year of full-time clinical exposure. At this point, the Naturopathic trainee is ready to prescribe whatever medicines are on the state Naturopathic formulary.

In contrast, following a college degree that includes many of the courses taught to Naturopathic Practitioners, the medical student at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, John A. Burns School of Medicine must subsequently complete two full years of graduate level basic science followed by two full years of clinical training in a breadth of clinical settings and practice specialties. Following four years of medical school, the graduate of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, John A. Burns School of Medicine must

complete an additional three to six year residency training program to become licensed and boarded in a specialty area such as internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics-gynecology, psychiatry, pathology, surgery or family medicine. At that point, the Allopathic Physician has full prescribing authority.

In a recently passed bill, Naturopathic Practitioners were given the ability to prescribe not only natural herbal products and vitamins, but also ANY drug that their self-regulated formulary board desired. Antibiotics, cardiac medications, and cancer drugs are strong medications for those with such limited training and clinical experience to prescribe. It would seem prudent, for the safety of the people of Hawai'i, that the legislature either approve a formulary more aligned with the training of these practitioners or modify the Naturopathic formulary board to have a balancing participation by Allopathic Physicians and Pharmacists to address which medicines would be prescribed by Naturopathic Practitioners.

As someone who has served as a preceptor for Naturopathic trainees in my former faculty role in Oregon, I am very aware of the practice strengths and limitations of these allies in healthcare delivery. It is hoped that we can thoughtfully define a formulary that permits the safe practice of Naturopathic Practitioners in Hawai'i.



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Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 3:00 p.m., Conference Room 016

To: Senate Committee on Health
 Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
 Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

From: Hawaii Medical Association
 Gary A. Okamoto, MD, Legislative Co-Chair
 Linda Rasmussen, MD, Legislative Co-Chair
 April Donahue, Executive Director
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Re: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

In Support

Chairs & Committee Members:

Hawaii Medical Association supports SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine. This measure would help ensure the safety of Hawaii patients. Naturopathic medicine, while a sound option for some citizens of our state, is not the same as allopathic (MDs) or osteopathic (DOs) medicine, and has fewer standards and requirements for training and licensure. Prescriptive authority of naturopathic doctors should not be viewed as an access issue, but instead a patient safety issue and should be handled very cautiously.

Compared to medical school and residency training, a naturopathic education consists of relatively few contact hours of study on pharmacological treatment of disease, and provides virtually no clinical reinforcement of pharmaceutical intervention on patients during clinical rotations or optional post-graduate training. One important component to consider in the debate over naturopath prescriptive authority is whether a practitioner with such limited exposure to pharmaceuticals can appropriately treat patients who take prescription medicines regularly or who would likely benefit from pharmacological intervention.

Naturopathic doctors (NDs) are required to take just 7-11 credits of pharmacology and just 850 clock hours of clinical training in patient care. Only one state requires any post-graduate training for NDs (Utah – one year). Only 11 other states allow some prescriptive authority for NDs, and the vast majority are much more limiting than in Hawaii (such as allowing for only natural and homeopathic medicines). Additionally, many of those states require some type of MD or DO involvement, whether at the board level or the individual practitioner level.

For comparison in Hawaii, a joint formulary advisory committee for APRNs requires representation by MDs and/or DOs appointed by the Hawaii Medical Board, while the naturopathic board has no representation at this level of expertise. The same representation should have at a very minimum been required of the naturopathic board to determine formulary, or at least it should be the responsibility of the Hawaii Medical Board. The American Medical Association agrees that Nurse Practitioner or APRN training is in the same vein of evidence-based medicine as MD/DO training. Analysis of ND curriculum, training and text does not lead to the same conclusion.

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There are 36 states that do not license NDs. South Carolina and Tennessee expressly prohibit the practice of naturopathy. Florida abolished its naturopath licensing laws, and in 2004 a legislative committee concluded that an expanded scope might be harmful. Several other states, including Texas and Virginia, have abolished previous naturopathy licensure provisions. Of the 14 states that do license NDs (plus the District of Columbia), most have continuing education requirements, while Hawaii does not.

The concern for patient safety is even more critical in light of the public confusion regarding qualifications of non-MD and non-DO health care practitioners such as naturopathic doctors. It is also important to note that Medicare and Medicaid Hawaii do not reimburse for naturopathic services, and many of Hawaii's health plans do not. ND scope of practice cannot adequately address access to care for the majority of Hawaii's population.

In closing, we ask you to please consider the following facts that highlight the differences in education and training between NDs and MDs/DOs:

Applicant Comparison:

- Applicants to become a Medical Doctor
 - Average GPA: 3.66
 - Average MCAT: 30.9
- Applicants to become a naturopath
 - Average GPA: 2.5-3.0
 - Average MCAT: not required

(Sources: American Association of Medical Colleges, www.aamc.org/data/facts/2008/2008mcatgpa.htm; AMA Scope of Practice Data Series – Naturopaths. September 2009.)

Education Requirements:

- To become an M.D. or D.O.
 - Obtain baccalaureate degree
 - Graduate from a 4-year LCME-approved or COCA-accredited medical school
 - 18 months of hands-on clinical experience
 - Pass all three steps of USMLE exam
 - Complete at least 1-3 years of Graduate Medical Education (varies by state)
- To become a naturopath
 - Two years of basic science + two years of clinical rotations (minimum of 850 hours of patient care over 2-year period)
 - Passing score on NPLEX (2-step exam does not adequately measure clinical competence)
 - Post-graduate training not required, except 1-yr in Utah

(Sources: "Comparison of U.S. Allopathic/Osteopathic Educational Requirements." American Medical Association; AMA Scope of Practice Data Series – Naturopaths. September 2009; Council on Naturopathic Medical Education Accreditation Standards. June 2009.)

Training:

- After graduation, M.D. and D.O. residents typically work 80-hour weeks in ACGME-accredited residency programs for at least three years
- Before graduation, naturopathic clinical education occurs in years 3 and 4 and requires 1,200 hours, only 850 of which must be in direct patient care

(Sources: American Medical Association; AMA Scope of Practice Data Series – Naturopaths. September 2009; Council on Naturopathic Medical Education Accreditation Standards. June 2009.)

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Board Certification:

- For Medical Doctors
 - Graduate from an LCME-approved or COCA-accredited medical school
 - Complete full-time residency training program of at least three years in duration
 - Pass written and/or oral board certifying examination
 - For naturopaths
 - No generalist board certification
 - Naturopathic childbirth certification requires 100 hours of lay midwifery instruction and attendance at 15 births
 - Naturopathic acupuncture certification available in some states
- (Sources: "Comparison of U.S. Allopathic/Osteopathic Educational Requirements, American Medical Association; AMA Scope of Practice Data Series – Naturopaths, September 2009.)

We respectfully request your consideration of SB2489. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

February 2, 2010

HEARING: Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 3:00pm
Conference Room 016

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
State Senator Josh Green, MD, Vice-Chair
State Senate Committee on Health

FROM: Gary A. Okamoto, MD
Board Certified in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

RE: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE
In Support

I stand in support of SB 2489, which shapes the scope of practice for Doctors of Naturopathy in the area of prescription drugs for their patients. SB 2489 respectfully acknowledges the unique practice of naturopathic medicine and recommends a mechanism by which licensed Doctors of Medicine (MDs) and/or Doctors of Osteopathy (DOs) may apply their pharmacologic expertise to the development of a naturopathic drug formulary.

Prescriptive authority of doctors of naturopathy is an issue of patient safety, not access. Doctors of naturopathy undergo education and training different from the intensity of pharmacologic education and training of MDs, DOs, nurse practitioners, and advanced nurse practitioners. In the current situation, unlimited prescribing authority by the naturopathic doctor increases the risk of preventable complications or unnecessary drug use. At the heart of the issue is that allopathic schooling among MDs, DOs, and nurses is founded on evidence-based treatment – an approach that is different in its entirety and intensity and depth from the unique natural and non-drug approach of naturopathic doctors.

I respectfully urge you to support SB 2489.

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Dr. Kevin Gibson

Legislative Committee Member

TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE HEALTH COMMITTEE

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SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

For a hearing scheduled Wednesday February 3, 2010 at 3:00 PM, Conference Room 016.

February 3, 2010

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

My name is Sarah Strong and I am a licensed naturopathic physician in the Hawaii and the Vice President of the Hawaii Society of Naturopathic Physicians. I am personally writing in strong **OPPOSITION** of SB2489.

I urge you to read this testimony in detail in order to gain a better understanding of exactly what naturopathic medicine is and what part it plays in the health care of Hawaii.

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral

therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

SB2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization of HRS 455.

A more detailed explanation of naturopathic medicine and the specific modernization aspects of HRS 455 are presented below.

A Brief Description of Naturopathic Medicine:

Naturopathic medicine bridges the gap between natural and conventional medicine. It is a distinct and comprehensive form of medicine that blends centuries-old, natural, non-toxic therapies with current advances in the study of health and human systems. Naturopathic medicine covers all aspects of family health from prenatal to geriatric care, with a special focus on whole-patient wellness.

Philosophy and Treatment Methods

Naturopathic physicians (ND) are trained as integrative doctors, emphasizing the use of natural therapies in the treatment and prevention of acute and chronic illnesses. Naturopathic practice is predicated upon the assumption that the human body is inherently capable of healing itself. In practice, NDs perform physical examinations, take thorough health histories, make nutritional and dietary assessments, and order lab tests. NDs may also order diagnostic tests and imaging procedures such as x-rays, ultrasounds, and anything else a general practitioner would require to access health and determine appropriate treatment methods for a patient. Referrals are made to specialists or other healthcare providers for additional testing or treatment when necessary.

Education

Naturopathic physicians attend four-year; graduate level, in-residency programs at institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. There are currently four such schools in the United States. Naturopathic medical schools provide the same foundational coursework as conventional medical schools. In fact, ND programs often provide more pharmacology and physiology than mainstream MD schools do. In addition, ND programs provide extensive education unique to their treatment approach, emphasizing disease prevention and wellness

While this list is by no means comprehensive, naturopathic physicians are trained in the following: clinical nutrition, botanical medicine, pharmacology, parenteral/intravenous therapies, homeopathic medicine, physical medicine, lifestyle counseling and stress management, natural childbirth, minor office procedures and monitoring nutrient/drug/herb interactions. In fact, NDs are the only healthcare professionals formally trained to monitor and manage nutrient/drug/herb interactions.

The Board of Naturopathic Medicine's formulary adoption:

The formulary adopted by the Board of Naturopathic Medicine on 1/1/10 reflects one adopted by the California Bureau of Naturopathic Medicine in 2007. That formulary was developed over a two year period by a panel of two naturopathic doctors, two allopathic/medical doctors and two pharmacists.

Similar and broader formularies were adopted many years ago in other western states, such as Washington, Oregon, Arizona, Utah and Montana. It is a formulary that reflects the fact that naturopathic doctors provide primary care, and need to have access to medications which are commonly used in such care. The Hawaii naturopathic formulary does not include any controlled substances, or any medications which are generally prescribed by specialists, such as oncologists, neurologists, and cardiologists.

In preparation for the California Bureau's report, the Bureau contacted the licensing agencies for each of the states that allow NDs to prescribe. None of the states reported any patient harm or disciplinary action due to ND prescribing. In addition, the states were not aware of any civil actions against NDs for prescribing.

The California Bureau also contacted NCMIC Insurance Company. NCMIC insures NDs in all of the licensing states and also insures the naturopathic medical schools. In a letter to the Bureau dated June 7, 2006, NCMIC stated: "In the five years that NCMIC has been insuring Naturopathic Physicians and the colleges, we have never opened a claim against a Naturopathic Physician involving prescription medications."

Additionally, the Bureau contacted Jury Verdicts Northwest (JVN) to see if there were any civil actions filed against a licensed ND. JVN covers both Oregon and Washington, the two states with the greatest number of NDs and that have been licensing NDs for a considerable length of time (since 1919 and 1927, respectively). JVN responded "Upon reviewing cases contained in Jury Verdicts Northwest's database we found no cases against naturopaths for prescription negligence, or for that matter our database contained no cases against naturopaths at all."

Naturopathic Medical School Pharmacological Education

Interventions by naturopathic physicians include the use of pharmaceuticals when appropriate. Naturopathic medical students are required to learn about all classes of pharmaceutical agents, regardless of their ability to prescribe them under various state laws. A typical program includes 72 hours of classroom education which includes the principles of pharmacodynamics, side effects, and therapeutic uses of legend, or prescription, drugs. This does not include many other hours in courses such as gynecology, urology, cardiology, dermatology, etc. where prescription medications are discussed. It also does not include the minimum 1200 hours of clinical training where prescription medications are prescribed, administered, and managed as part of comprehensive treatment plans. This compares favorably with the didactic education for other medical professionals with legend drug prescribing rights.

Pharmacology is also an integral part of the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination (NPLEX).

NPLEX consists of extensive clinical case summaries for which the candidate must answer a series of questions relevant to diagnosis and treatment for each case.

Naturopathic students are exposed routinely in their clinical training to the appropriate selection, prescription, and management of prescriptive drug use, with clinical rotations providing practical management experience. They are also exposed to a wide variety of patient populations, and while it is true that many patients select naturopathic care based on their desire to avoid or reduce use of legend drugs with perceived side effects, a drug may be the best choice for their care at certain times.

Naturopathic physicians are trained to recognize the indications, efficacy and potential side effects of all drugs a patient is on whether they can prescribe them or not, since many patients come in already taking medications. In all teaching clinics, assessment of the patient history includes an evaluation of their current pharmacological treatments.

Parenteral therapies:

Naturopathic doctors licensed here in Hawaii and nationwide have been administering natural substances including vitamins, minerals and amino acids subcutaneously, intramuscularly and intravenously (i.e., parenterally) for over twenty years. The naturopathic governing statute, HRS 455 prior to 2009 stated naturopathic doctors may use the "natural methods or modalities, together with natural or homeopathic medicines, natural foods, and herbs, and nature's remedies of the type taught in education and training at naturopathic medical colleges." Because injection routes are taught in naturopathic medical colleges, doctors had chosen in the past to safely utilize these effective methods. The naturopathic governing board issued an opinion in 1984 that the injection of vitamins was within the scope of practice of naturopathic physicians. There has not been one case of misuse or harm caused by these methods reported to the state licensing board or the state member society. In addition, naturopathic malpractice insurance companies insure practitioners using these techniques. The largest insurance companies offering malpractice insurance have not received one malpractice claim throughout the nation against a naturopathic physician for the misuse of injection methods.

There were no complaints brought to the Board of Naturopathic Examiners in regard to the use of these injectable natural medicines by naturopathic physicians during this time. In 2006, the legislature approved HB1155 which clarified that naturopathic physicians have the authority to administer natural medicines by injection, although the bill was vetoed by the Governor.

Vitamin, mineral, and amino acid injections are very beneficial for a variety of health conditions, including immune enhancement, correcting nutrient deficiencies, and eliminating toxic substances such

as heavy metals (lead, mercury, etc.). Naturopathic physicians provide a valuable service to public health and safety by offering this treatment.

Opposition of SB2489 would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as they are trained to.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo and Aloha,
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**TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE HEALTH COMMITTEE*

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SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

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February 3, 2010

Aloha Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

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I was born and raised in Oahu, so it was very important to me to return here back to the islands with a professional degree that I felt was in need here in the islands. What I learned from being in school and away from the islands for 4 years was a very valuable training to help my family as well as friends here in the islands. I would like my practice to fully encompass all of the training I received while I was away. I actually do have some local friends in school who did not come back to the islands because of the limitations and lack of modernization within our law. SB2489 takes away from my training and practice privileges that I have obtained and practiced in Oregon while I was in school. Please oppose SB2489.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.
Dr. Monique Yuen

SB2489

Terry Shintani

February 2, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

RE: PLEASE SUPPORT SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

As associate chair to the Department of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, I am writing to strongly urge your support for SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would protect the people of Hawaii from unrestricted prescriptive authority by naturopaths. The Formulary should be constructed by a multidisciplinary group of professionals as all of the formularies in the State. The Naturopaths from the only 4 accredited schools in the US do not provide an appropriate sample of those with expertise to address this critical issue <http://www.cnme.org/mc.org/>

You should also be aware this bill was NOT introduced by HMA as stated by Dr. Steelsmith. She has a significant problem using correct information.

For example, she states "Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are more than adequately trained to practice under our existing law. They have extensive training at nationally accredited naturopathic medical schools, and they are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians who diagnose and treat disease." These are few accredited schools of Naturopathy. This link to one of their accrediting agencies that has recently come under review for inadequacies is provided. <http://www.cnme.org/> The other agency is quoted below. "They receive standard medical school training in the sciences - the same basic sciences taught in conventional medical schools, including conventional methods of physical, clinical, and laboratory diagnosis." We now have the most liberal law in the country. Must someone die here before you folks understand what you have done?

Last year's modernization of Hawaii's naturopathic medicine law allows our naturopathic physicians to practice according as a primary care physician.

Dr Steelsmith states "For many years naturopathic physicians in other states have had the right to prescribe medications, do minor surgery, and do injections (both intramuscular and intravenous)...she forgets to mention they are not licensed in these States.

You should also be aware there are NO continuing education requirement for this group of providers. Both nurses with prescriptive authority and MD's have such requirements to maintain their license.

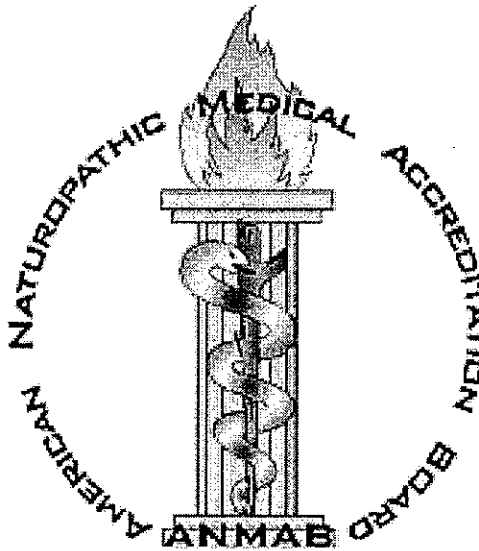
Lack of support for SB2489 would have many negative consequences on the quality of care for the people of Hawaii, diminishing the overall quality of healthcare in our state.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing of your support for SB2489. I support complementary and alternative medicine.

Sincerely yours,

Terry Shintani, MD, JD, MPH
Associate Chair Complementary and Alternative Medicine

ACCREDITATION



WHAT IS ACCREDITATION

Accreditation for Naturopathic programs in the United States is an entirely "voluntary" process. Accreditation for an institution of learning represents a "validation" that the school programs have been thoroughly investigated and found worthy of recognition. This investigation is conducted by a qualified group of people familiar with the programs offered. Students and institutions of learning have come to rely on decisions from ANMAB as a reliable source for determining quality in education.

TRADITIONAL AND NON-TRADITIONAL EDUCATION

There are two main types of schooling accredited by ANMAB available to the prospective student.

1. Traditional schools include those learning institutions requiring one to be present in a classroom setting at some point in the learning process. Supporters believe the structural interaction between students encourage a better learning experience.
2. Non-Traditional schools include those learning institutions that offer courses or programs by mail, often called correspondence, or distant learning programs. Supporters of Non-traditional schools point to convenience in busy schedules, and financial advantages in taking such programs. These graduates also believe it takes a more dedicated, determined student to complete such programs.

Both programs have their advantages, and disadvantages. Recently both have offered programs "online". Online programs have solved certain credibility issues for those earning degree's outside of the resident programs.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I get Certified after completing a program at an ANMAB approved school?

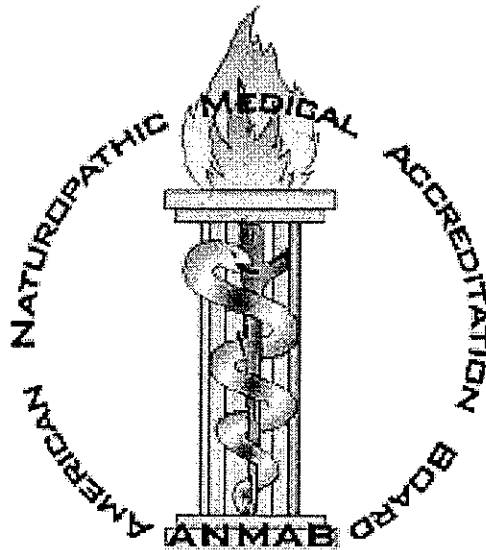
Yes! The American Naturopathic Medical Certification Board (ANMCB) offers certification for those individuals who have graduated from ANMAB's members. For a complete list of board certification natural health care categories and more information please visit their website at www.anmcb.org.

When a school is accredited what does that mean?

Accreditation for Naturopathic programs in the United States is an entirely "voluntary" process. Accreditation for an institution of learning represents a "validation" that the school programs have been thoroughly investigated and found worthy of recognition. This investigation is conducted by a qualified group of people familiar with the programs offered. The programs are also found to have also met financial stability.

Will the accredited school have an educational counselors available to me?

All accredited schools are required to have educational counselors available by telephone, email, mail or for traditional schools they offer educational counselors in person.



Clayton College of Natural Health

2140 11th Avenue, Suite 305
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Admissions Department: 1-800-995-4590

Website: www.ccnh.edu

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Category: Non-Traditional

Accredited since: 1996

Accredited Program(s):

Doctor of Naturopathy Program

The following programs are currently offered:

Degree Programs

Bachelor of Science in Natural Health

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Master of Science in Holistic Nutrition

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ANMAB accredits all programs offered by Clayton College of Natural Health.

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Are you aware many schools are BS programs

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 3:00 p.m., Conference Room 016

To: Senate Committee on Health

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair

Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

From: R. Craig Netzer, M.D.

Board Certified: Internal Medicine and Family Practice

4473 Pahe'e St, Ste O

Lihue, HI 96766

Re: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

In Support

Chairs and Committee Members:

I support SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine.

Facts to consider:

No entrance exam, such as the Medical College Admissions Test is required of applicants to schools of naturopathy. Naturopathic doctors (NDs) are required to complete just 2 years of basic science and 2 years of clinical training (minimum of only 850 clock hours in patient care over a 2-year period). Post-graduate ND training is required in only one state (Utah – 1 year).

There are 36 states that do not license NDs. South Carolina and Tennessee expressly prohibit the practice of naturopathy. Florida abolished its naturopath licensing laws in 1959, and in 2004 a legislative committee concluded that an expanded scope might be harmful. Several other states, including Texas and Virginia, have abolished previous naturopathy licensure provisions. Of the 14 states that do license NDs (plus the District of Columbia), most have continuing education requirements, while Hawaii does not.

NDs are required to take just 7-11 credits of pharmacology. While 11 other states allow some sort of prescriptive authority for NDs, most are much more limited than in Hawaii and many require some type of physician involvement, whether at the board level or at the individual practitioner level. Only Oregon comes close to the amount of authority allowed in Hawaii. For comparison in Hawaii, a joint formulary advisory committee for APRNs requires representation by MDs and/or DOs, while the naturopathic board has no representation at this level of expertise.

Additionally, Medicare does not reimburse for naturopathic services, and Hawaii Medicaid, which typically follows Medicare coverage, will not likely add it to the list of covered services. (ND scope of practice cannot adequately address access to care for the Medicare and Medicaid population.)

The recent law allowing Naturopaths prescriptive rights, (over the objection of the Hawaii Medical Board) has created a massive problem in that untrained individuals may now, essentially function as Medical Doctors. The best option would be to repeal the 2009 law that made this bill necessary. However, while that should be the ultimate goal of our State Senators, this bill will at least protect Hawaii's people from the danger they are about to face.

Sincerely,

R. Craig Netzer, M.D.

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 3:00 p.m., Conference Room 016

To: Senate Committee on Health
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

From: Joseph M. Zobian, M.D.

Re: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

In Support

Chairs and Committee Members:

I support SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine.

While it is common knowledge that there are too many regions of our state underserved by qualified medical personnel, the current trend of lowering standards to allow the unqualified to function as physicians not only fails to solve the problem but creates some that are far worse.

The practice of medicine is highly complex, hence the long years of training and supervision every medical doctor must undergo before being licensed to practice. Even after completion of this rigorous training all licensed physicians are required to continue their medical training to maintain their license.

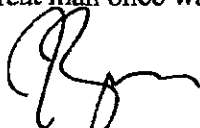
For many years non-medical doctors have sought the legal right to prescribe medications. To some this may seem reasonable, but even the most seemingly harmless medications can produce side-effects and reactions that are potentially life-threatening. Such complications are infrequent but inevitable, and it is only the extensive training of the medical doctor which enables him to avoid or minimize harm to the patient.

Naturopathic practitioners are already permitted to practice their methods on the people of Hawaii. Now some of them are demanding the legal right to prescribe medicines without the benefit of the complete medical training we all know must precede the practice of medicine. Allowing them to prescribe medications is potentially dangerous, particularly for those patients who have not been informed that their 'doctor' never attended medical school, never completed internship and residency, and is not a licensed medical physician.

If the legislature deems these risks to be acceptable, then at the very least the types of drugs they are allowed to prescribe (i.e. formulary) must be regulated by qualified medical physicians in order to help mitigate the potential risks to patients.

Please support this bill. Better yet, please reserve the practice of medicine to those who have completed the many years of necessary and indispensable training. There are some 'naturopathic doctors' who are also properly trained and licensed medical doctors. This should be the standard we set for those who want to provide medical care to the people of Hawaii. We have sworn to protect them, and this is an opportunity to do so.

A great man once warned us to never say "let us do evil that good may result". This is a perfect example.



To: Senate Committee of Health
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

From: Calvin C. M. Kam, M.D.

In Support

Chairs and Committee Members:

I support SB 2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine because this will prevent inevitable health care problems that will occur when unnatural activities are allowed. Naturopathic medicine, as defined in Section 455-1, supports and stimulates the natural body processes. That should not include minor office procedures and parenteral therapy.

Their Board was to establish education, training, and administration standards by the end of 2009. What was done? Was a Naturopathic formulary established that will be approved annually (by whom)?

One major problem presently is the high cost of medications with concern whether these are really necessary. There are excessive high cost products with ads that encourage patients to ask doctors to prescribe them. I personally would not order these and defer to specialists to do so.

Thank you for considering this important bill.


Calvin C.M. Kam, M.D.

From:
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To: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Health

From:

Re: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

I support SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

In allopathic medical school, after first two year of basic medical science, students spend 3rd and 4th year training thinking about drug based solution for medical problems and learning basic invasive procedures. For those who go into primary care setting they will be followed by 3 years of residency in family medicine or internal medicine or pediatrics, where they refine their skill of giving drugs and invasive procedures (minor surgeries, IV, intubation etc).

In Naturopathic School (do not have the same admission requirements and National Medical Board Examination as MD School) NDs spend over two years thinking about 'natural treatment' for medical problems. Although they took the pharmacology classes this does not include emphasis and practice with drugs. Their curriculum emphasize nutrition, vitamins, supplements and herbs. In ND School students also spend time studying acupuncture and Chinese medicine which is a 3 - 4 years full time curriculum in Acupuncture School. In that regard ND students spend even less time than allopathic medical student in drugs and procedures training within the same 4 years of post-graduate schooling. Residency is not required for ND nor are there sufficient residencies for graduating ND students. Many States do not license NDs as can be seen from ND Association website where they are talking about legislative agendas.

The problem with the law 420 is that it is an expansion of the ND scope of practice including prescribe drugs and do procedures which they do not have the equivalent training and regulatory mechanism like MD have. They do not have rigorous training to handle high risk situation and emergency cases or any situation that require giving drugs because they focus on natural healing. Classroom pharmacology and procedures without adequate residency training, supervision and experience will not prepare them to handle serious medical situation for example, pneumonia, or serious systemic illness etc.. I support Naturopathic philosophy and practice because I promote those skills but how to use drugs and medical procedures - allopathic medicine is what I count on and not from the other alternative disciplines.

Let's get real, if it is true that Naturopaths have received the same training as MD in their 4 years post-graduate schooling and just as good as MDs in allopathic medicine as they told the public then where are those time required for studying nutrition, vitamin and supplements, traditional Chinese medicine, acupuncture, western and Chinese herbology, in the same 4 years of schooling? Chinese medicine is a 4 year program. Something has to cut short here if Naturopaths cramp all those knowledge in 4 years. I hope it will not be in expense of our patient's safety. Because NDs are trained differently at this point of time they should not be used as substitute for the shortage of MD in Hawaii. This will decrease the quality care of medicine in Hawaii. We should try to keep MDs in the Hawaii and recruit more MDs from US Mainland in order to solve MD shortage problem.

Other facts to support SB2489: There are 36 states that do not license NDs. South Carolina and Tennessee expressly prohibit the practice of naturopathy. Florida abolished its naturopath licensing laws in 1959, and in 2004 a legislative committee concluded that an expanded scope might be harmful. Several other states, including Texas and Virginia, have abolished previous naturopathy licensure provisions. Of the 14 states that do license NDs (plus the District of Columbia), most have continuing education requirements, while Hawaii does not.

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Additionally, Medicare does not reimburse for naturopathic services, and Hawaii Medicaid, which typically follows Medicare coverage, will not likely add it to the list of covered services. (ND scope of practice cannot adequately address access to care for the Medicare and Medicaid population.)

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing of your support to SB2489.

Sincerely yours,

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Committees on HLT CPN
February 3, 2010 @ 3:00PM Room 16
SB 2489

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Before I begin I would like to thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 2489.

I would like to ask the the Chair of the respective Committees to defer this bill, to hold it in Committee for certain amendments, re-writing and re-consideration.

As you all know, last session, SB420 became Act 22 making "New Law" after a landslide veto override. Only two Republicans voted with the governor's agenda; she had vetoed similar legislation twice.

Unfortunately, The Lingle Administration has tied up implementation of this New Law in the rule making process. As of January 1, 2010, the Lingle Administration has cut off parenteral therapeutics of injection, which was always permitted by Law thereby interrupting ongoing patient care. [~~Having vetoed injection twice before, that may have been the Governor's intention all along.~~]

This interruption in ongoing patient care is a crisis for those patients affected and an unintended consequence of Act 22. The Legislature is united in rectifying this health care delivery problem. It may require another veto override to overcome the log jam in the Lingle Administration. Cutting off ongoing patient care seems to be essentially a violation of Article IX of the Hawaii State Constitution requiring both "protection and promotion of the Public Health."

This bill and others seek to "gut" Act 22 which would further expand and intensify this Article IX violation and result in much greater patient crisis. More of a problem.

We, the patients, the people of Hawaii, ask you to **defer this bill**, to hold it in Committee for certain amendments, re-writing and re-consideration in the near future **for the purpose of unblocking this administrative log jam in the Lingle administration and to provide for certain housekeeping measures** to modernize and correct language in other area of Act 22.

Act 22 contains similar language as the Oregon State Law from over 40 years ago. I was trained and educated under the Oregon State Law that Act 22 mimics. This new law to Hawaii is not new to the education and licensing of Naturopathic Physicians. Language in this Law reflects similar language in other State Licensing Laws for Naturopathic Medicine. This Language of Law is in harmony with the accredited professional schools of Naturopathic Medicine and in harmony with the professional valid and reliable examination for the licensing of Naturopathic Physicians. The State board of naturopathic medicine has been conducting itself by Law and in its rules in harmony with this new law. The Board has been contracting with the professional valid and reliable examinations based upon this New Law which is the Old Law everywhere else.

Act 22 may seem like a giant step for the State of Hawaii and it was. In one session, the State of Hawaii caught up to similar language of Law that is over 30 years old. In one session, the State of Hawaii took a giant step to make up for a 30 to 50 year lag. Last session, the State of Hawaii, in terms of Wellness and Natural health care, has entered the 21 Century.

It is no secret that the State of Hawaii is in a critical health care delivery crisis suffering on one side from a shortage of physicians, nurses and other medical professionals and on the other side with, high rates of degenerative disease, newly emergent diseases, viral pandemics and escalating health care costs

Federal Studies undertaken subsequent to the Federal Health Care Reform effort state that 50% of the health care dollar is wasted due to a lack of Wellness. Naturopathic Physicians are the leading medical expert providers in Wellness. Wellness is our Tradition.

We envision a new era of health care delivery in Hawaii where the various medical professions work together. We believe that the Department of Health should work to incorporate and work with all licensed medical professionals.

Not only in many Natural Disasters but also in sporting events like the Olympics, teams of “alternative” providers have served well, proving to be invaluable, in times of need.

What used to be Alternative Medicine is not Integrative Medicine.

On ever major health care controversy, the Natural Wellness Medicine has been 100% right and the AMA/Drug Company orthodox medical position has been proven wrong. We have brought about an evolution with the AMA/Drug Company orthodox medical practices by integrating Traditional Natural Medicine practices and principles.

We have made giant strides in birthing, diet, nutrition, exercise, stop smoking, and other wellness programs. When I first came to Hawaii, diet and exercise was considered Quackery now it's State of the Art.

The next three areas will be in Cancer care, Viral diseases and the Autism epidemic.

As of a few years ago, 60% of cancer patients report to their MD that they are using natural medicine. 40% of people across the board think that there is a treatment for cancer that the Government is suppressing. This view is shared by 100% of pharmacists, physicians and drug companies “in the know”

For example, the new antibody therapies making great improvements in patient care and outcome were developed in the 1930's. That's 70 years ago!

The medical researchers and the drug companies knew in 1980 that adequate nutritional levels of Vitamin D3 would cut 50% of all cancers and improve cancer outcome for the rest. This was kept quiet for 30 years while the Drug companies tried to develop a drug analog that they could patient and profit.

Natural Medicine has been providing low cost effective therapies for viral diseases for millennia.

The Autism epidemic can be reversed and autism prevented with increased public safety laws prohibiting the use of mercury in medicine and dentistry.

And above all there needs to be fundamental change in the Department of Health requiring the administration to work harmoniously with all licensed health care providers and NGOs. What the AMA can not undertake on its own due to Federal Anti-Trust Laws, they lobby the Legislature and the Governor offices for anti-competitive trade practices through regulation and licensing.

Forty years ago the FTC busted the AMA anti-competitive trade practices directed against the psychologists. The Courts have also overturned anti-competitive trade practices by MD radiologists against Chiropractors. Naturopathic Medicine remains the main target of anti-competitive trade practices by the AMA, its sister organizations, e.g. HMA, physician within the Department of Health and other government officials. They carry on these anti-competitive trade practices through the Legislature and the Governor's office. These anti-competitive trade practice cost the State of Hawaii both money and lives.

We, the people, the patients of the State of Hawaii, feel that it is time to usher in a new era of cooperation for Health Care Delivery in Hawaii. This new era was begun by the Legislature three decades ago with the integration of health care deliver services in the State Community Hospitals on the Big Island of Hawaii. Last year the Governor in her veto message requested new law to compel supervision of the Naturopathic Board in writing the Naturopathic Formulary by the boards of Pharmacy and Medicine/Osteopathic medicine. This has been proven to be a disaster for Article IX in the area of nursing.

New law is not necessary for cooperation and communication amongst the various boards in DCCA all within the Governor's office. New Law is required to forbid anti competitive trade laws and government practices as a work around loop-hole for FTC violations.

New Law is required to correct the ongoing anti-competitive Laws within the HRS.

We would request that you recommit this bill to committee and amend the language by deleting everything in total and replacing the language of the bill, inserting and numbering as appropriate, with:

All persons holding a valid license to practice Naturopathic Medicine in the State of Hawaii as of 12-31-2009 will enjoy grandfathering rights for the practice of parenteral therapy and the parenteral use of medicines as of January 1, 2010 and henceforth.

Please review the following language for you consideration:

§455-1 Definitions. As used in this chapter:

"Behavioral medicine" means therapy techniques including biofeedback, relaxation training, hypnosis, mindfulness-based stress reduction, and cognitive therapy.

"Board" means the board of naturopathic medicine.

"Common diagnostic procedures" means the use of venipuncture consistent with the practice of naturopathic medicine, commonly used diagnostic modalities consistent with naturopathic practice, taking of health history, physical examination, radiography, laboratory medicine, and obtaining samples of human tissue as authorized as a minor office procedure.

"Department" means the department of commerce and consumer affairs.

"Diagnosis" means using all recognized and accepted physical and laboratory diagnostic procedures including the taking of blood for diagnostic purposes.

"Disaster condition" means a sudden catastrophic event that overwhelms public order, causes loss of property or life, and exceeds or disrupts the capabilities of available medical resources to provide medical care within a community.

"Homeopathic" means minute doses of substances that have been highly diluted and shaken according to standardized pharmaceutical methods.

"Hygiene and immunization" means the use of preventative techniques including personal hygiene, asepsis, public health [~~and, to the extent allowed by rule~~], **including** immunizations.

"Legend drug" means any drug falling within section 503(b)(1) of the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and which is required to be labeled with the statement "Rx only".

"Manual manipulation" or "mechanotherapy" means manipulation of a part or the whole of the body by hand or mechanical means.

"Minor office procedures" means care and procedures relative to superficial lacerations, lesions, and abrasions, and the removal of foreign bodies located in superficial structures not including the eye; and the topical and parenteral use of substances consistent with the practice of naturopathic medicine, [~~in accordance with rules established by the board.~~]

"Naturopathic formulary" means vitamins, minerals, dietary supplements, botanical medicines, homeopathic medicines, hormones, and those legend drugs consistent with naturopathic medical practice.

"Naturopathic medicine" means the practice of the art and science of diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of disorders of the body by support, stimulation, or both, of the natural processes of the human body **including all natural medicines, natural procedures and natural therapeutic**. The practice of naturopathic medicine includes the prescription, administration, dispensing, and use of nutrition and food science, physical modalities, manual manipulation, parenteral therapy, minor office procedures, naturopathic formulary, hygiene and immunization, contraceptive devices, common diagnostic procedures, and behavioral medicine of the type taught in education and training at naturopathic medical colleges; [~~provided that the use of parenteral therapy and performance of minor office procedures shall not be allowed until the board adopts rules in accordance with chapter 91 pursuant to section 455-6.~~]

"Naturopathic physician" means a person who holds a current license issued under this chapter to practice naturopathic medicine.

"Nutrition and food science" means the prevention and treatment of disease or other human

conditions through the use of diet.

"Parenteral therapy" means the administration of substances by means other than through the gastrointestinal tract, including **application to the skin or mucus membranes**, intravenous, subcutaneous and intramuscular injection.

"Physical modalities" means use of physical, chemical, electrical, and other means, including but not limited to heat, cold, air, light, including lasers, water in any of its forms, sound, massage, and therapeutic exercise.

"Radiography" means the ordering of radiographic diagnostic and other imaging studies, including but not limited to computed tomography scans, x-rays, magnetic resonance imaging, positron emission tomography scans, and ultrasounds. The term also means and includes the taking and interpreting of x-rays.

§455-4 State board of naturopathic medicine. The governor shall appoint the board of naturopathic medicine, consisting of five members. Each member shall **be confirmed by the Senate and serve a two year term. Board members serve at the pleasure of the Senate.** ~~[until the member's successor is appointed and qualified].~~ Three members of the board, before appointment, shall have been licensed as a naturopathic physician in the State and two shall be public members. The members of the board may elect a chairperson and a vice-chairperson who shall each serve one year or until a successor is elected.

§455-6 [§453-5.1] Powers and duties of board. In addition to other powers and duties authorized by law, the ~~[Hawaii medical]~~ board shall have all the powers necessary or convenient to effectuate the purpose of this chapter, including, without limitation, the following powers:

- (1) To adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 91; and
- (2) To enforce this chapter and rules adopted pursuant thereto.

(3) All persons holding a valid license to practice Naturopathic Medicine in the State of Hawaii as of 12-31-2009 will enjoy grandfathering rights for the practice of parenteral therapy and the parenteral use of medicines as of January 1, 2010 and henceforth.

~~[Powers and authority of the board. In addition to any other powers and duties authorized by law, the board may:~~

- ~~—(1) Adopt and use a seal to be affixed to all official acts of the board;~~
- ~~—(2) Adopt, amend, or repeal rules in accordance with chapter 91. [to carry out the purposes of this chapter; provided that all rules shall be approved by the governor and the director of commerce and consumer affairs; and provided further that the rules:
 - ~~(A) May forbid acts or practices deemed by the board to be detrimental to the accomplishment of the purpose of this chapter;]~~
 - ~~(B) Shall establish standards of practice, care, and ethics; and~~
 - ~~(C) Shall establish the education and training requirements for parenteral therapy and the standards to administer parenteral therapy, and establish examination standards and require the passage of an examination on minor office procedures, which standards and requirements shall take effect after December 31, 2009;~~~~
- ~~-(3) Develop standards for licensure;~~
- ~~—(4) Issue, renew, suspend, and revoke licenses and fine licensees;~~

~~—(5) Investigate and conduct hearings regarding any violation of this chapter and any rules of the board;~~

~~—(6) Maintain a record of its proceedings;~~

(7) Annually **or more frequently as required** establish and publish a naturopathic formulary that has been approved by the board for prescription, administration, or dispensing by naturopathic physicians; and

~~[(8) Do all things necessary to carry out the functions, powers, and duties set forth in this chapter.]~~

§455-11 [Discipline; grounds; proceedings; hearings.] (a) ~~In addition to any other actions authorized by law, the board shall have the power to deny, revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew any license to practice naturopathic medicine applied for or issued by the board in accordance with this chapter, and to fine or otherwise discipline a licensee for any cause authorized by law, including but not limited to the following:~~

~~—(1) Procuring, or aiding or abetting in procuring, a criminal abortion;~~

~~—(2) Employing any person to solicit patients;~~

~~—(3) Obtaining a fee on the assurance that a manifestly incurable disease can be permanently cured;~~

~~—(4) Betraying a patient's confidence;~~

~~—(5) Making any untruthful and improbable statement in advertising one's naturopathic practice or business;~~

~~—(6) False, fraudulent, or deceptive advertising;~~

~~—(7) Being habituated to the excessive use of drugs or alcohol; or being addicted to, dependent on, or an habitual user of a narcotic, barbiturate, amphetamine, hallucinogen, or other drug having similar effects;~~

~~—(8) Practicing naturopathic medicine while the ability to practice is impaired by alcohol, drug, physical disability, or mental instability;~~

~~—(9) Procuring a license through fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit or knowingly permitting an unlicensed person to perform activities requiring a license;~~

~~—(10) Professional misconduct or gross carelessness or manifest incapacity in the practice of naturopathic medicine;~~

~~—(11) Conduct or practice contrary to recognized standard of ethics of the naturopathic profession;~~

~~—(12) Using medical service or treatment which is inappropriate or unnecessary;~~

~~—(13) Submitting to or filing with the board any notice, statement, or other document required under this chapter which is false or untrue or contains any material misstatement of fact;~~

~~—(14) Failure to report to the board any disciplinary action taken against the licensee in another jurisdiction within thirty days after the disciplinary action becomes final;~~

~~—(15) Using the title "physician" without clearly identifying oneself as being a naturopathic physician;~~

~~—(16) Prescribing, administering, and dispensing naturopathic formulary that are not included in the formulary established by the board under section 455-6; and~~

~~—(17) Violation of any provision of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.~~

~~—(b) Any fine imposed by the board after a hearing in accordance with chapter 91 shall be no less than \$500 and no more than \$10,000 for each violation—~~

~~§453-8.2] Disciplinary action. (a) In addition to any other actions authorized by law, in disciplining a licensee in a proceeding held in conformity with chapter 91, the board may impose one or more of the following sanctions:~~

~~___ (1) Place the licensee on probation, including conditions of probation~~

~~___ (2) Suspend the license;~~

~~___ (3) Revoke the license;~~

~~___ (4) Fine the licensee, including assessment against the licensee of the costs of the disciplinary proceedings. Any fine imposed by the board after a hearing in accordance with chapter 91 shall be not less than \$500 and not more than \$5,000 for each violation, exclusive of the costs of the disciplinary proceedings;~~

~~___ (5) Censure or reprimand.~~

~~___ (b) Unless otherwise expressly provided, the actions, remedies, or penalties provided by this chapter are cumulative to each other and to the actions, remedies, or penalties available under all other laws of this State.~~

We ask you to hold this bill for amendments and reconsideration by the Committee and placing it on the joint Committee calendar for rehearing the bill with the above language of your choice.

Respectfully

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Thank you very much,

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February 1, 2010

To: David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Other Esteemed Members of the Senate Committee on Health

Re: Please Vote AGAINST SB 2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (The hearing on this bill is scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Rm. 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I am a licensed naturopathic physician and acpuncturist practicing in Hawaii since 1993. I am requesting that you please vote AGAINST SB 2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would reduce the quality of healthcare in Hawaii by removing the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish important standards for the naturopathic profession. Only the board of naturopathic medicine has the appropriate awareness of issues specific to the practice of naturopathic medicine to act with authority in this regard. It is the natural duty of the naturopathic board to regulate naturopathic physicians, and it would be inappropriate to allow any other group or entity to do so.

Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are more than sufficiently trained to practice under our existing law. They have extensive training at nationally accredited naturopathic medical schools, and are licensed as primary care physicians who diagnose and treat disease. Last year's modernization of Hawaii's naturopathic medicine law has finally allowed our naturopathic physicians to practice according to their training, and according to standards that have long been honored in other states.

Last year the citizens of Hawaii resoundingly demanded legislative changes that give them greater access to quality naturopathic care. Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are a valuable part of our healthcare system, uniquely qualified to work with other types of health professionals to provide integrative healthcare. SB 2489 would undermine the value of last year's modernization of our naturopathic law, have dire consequences for the practice of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, and significantly reduce the overall quality of healthcare available in our state. Please vote against SB 2489.

Sincerely,
Dr. Laurie Steelsmith N.D., L.Ac.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident, a physician retired from Kaiser and a concerned citizen. I am writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawaii State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements. In my view, this was very appropriate, and represented legislation which served as a model for other states.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are truly an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Naturopathic physicians have a definite role in caring for people. They are quite popular, never practice outside of their guidelines, and serve a function that is not always being served by MD/OD practitioners.

Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

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From: Vince K. Yamashiroya [yamashirv002@hawaiiantel.net]
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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 3:00 p.m., Conference Room 016

To: Senate Committee on Health
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

From: Vince Yamashiroya, MD
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Re: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

In Support

Chairs and Committee Members:

I support SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine.

Facts to consider:

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No entrance exam, such as the Medical College Admissions Test is required of applicants to schools of naturopathy. Naturopathic doctors (NDs) are required to complete just 2 years of basic science and 2 years of clinical training (minimum of only 850 clock hours in patient care over a 2-year period). Post-graduate ND training is required in only one state (Utah – 1 year).

There are 36 states that do not license NDs. South Carolina and Tennessee expressly prohibit the practice of naturopathy. Florida abolished its naturopath licensing laws in 1959, and in 2004 a legislative committee concluded that an expanded scope might be harmful. Several other states, including Texas and Virginia, have abolished previous naturopathy licensure provisions. Of the 14 states that do license NDs (plus the District of Columbia), most have continuing education requirements, while Hawaii does not.

NDs are required to take just 7-11 credits of pharmacology. While 11 other states allow some sort of prescriptive authority for NDs, most are much more limited than in Hawaii and many require some type of physician involvement, whether at the board level or at the individual practitioner level. Only Oregon comes close to the amount of authority allowed in Hawaii. For comparison in Hawaii, a joint formulary advisory committee for APRNs requires representation by MDs and/or DOs, while the naturopathic board has no representation at this level of expertise.

Additionally, Medicare does not reimburse for naturopathic services, and Hawaii Medicaid, which typically follows Medicare coverage, will not likely add it to the list of covered services. (ND scope of practice cannot adequately address access to care for the Medicare and Medicaid population.)

Please feel free to forward this message to any of your colleagues and non-physician contacts who may also be interested in supporting this bill to protect patient safety.

Thank you.

Vince Yamashiroya, M.D., FAAP

General Pediatrics in Private Practice and Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Hawaii

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SB2489

Edward B. Christenson, MD, DABA
February 2, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

RE: PLEASE SUPPORT SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to strongly urge your **support** for SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine.

I am a physician and I oppose Naturopathic Doctors being allowed to prescribe medications on SB 2489 because I believe that they lack adequate training to do so safely.

The original bill SB 420 was presented basically as a way to change the name of the board of Naturopathy to the board of Naturopathic medicine and to authorize rules and to authorize temporary license to licensed out-of-state naturopathic physicians in a declared public health emergency.

During the legislative process, there was I believe a totally unwarranted expansion of the scope of practice for naturopathic physicians including being able to prescribe any medicine determined to be ok by the board of Naturopathic Medicine. I do not think that the naturopathic physicians on the board of Naturopathic Medicine have the knowledge or training to make these kinds of determinations. I do not think that they should be able to determine what drugs they can prescribe. I think prescribing medicines is the practice of medicine and not the practice of naturopathic medicine.

A look at the formulary approved by the Naturopathic Board and in effect from Jan 1, 2010 is frightening in its scope and possible danger to patients. It includes but is not limited to: for example: all Hormones, Antibiotics, Anti-tuberculosis agents, Anti-malarial agents, Anti-viral agents, Oral and topical steroids, Anti-coagulant agents, Anti-hypertensive agents, Anti-depressants, all Anti-diabetic agents and Medical Gas.

The list is frightful because of the breadth of often very complex medical problems that are being treated by people with less practical drug knowledge than a fourth year allopathic medical student and certainly less than any doctor who has done a residency in primary care.

I believe the legislature accepted as fact that naturopathic medical education is substantially equivalent to allopathic medical education in the knowledge of drug - this is simply not true.

Allopathic medical students spend their last two years doing diagnosis of disease and drug therapy while naturopathic medical student spent their time doing naturopathic therapy which do not include learning drug

prescription. Even if the first two years is equivalent (a fact not in evidence) the last two years emphasize different path.

Many of these drugs on the formulary are very potent and in no way benign. The risks and side effect are substantial and required years of supervision and experience which Naturopathic school and training did not adequately provide. The potential for misuse of these drugs is enormous, with real risk to the public health such as development of drug resistant to microbes including TB or AIDS, just to name a few. If naturopathic physicians prescribe drugs, the safety goes down and the cost of medical care in Hawaii will increase.

I urge you to overcome the defects of SB 420 by supporting SB 2489.

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To: Senate Committee on Health
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Josh Green MD, Vice Chair

RE: PLEASE SUPPORT SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Dear David. Y, Ige, Chair, Josh Green MD, vice Chair, and Members of the Senate Committee on Health:

I am a physician practicing primary care n Honolulu, writing to strongly urge your support for SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would protect the people of Hawaii from unrestricted prescriptive authority by naturopaths.

As several of my colleagues have already explained, the training of the naturopathic providers is insufficient for the task of prescribing pharmaceutical agents. In addition, since naturopathic providers do not have the crucial practical experience gained in several years of rigorous training "in the field", they are not prepared, and do not qualify for the responsibility of prescribing pharmaceutical agents, as well as performing minor surgical procedures. Allowing them to perform these services without the necessary training and experience will expose our community to an unacceptable risk.

I fully support including the naturopathic providers in the primary care network utilizing their knowledge of natural supplements, and dietary measures, and invite you to explore how using their knowledge in these fields can contribute to the health of our community. I believe that in order to best serve our community, both MDs and NDs should do what they do best.

Thank you for your consideration for support to SB2489.

Sincerely yours,

Tamar Hoffmann MD

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From: James Rudosky [jim@rudoskyagency.com]
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Subject: Informed Hawaii Resident in SUPPORT of SB2489

TESTIMONY

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

FR: James C. Rudosky, Informed Hawaii Resident in SUPPORT of SB2489
7014 Niunalu Loop, Honolulu, HI
February 2, 2010

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee

I am writing to strongly urge your SUPPORT to SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would help protect Hawaii residents from the dangers of naturopaths having prescriptive rights for many medications they are untrained and inexperienced to prescribe.

It can be easy for a patient to assume that when a practitioner is a "doctor" he or she has the knowledge to provide the full range of primary care. However, naturopathic practitioners (who are not medical doctors but allowed to be called doctors in Hawaii) lack the training to dispense prescriptive medications. In addition, members of the board of naturopathic medicine, as it is now constituted with naturopaths and public members who support naturopathic medicine, lacks the objectivity, training and experience to have authority to decide the formulary for naturopathic practitioners. Naturopaths should NOT be given the ability to prescribe the wide range of drugs which has been suggested, to include hormones; antibiotics; pain control agents; dermatologicals; ophthalmic, otic, and respiratory agents; gastrointestinal and cardiovascular agents; renal and genitourinary agents; psychotherapeutic agents (including antidepressants); endocrine and metabolic agents. Treating the conditions indicated by the use of these medications is beyond the training of naturopaths.

I have seen a trend where naturopaths are trying to blur the distinction between themselves and medical doctors. While this goal may be beneficial for naturopaths, it provides no benefit to Hawaii residents. At best, it will put a patient in the hands of a practitioner who is untrained to treat the patient's condition and at worst will cause the patient harm by wasting time that could be spent on truly beneficial treatments.

One of Hawaii's most public naturopaths told me that one of her naturopathic colleagues recommended a regimen of nutritional supplements to treat a state III prostate cancer patient of hers. As she spoke, she shook her head in disgust that something so wrong would be recommended. She ended her story by saying that she wouldn't bother to report it to the board of naturopathic medicine because she knew they wouldn't take action.

I have had personal experience with a naturopathic practitioner who purported that his special diet could cure hundreds of maladies, from Parkinson's disease to yeast infections. It's really quite preposterous.

Having a group of medical practitioners in the state that use the title "doctor" yet lack the training of a medical doctor and are not adequately supervised creates opportunities for great harm to patients. Providing naturopaths with prescriptive capabilities, especially for such a wide range of drugs and through the board of naturopathic medicine has the potential to be dangerous to patients.

While naturopaths may have training at nationally accredited naturopathic schools, and are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians this doesn't mean that they are competent to have prescriptive responsibilities, especially without guidance from medical professionals who have the appropriate training and experience.

It is worth noting that naturopaths are required to complete just 2 years of basic science and 2 years of clinical training. I respectfully ask that the Senate Committee on Health consider that there are 36 states that do not license naturopaths. South Carolina and Tennessee expressly prohibit the practice of naturopathy. Florida abolished its naturopath licensing laws in 1959. Several other states, including Texas and Virginia, have abolished naturopathy licensure provisions. Of the 14 states that do license naturopaths (plus the District of Columbia), most have continuing education requirements, while Hawaii does not. Finally, naturopaths are required to take just 7-11 credits of pharmacology.

While naturopaths like to say that providing them with prescriptive authority will improve primary care in Hawaii, the fact is that there is not a shortage of primary care physicians in Hawaii, but rather a shortage of some specialists. In addition, since Medicare, Medicaid, HMSA, HMAA, Kaiser and other health plans do not cover naturopathic care, few patients would seek primary care through a naturopath, and would be even less likely to want a naturopath to treat the complicated chronic conditions which would be indicated by the drugs mentioned above.

Truthfully, naturopaths are trained in vitamin therapies, not the full range of modalities taught to medical doctors. I ask the committee to please protect Hawaii consumers and patients from the growing perception that naturopaths are medical doctors. Extending prescriptive rights and doing so through the board of naturopathic medicine would be a great disservice to the public for the benefit of a handful of naturopathic practitioners.

One local naturopath has written that, "naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. As the most highly trained of healthcare practitioners in preventive medicine, they are uniquely qualified to collaborate with other healthcare professionals in providing truly complimentary and integrative healthcare." The only way naturopaths can be a complement to Hawaii's health care system is under the supervision of trained medical doctors, not a naturopathic board made up of naturopaths and a few sympathetic lay people. I am in SUPPORT of SB2489 which would prevent the board of naturopathic medicine from having formulary responsibilities for naturopaths and I am also opposed to naturopaths having prescriptive rights. Improperly prescribed, these medications can cause harm, perhaps even deaths, among Hawaii's trusting patient population.

Respectfully,

Jim Rudosky

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February 1, 2010

To: David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Other Esteemed Members
of the Senate Committee on Health

Re: Please Vote AGAINST SB 2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (The hearing
on this bill is scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in
Conference Rm. 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the
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This bill would
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Last year the citizens of Hawaii resoundingly demanded legislative changes that

give them greater access to quality naturopathic care. Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are a valuable part of our healthcare system, uniquely qualified to work with other types of health professionals to provide integrative healthcare. SB 2489 would undermine the value of last year's modernization of our naturopathic law, have dire consequences for the practice of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, and significantly reduce the overall quality of healthcare available in our state. Please vote against SB 2489.

Sincerely,
Dr. Elizabeth Elliott N.D., L.Ac.

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February 2, 2010

TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE HEALTH COMMITTEE

RE: OPPOSITION TO SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 PM, Conference Room 016.

Dear Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair,
Honorable Josh Green, M.D, Vice Chair
and other distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health,

I am Dr. Darrow Hand, a licensed naturopathic physician in the State of Hawai'i, and I am writing to strongly urge your **OPPOSITION of SB2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Last year the legislature heeded the overwhelming support of the citizens of Hawai'i to pass SB420 SD2, HD2 to modernize the naturopathic medicine law such that our scope of practice was more in line with our training. SB2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization.

Naturopathic physicians attend four-year, graduate level programs at institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Naturopathic medical schools provide the same foundational coursework as conventional medical schools. In addition, naturopathic programs provide extensive education unique to our treatment approach, emphasizing disease prevention and wellness. Some of our coursework includes: clinical nutrition, botanical medicine, pharmacology, parenteral therapies, physical medicine, lifestyle counseling and stress management, natural childbirth, minor office procedures and monitoring nutrient/drug/herb interactions.

The Board of Naturopathic Medicine in Hawai'i adopted a formulary on January 1, 2010. Prior to this, similar and broader formularies were adopted in other western states, such as Washington, Oregon, Arizona, California, Utah and Montana. Naturopathic doctors provide primary care and need to have access to medications commonly used in such care. The Hawai'i naturopathic formulary does not include any controlled substances.

While it is true that many patients select naturopathic care based on their desire to avoid or reduce use of legend drugs, a drug may be the best choice for their care at certain times. Naturopathic physicians are trained to recognize the indications, efficacy and potential side effects of all drugs a patient is on.

Naturopathic doctors have been administering natural substances including vitamins, minerals and amino acids subcutaneously, intramuscularly and intravenously for years. Injections of natural substances are beneficial for immune enhancement, correcting nutrient deficiencies, eliminating toxic substances such as heavy metals (eg, mercury) and more. Naturopathic physicians provide a valuable service to public health and safety by offering this treatment.

The scope of practice for Naturopathic Medicine was expanded last year to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary. **Opposition of SB2489** would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as we are trained to. Please Oppose SB2489.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely yours,
Darrow Hand, ND

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR SENATE HEALTH COMMITTEE

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair

The Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

For a hearing scheduled Wednesday February 3, 2010 at 3:00 PM, Conference Room 016.

February 2, 2010

Honorable Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

I am Dr. Steven Dubey, licensed naturopathic physician and acupuncturist, practicing on Kauai. I have served on the Naturopathic Board of Examiners, and I am a member of the Hawaii Society of Naturopathic Physicians (HSNP). I have maintained a busy Naturopathic Medical practice since 1981 in Lihue. I work integratively with numerous health practitioners on the island, both giving and receiving patient referrals. Many of my medical colleagues refer me their "difficult cases", when treatments with drugs and surgery do not reach a desired outcome. Many of my patients come to me for a complementary approach, to augment or enhance their health, with a variety of complaints. Many patients refer to me as their primary care provider, preferring natural medicines as their primary care.

THE MODERN NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR OF 2010 IS A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.

I appeal to you on behalf of the people of Hawaii, and to your common sense for **OPPOSITION** of SB2489.

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation, and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

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January 31, 2010

Hawaii State Senate
The Twenty-fifth Legislature
Regular Session 2010

RE: **SB 2489**
Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

To: Chairman David Y. Ige, Vice Chair Josh Green, MD and other
Committee on Health members:

I am a full time practicing naturopathic physician on Kauai for almost 20 years. Naturopathic physicians and their supporters worked diligently to override the Governor's veto of the Modernization Bill for Naturopathic physicians (referred to Act 22). I am in **opposition** of this bill.

Apparently, the Hawaii Medical Association did not counter our lawmakers last session about the amendments that were added to 455, HRS. Their testimony was painfully antiquated and the *only* dissenting opinion. Now, they want to **strip** our parenteral routes of administration, minor procedures and prescriptive privileges as well as the powers and authority of the Board of Naturopathic Medicine.

How can this be? We have a noted shortfall of able bodied health care providers in this State and we have an unprecedented safety record as well

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TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE HEALTH COMMITTEE

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
The Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

SB 2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

For a hearing scheduled Wednesday February 3, 2010 at 3:00 PM, Conference Room 016.

February 1, 2010

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

I am Dr. Karen Tan, licensed naturopathic physician and acupuncturist and have been in private practice in Honolulu since 1995. I am testifying in **OPPOSITION to SB 2489**.

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

SB 2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization of HRS 455.

A more detailed explanation of the specific modernization aspects of HRS 455 are presented below.

The Board of Naturopathic Medicine's formulary adoption:

The formulary adopted by the Board of Naturopathic Medicine on 1/1/10 reflects one adopted by the California Bureau of Naturopathic Medicine in 2007. That formulary was developed over a two year period by a panel of two naturopathic doctors, two allopathic/medical doctors and two pharmacists. Similar and broader formularies were adopted many years ago in other western states, such as Washington, Oregon, Arizona, Utah and Montana. It is a formulary that reflects the fact that naturopathic doctors provide primary care, and need to have access to medications, which are commonly used

in such care. The Hawaii naturopathic formulary does not include any controlled substances, or any medications, which are generally prescribed by specialists, such as oncologists, neurologists, and cardiologists.

In preparation for the California Bureau's report, the Bureau contacted the licensing agencies for each of the states that allow NDs to prescribe. None of the states reported any patient harm or disciplinary action due to ND prescribing. In addition, the states were not aware of any civil actions against NDs for prescribing.

The California Bureau also contacted NCMIC Insurance Company. NCMIC insures NDs in all of the licensing states and also insures the naturopathic medical schools. In a letter to the Bureau dated June 7, 2006, NCMIC stated: "In the five years that NCMIC has been insuring Naturopathic Physicians and the colleges, we have never opened a claim against a Naturopathic Physician involving prescription medications."

Additionally, the Bureau contacted Jury Verdicts Northwest (JVN) to see if there were any civil actions filed against a licensed ND. JVN covers both Oregon and Washington, the two states with the greatest number of NDs and that have been licensing NDs for a considerable length of time (since 1919 and 1927, respectively). JVN responded "Upon reviewing cases contained in Jury Verdicts Northwest's database we found no cases against naturopaths for prescription negligence, or for that matter our database contained no cases against naturopaths at all."¹

Naturopathic Medical School Pharmacological Education

1. Naturopathic medical students are required to learn about all classes of pharmaceutical agents, regardless of their ability to prescribe them under various state laws.
2. A typical program includes 72 hours of classroom education with principles of pharmacodynamics, side effects and therapeutic uses of legend or prescription drugs. There are also many additional hours in gynaecology, urology, cardiology, dermatology etc where prescription medications are discussed. A minimum of 1200 hours of clinical training are also part of our training. This compares favorably with the didactic education for other medical professionals with legend drug prescription rights.
3. Pharmacology is also an integral part of the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination (NPLEX). NPLEX consists of extensive clinical case summaries for which the candidate must answer a series of questions relevant to diagnosis and treatment for each case.
4. Naturopathic physicians are trained to recognize the indications, efficacy and potential side effects of all drugs a patient is on whether they can prescribe them or not, since many patients come in already taking medications. In all teaching

clinics, assessment of the patient history includes an evaluation of their current pharmacological treatments.

Parenteral Therapies

1. Naturopathic doctors licensed in Hawaii and nationwide have been administering natural substances including vitamins, minerals and amino acids subcutaneously, intramuscularly and intravenously (ie parenterally) for over 20 years. The naturopathic governing statute, HRS 455 prior to 2009 stated naturopathic doctors may use the "...natural methods or modalities, together with natural or homeopathic medicines, natural foods, and herbs, and nature's remedies of the type taught in education and training at naturopathic medical colleges." Because injection routes are taught in naturopathic medical colleges, doctors had chosen in the past to safely utilize these effective methods.
2. In 1984, the Board governing naturopathic physicians issued an opinion that the injection of vitamins was within our scope of practice. There has not been one case of misuse or harm caused by these methods reported to the state licensing board or the state member society. In addition, naturopathic malpractice insurance companies insure practitioners using these techniques. The largest insurance companies offering malpractice insurance have not received one malpractice claim throughout the nation against a naturopathic physician for the misuse of injection methods.
3. There were no complaints brought to the Board of Naturopathic Examiners in regard to the use of these injectable natural medicines by naturopathic physicians during this time. In 2006, the legislature approved HB1155 which clarified that naturopathic physicians have the authority to administer natural medicines by injection, although the bill was vetoed by the Governor.

Vitamin, mineral, and amino acid injections are very beneficial for a variety of health conditions, including immune enhancement, correcting nutrient deficiencies, and eliminating toxic substances such as heavy metals (lead, mercury, etc.). Naturopathic physicians provide a valuable service to public health and safety by offering this treatment. Opposition to SB2489 would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as they are trained to.

Sincerely

Karen Tan, ND., MAcOM, LAc.

From: Allison Bachlet [drallisonbachlet@gmail.com]
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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Naturopathic Physician and Hawaii resident who has benefited greatly from Naturopathic Medicine, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

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I am writing in opposition to SB2489 relating to Naturopathic Medicine.
I am very aware of our shortage of physicians in our community, but the answer is not to sanction practitioners who are not qualified to practice and prescribe.

Naturopaths are not a recognized medical specialty.

They do not have clinical training to be given prescribing abilities.

They are not recognized in "36" states.

The people of Hawaii deserve competency and professionalism for their Health care.

Please veto SB 2489

JoAnn Sarubbi MD
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From: Sharon Karayianis [shankari21@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 2:34 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: Dr. Margaret Dexter, ND
Subject: SB 2489

State of Hawaii
Senate Committee on Health
January 30, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

I am strongly opposed to this bill. The Board of Naturopathic Medicine must be allowed to set their own standards for everything they are licensed to do, including minor office procedures, and the naturopathic formulary.

Sincerely,
Sharon Karayianis, M.D.
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From: lyle robinson [doclrob@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 3:18 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: testimony regarding opposition to S.B. 2489

Dear Senator Ige, Chair, Senator Green, M.D., Vice Chair and committee members,

I am a practicing naturopathic physician. I graduated from medical school in 2000 and moved to Kauai to join a naturopathic clinic. I have always wanted to practice to the full extent of my education in order to best help those in need of a full scope of naturopathic modalities. The passage of a more inclusive medical bill for naturopathic primary care physicians in 2009 was a huge step in the direction towards being able to offer patients what they need and deserve from naturopathic medicine. Over the years, I have seen many patients whom were visitors to Kauai and they have often been surprised and disappointed that as a naturopath, I was unable to offer certain modalities they were used to receiving from their naturopaths at home.

I strongly oppose S.B. 2489 as it pertains to naturopathic medicine. Passing this bill will decrease the quality of care the citizens of this state deserve. I urge you to please oppose S.B. 2489 and do what is in the best interest of the healthcare consumers.

Mahalo for your consideration in this very serious matter.

Sincerely, Lyle Robinson, N.D.
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Kilauea, Hi. 96754

From: Sierra Levy [drsierra@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 2:17 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB 2489, thank you.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am proud to be a Hawaii Naturopath and Acupuncturist and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians, including myself, have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools including training in pharmacology. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect our scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements which will help the healthcare of Hawaii citizens. I even have had to keep a license in Oregon because my Hawaii license is not strong enough.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Sierra L. Levy

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From: Nat [nat@maui.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:57 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Nathan Ehrlich. I am a licensed Naturopathic physician practicing on Maui since 1989. These 20 years of practice have shown me that the field of Naturopathic medicine is a effective and safe complementary healthcare system.

The Naturopathic law was modernized with the passage of SB420 SD2, HD2 last year (and override of Governor's veto with Act 22) bringing more appropriate language to the law and to clarify the scope of Naturopathic practice including parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and a prescription formulary administered by the Board of Naturopathic Medicine which are all aspects of modern Naturopathic practice taught in Naturopathic medical schools. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

I am writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Nathan Ehrlich, N.D.

TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE HEALTH COMMITTEE

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair

The Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair □

SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

For a hearing scheduled Wednesday February 3, 2010 at 3:00 PM,
Conference Room 016. □ □

February 2, 2010

Honorable Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the
Committee:

I am Michael Traub, ND. I serve as Chairman of the Board of Naturopathic Medicine., but I am in Toronto teaching this week at the Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine and unable to attend this hearing in person and to testify on behalf of the Board. Therefore, I am submitting this testimony in opposition to SB2489, not on behalf of the Board, but as a member of the Hawaii Society of Naturopathic Physicians.

After passage last year of Act 22, naturopathic medicine was brought into the modern age in Hawaii, after 20 years of lagging behind the scope as taught in naturopathic medical schools and as practiced in many other Western states, including Oregon, Washington, Arizona, and Utah. There is a very good safety record of naturopathic medicine.

Act 22 has only been in effect for a few months. The naturopathic profession in Hawaii deserves a chance to show that it can safely and responsibly practice with a broader scope. The Board of Naturopathic Medicine deserves a chance to show that it is developing high standards of practice and care with which it can hold licensees accountable.

SB2489 is an ill-timed, regressive piece of legislation which would deprive Hawaiians of their access to urgently needed primary care physicians.

I urge you to vote nay on SB2489.

Mahalo.

Michael Traub, ND

From: Justin Langlais [jlang12@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 4:01 PM
To: senige@capitol.hawaii.gov; Sen. Josh Green; HTHTestimony
Subject: Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

David Y. Ige
Josh Green
Committee on Health

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 03:00 PM

Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Aloha Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

As a recent graduate of UH Manoa, I am applying to a Naturopathic Medical Program with hopes of completing my ND degree and practicing in my home state of Hawaii.

I am a concerned citizen of Hawaii, and I am writing in STRONG OPPOSITION of SB2489.

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

SB2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization of HRS 455.

Opposition of SB2489 would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as they are trained to.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

From: Lois Cain [loiskc@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:00 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

NAME: Lois K. Cain
ADDRESS: 3015 Hibiscus Drive, Honolulu, HI 96815
DATE: February 2, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I'm not surprised to see that HMA refuses to relinquish their efforts to stifle the "competition" and deny the rights of the citizens of Hawaii to their health care of choice.... the epitome of insecurity, obviously.

However, I will be horrified and very angry if you let them get away with it. You all studied this issue last year, heard the voice of the people and voted accordingly. I hope you have the integrity and good sense to stand behind that action in the face of this 11th hour gasping effort by the opposition.

I'm sure you have received many other letters with details of how the proposed modifications will pull the rug out from under the board of naturopathic medicine by negating ALL of the most salient provisions approved in the last session so I won't waste your time by reiterating them all.

I will just beg you.....DON'T LET THEM DO THIS!!

There is a place in the general wellness spectrum for MANY approaches to health and healing. Only the patients suffer in this foolish war against a choice that obviously more and more people are making. The news is full of praise and substantive approbation for the benefits of complementary and alternative healthcare and last year you made it possible to advance this cause for the citizens of Hawaii.

The people have spoken and all that remains is to empower the naturopathic practitioners with their considerable training to do their healing work and assure that appropriate standards are maintained. These standards must be set and enforced by those who best understand the goals and methods of their healing art....the dedicated naturopathic physicians themselves!

SB2489 will destroy this process and TOTALLY negate your previous efforts. You did your homework then and responded to the needs of your constituents. PLEASE HAVE THE GUTS AND BRAINS TO DO IT AGAIN!!

Thank you in advance for your perseverance.
Lois Cain

From: Theresa Tur [theresatur@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 12:17 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489

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Theresa Turetzky
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Health Committee
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Dear Honorable Senator Ige and Honorable Senator Green:

RE: Opposition to SB2489, Hearing for Feb. 3, 2010, 3:00 PM

I OPPOSE SB2489 and HB2312.

Aren't there laws already in place which prevent one profession from manipulating, suppressing or influencing the practice of another profession? Didn't we have this same scenario when the Hawaii Medical Society attempted to suppress the chiropractic profession? Isn't that why Boards are established in order to regulate their own profession and write the rules and regulations pertaining to such? So the Board of Medicine is trying to manipulate the Board of Naturopathy?

Licensing laws were established in this state which stated that Naturopathic Physicians may practice according to the methods and standards that are taught at the licensed schools. According to our Board the licensing laws are not keeping pace with what is being taught in the schools over the last 20 years. Naturopathic Physicians are not asking for any special privileges. They are only asking to be able to practice according to what they are taught in the Naturopathic Colleges.

I OPPOSE SB2489 and HB2312.

Sincerely,
Theresa Turetzky

From: Madeleine Portuondo [Dr.portuondo@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 4:17 PM
To: senige@capitol.hawaii.gov; Sen. Josh Green; HTHTestimony
Subject: Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

David Y. Ige
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Committee on Health

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 03:00 PM

Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Aloha Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

I am a concerned citizen of Hawaii, and I am writing in STRONG OPPOSITION of SB2489.

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

SB2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization of HRS 455.

Opposition of SB2489 would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as they are trained to.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

From: Thomas Beebe [thomas@hvh.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 3:57 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please vote NO to SB2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

We the people must have access to progressive health care modalities. Naturopathic Medicine has proven itself to be both cost effective and clinically successful at preventing and treating serious illnesses. ND practitioners and their patients, your constituents, deserve the gains given to the profession in 2009.

I urge you to not allow the HMA to take back these critical treatment options as proposed in SB2489. If you do, you will be contributing to the harmful grip they have on our health care system. The current system has been failing for years and we need change. Please, vote with your conscious, not with big business.

Please vote NO to SB2489

Mahalo,

Thomas Beebe

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From: Leslie Hayashi [leslie@lava.net]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 9:33 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: I strongly oppose SB2489....

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members:

I am a Hawaii resident – and long time naturopathic patient - writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

I can personally attest to the effectiveness of naturopathic treatments and believe naturopathic physicians provide invaluable care.

I am aware that last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

Many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are a vital part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,
Leslie A. Hayashi

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From: Kent Izuka [kizuka@me.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:23 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen. Green, Vice Chair, and Committee Members,

I am writing because I am in **opposition to S.B. No. 2489**, regarding naturopathic medicine.

There are many corruptions in this country, and sadly, Western medicine is a part of that. The connections between large drug companies and some doctors end up forcing diagnoses on patients prematurely. Naturopathic medicine offers an option to a healthier life without prescription drugs being pushed on us. Wouldn't anyone want to take a "natural remedy" to improve their health, versus a prescription drug that may come along with harsh side effects?

Natural doctors check in with their patients physically as well as emotionally. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely,

Kent Izuka
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Honolulu, HI 96826

From: AileenLeonard Chinen [RFriendsLife@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 12:57 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB2489 (ref: Naturopathic Medicine) (Please do not ignore my email...thank you!)

Ms. Aileen Chinen
PO Box 1114
Pearl City, HI 96782

February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489
Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I very strongly urge you to oppose SB2489 which relates to naturopathic medicine. I am aware of how this bill could negatively affect naturopathic medicine and its standards. PLEASE do NOT allow this bill to pass!

Naturopathic physicians, like my naturopathic physician, are highly medically trained. Why is HMA bringing this up? Why are our leaders wanting to pass this??? IS CONTROLLING THE MONEY SOURCE HMA's MAIN REASON!!!! I'm very upset. Let the people make their own decisions. Let me make my own decision with my own health and life! I trust and believe that physicians, both under HMA and naturopathic practices, are both trained to treat people the best they possibly can.

The citizens of Hawaii have demanded access to quality naturopathic care because our naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. As the most highly trained of healthcare practitioners in preventive medicine, they are uniquely qualified to collaborate with other healthcare professionals in providing truly complimentary and integrative healthcare. Please do not limit, suppress, oppress, or bind my choice and my doctors, regular or naturopathic, from treating me! I chose to try treatment from a naturopathic doctor and my health has improved.

SB2489 would have many negative consequences on the quality of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, drastically reducing our naturopathic physicians' (and my naturopathic doctor's) capacity to effectively serve the public (and me), and limiting Hawaii's ability to attract top-quality naturopathic physicians. As a result, it would greatly diminish the overall quality of healthcare in our state.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing of your opposition to SB2489!

Sincerely yours,
Aileen Chinen

From: Jason Obenchain [jason_obenchain@bluebottle.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:30 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to state an OPPOSITION to the SB2489 bill introduced by the Hawaii Medical Association.

Naturopathic physicians are now able to practice primary care medicine as trained.

I ask that you allow them to practice WITHOUT the restrictions mentioned in SB2489, such as blocking their ability to do parenteral therapy, minor surgery and naturopathic formulary (vitamins, minerals, dietary supplements, botanical medicine, homeopathic medicine, hormones, and those legend drugs consistent with naturopathic medical practice).

The practice of naturopathic medicine is safe, as is a well-trained naturopathic physician. The introduction of SB2489 can only be monetary in nature, attempting to protect the profits of the companies associated with "big pharma" and conventional medicine.

I ask that you allow Hawaii residents to have the freedom to choose their primary care provider and allow naturopathic physicians to practice naturopathic medicine freely.

Sincerely,

Jason Obenchain
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From: Keya Guimaraes [keya13@me.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 6:40 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: TESTIMONY 2489

Aloha Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

IN THIS TIME OF STRAINED HEALTH CARE, PLEASE DO NOT LEGISLATE-AWAY OUR CHOICES! Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools -- they are not WITCH DOCTORS or QUACKS. If your own experience with naturopathic medicine is LIMITED, that should not dictate how and who I choose as my primary care physician.

When you look at the statistics of disease in children and adults, the medical community often identifies PREVENTATIVE healthcare as one of the major factors in REVERSING this trend. Naturopath doctors work wholly from this perspective, addressing the WHOLE BODY system, not just pathology.

I am a Kaua`i resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Me ke aloha,

Keya GUIMARAES
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From: Cherisse Otsuka [ccotsuka@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 9:41 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to SB2489

Cherisse Otsuka
PO Box 2633

Dear Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health:

My family and I have believed in the practice of utilizing both western and eastern medical practices to optimize health and wellness.

At a time when our economy faces tough times, it is not only important to focus on healing illness, but proper health maintenance and wellness for mind, body and spirit. Focusing on maintaining health can help keep people at work, increase productivity, and therefore help our economy even further. As much as people should be free to choose their religion in America, along those lines are the importance of choosing the type of health care they receive with the benefits afforded any other healthcare received. Beyond that, the proper procedures and practices of naturopathic medicine should be overseen by authorities with a background in this field of medicine.

Please oppose SB2489.

From: Mariya Gold [mariyakai@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 12:06 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSING SB2489

Aloha Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members-

I am writing in **opposition to SB 2489**, regarding limits to the scope of practice of naturopathic physicians. Naturopathic physicians are just that, physicians, and should be allowed to practice what they are extensively trained to do. SB2489 puts unnecessary limitations on naturopathic physicians, which essentially puts limitations on our health care as a whole. The Hawai'i State naturopathic law that passed last year was imperative to the state's progress as a forward-looking, modern, open-minded state that recognizes the importance of the advancement and integration of its medical community, and thus the health of its Hawai'i ohana.

For your health and mine, please **OPPOSE SB 2489**.

Mahalo for your time and consideration of such an important issue.

Mariya Kai Gold

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"I believe that imagination is stronger than knowledge -- myth is more potent than history -- dreams are more powerful than facts -- hope always triumphs over experience -- laughter is the cure for grief -- love is stronger than death." Robert Fulghum

From: alan levy [alanlevy13@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:55 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: oppose SB2489..

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

My name is Alan Levy, a registered voter in the State of Hawaii. I oppose SB2489!

I am in favor of having the freedom and the right to choose Naturopathic Medicine in the United States of America and in our Aloha State! Naturopathic Medicine works! Please make medicine that actually heals with little or no adverse side effects legal for Hawaiian Citizens! Please allow the mothers and fathers who have the best interest for their family members choose the type of health care for their children. Do not pass SB248 or create government laws that take the power of the family and people's choice to be healthy away from them! Our government is by the people, vote no on SB2489 for the people, and not for special interests that don't have the best interest for our Hawaiian Citizens Health and Wellbeing.

Thank You

Alan Levy

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From: Mark and Carolyn Arnold [arnoldhi@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:45 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

SB2489 would have many negative consequences on the quality of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, drastically reducing our naturopathic physicians' capacity to effectively serve the public, and limiting Hawaii's ability to attract top-quality naturopathic physicians. As a result, it would greatly diminish the overall quality of healthcare in our state.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing of your opposition to SB2489.

Carolyn and Mark Arnold
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From: steelsmith@hawaii.rr.com
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 3:02 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Vote AGAINST SB 2489

From: Alex Steelsmith
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February 1, 2010

To: David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Other Esteemed Members of the Senate Committee on Health

Re: Please Vote AGAINST SB 2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (The hearing on this bill is scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Rm. 016)

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

Please vote AGAINST SB 2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would reduce the quality of healthcare in Hawaii by removing the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish important standards for the naturopathic profession. Only the board of naturopathic medicine has the appropriate awareness of issues specific to the practice of naturopathic medicine to act with authority in this regard. It is the natural duty of the naturopathic board to regulate naturopathic physicians, and it would be inappropriate to allow any other group or entity to do so.

Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are more than sufficiently trained to practice under our existing law. They have extensive training at nationally accredited naturopathic medical schools, and are licensed as primary care physicians who diagnose and treat disease. Last year's modernization of Hawaii's naturopathic medicine law has finally allowed our naturopathic physicians to practice according to their training, and according to standards that have long been honored in other states.

Last year the citizens of Hawaii resoundingly demanded legislative changes that give them greater access to quality naturopathic care. Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are a valuable part of our healthcare system, uniquely qualified to work with other types of health professionals to provide integrative healthcare. SB 2489 would undermine the value of last year's modernization of our naturopathic law, have dire consequences for the practice of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, and significantly reduce the overall quality of healthcare available in our state. Please vote against SB 2489.

Sincerely,
Alex Steelsmith

From: jacqueline Johnson [sweetpeafairy@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:27 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB2489

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Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

My life was saved by naturopathic medicine. Our freedom to receive the type of medicine we want is an important part of our freedom as American Citizens....

I am writing to strongly urge your opposition to SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would be detrimental to Hawaii's healthcare consumers because it would remove the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary. Only the board of naturopathic medicine can use this authority with appropriate awareness of the issues unique to the naturopathic medical profession. It is clearly the responsibility of the naturopathic board to regulate naturopathic physicians, and it would be inappropriate to allow any other entity to do so.

Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are more than adequately trained to practice under our existing law. They have extensive training at nationally accredited naturopathic medical schools, and they are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians who diagnose and treat disease. They receive standard medical school training in the sciences - the same basic sciences taught in conventional medical schools, including conventional methods of physical, clinical, and laboratory diagnosis. They are trained in vitamin therapies given by injection, as well as in the prescribing of certain drugs. They also study in-depth a wide range of approaches to disease prevention, completing four years of study that includes clinical nutrition, pharmacology, cardiology, oncology, gastroenterology, neurology, and endocrinology. At the same time, they are required to complete 1,200 hours of clinical training in primary care outpatient settings before passing national licensing exams.

Last year's modernization of Hawaii's naturopathic medicine law allows our naturopathic physicians to practice according to their training as primary care physicians - and according to standards that have long been upheld in other states. For many years naturopathic physicians in other states have had the right to prescribe medications, do minor surgery, and do injections (both intramuscular and intravenous).

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Sincerely yours, Jacqueline Johnson 20 Kamani Kai place, Kailua, Hawaii.....

From: Sarah Johnson [sjohnson75@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 3:39 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

Sarah Johnson
February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to strongly urge your opposition to SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. It is time everyone's values and beliefs in Hawaii are supported. I choose naturopathic medicine for my healthcare because it is what I believe in. There are many of us in Hawaii that share my same beliefs. Please do not take away another public good for the people of Hawaii.

Aloha!
Sarah Johnson

From: MZZ [galaxygrrl@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 1:36 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSE SB2489 and HB2312

Dear Senator Ige and Senator Green:

RE: Opposition to SB2489, Hearing for Feb. 3, 2010, 3:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Marilyn Wong-Zorn

Kaneohe, Hawaii

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Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:02 PM
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Sincerely,

Rosemary Graham-Gardner

Liaisons USA
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From: Marianne George [george.mimi@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:40 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: No to SB2489

It is outrageous that this bill proposes to reverse a decision that fully complied with all steps and a decision was made after long and fair consideration. SB2489 will make it impossible for Hawaii residents to receive just the very services we need and only naturopathic physicians can offer us.

Sincerely, Marianne George
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From: GEORGE COOKE [ukulele_gippys@msn.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 9:28 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to SB2489, Hearing for Feb.3, 2010, at 3:00 PM

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George Cooke

From: Louis Korn [loukorn@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 2:13 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489

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to Committee on SB 2489 HTH, CPN

re Naturopathic Medicine scheduled for 3 February 2010

from Louis Korn, PO Box 851, Naalehu HI 96772; 808-929-9938

Centenarian Christine West says she lives so long because "I don't take any medicine." (AARP Jan-Feb Bulletin, P. 3) We've all heard of people who attribute their long, healthy lives to "never seeing a doctor." But I, now 80, owe my life to several allopathic interventions from the age of 2 until early 70s. Using only nutritional supplements, I have never been ill since. (I take sublingual B 12 for pernicious anemia; and rejected Flomax and surgery, preferring the very bothersome symptoms of an enlarged prostate to the risks of either of those options.) Clearly there is need for allopathy and naturopathy.

I see the health care crisis in this country as being deeply rooted in the corporate corruption of our government, recently exacerbated by the Supreme Court's decision that allows the huge megaphone of corporate money to overwhelm political debate. Long before that decision, corporate money has made millionaires of many congress people and policy making appointees, resulting in our degraded, poisoned environment, and a sickening agribusiness and food industry. The documentary Food Inc. factually revolting, should be mandatory viewing for health care workers and legislators. (available wherever DVDs are sold and in libraries)

Doctors of Naturopathy study the effects of food and supplements on health for years, while for M.D.s it is a marginal requirement of a few weeks. The medical profession has increasingly come to be seen as a lucrative business, processing assembly lines of patients, each seen for about 10 minutes, and prescribing highly lobbied pills. Our per capita medical costs are far higher than any developed nation's. Our child mortality is also higher, and average longevity lower. (same AARP issue and page)

Allopathy's domination of naturopathy is unwarranted. Their formularies are generally superior to corporate brands'. Please scrap this bill.

Sincerely,

Louis Korn

From: allison conachen [allison.conachen@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:02 PM
To: senige@capitol.hawaii.gov; Sen. Josh Green; HTHTestimony
Subject: Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

David Y. Ige
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Committee on Health

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 03:00 PM

Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Aloha Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

I am a concerned citizen of Hawaii, and I am writing in STRONG OPPOSITION of SB2489.

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

SB2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization of HRS 455.

Opposition of SB2489 would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as they are trained to.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

From: autumn lee [wynniejoy@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 9:11 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSE SB 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident in Mililani. I PREFER naturopathic medicine and physicians. My first two children were born at home, delivered by a midwife working under a naturopathic physician. Finally, my former husband said I had to go to the hospital for our third child -- to save money -- so our medical insurance would cover it.

The only reason I have to go to doctors that prescribe pharmaceutical drugs and invasive procedures is because my medical insurance doesn't cover naturopathic physicians.

Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

I understand that last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements. Please don't take away those improvements!

Sincerely yours,
Wynnie Joy Hee
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Mililani, HI 96789
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From: Katherine Grainger [katgrain@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 7:46 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to SB2489

I oppose SB2489

I am an individual family member of HMSA paying approximately \$800 per month for health care for my family. I subscribe to a prevention program of health care focusing on proper nutrition, exercise and activities that promote good health and mental health such as yoga, relaxation techniques and living a well-balanced drug and alcohol-free lifestyle. My primary means of medical care is through a naturopath who helps me with digestive issues and the onset of perimenopause as well as guidance and treatment for my teen-age daughters for acne and occasional colds and flu. I pay for insurance to cover treatment as needed for flu or any other unforeseen medical expenses. I feel my expenses for prevention through my naturopath should be covered as they eliminate the need for present and future medical expenses associated with these same issues and future issues that could arise if I weren't seeking this help.

In addition, I have an aging mother that has never paid attention to neither exercise or nutrition who takes countless prescribed medications for diabetes, diverticulitis (which I hope to avoid with diet and exercise) as well as pain killers for pain from intestinal polyps and an ankle that she severely broke 3 years ago. I am certain that she has an addiction to the narcotic painkillers and that they exacerbate the problems with her digestion. I shudder to think of the expense that she is causing the health care system and I know she represents the problem with a system that focuses on treatment rather than prevention as prescribed by a naturopathic approach.

I oppose SB2489 and so should you!

Sincerely,

Katherine Grainger
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From: jan elliott [janhb@ix.netcom.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 8:04 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB2489

Jan D. Elliott
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February 1, 2010

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Jan D. Elliott

From: Teresa Johnston [taj@esotericconsultant.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:45 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489

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From: Jennifer Perry [ciaojperry@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:42 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Fw: Urgent: Your Immediate Response Needed

Jennifer, Malia, and Rosemarie Perry
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Sincerely yours,

Jennifer, Malia, and Rosemarie

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Aoi Kawano

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Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:57 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489
Attachments: emma_grey.gif; powered_dk_grey.gif

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First a personal note. I took a medical reference class some years ago. But I still remember my surprise at how often "Medical Truth" turned out to be WRONG. I also noticed a huge difference between British Medical Journals and our American medical journals -- I suspected all the ads from Food Manufacturers had something to do with that. As far as "studies" go -- you get what you pay for! No, I am not cynical. Just smart. Please don't let current "Medical Truth" stamp out their idea of what's unorthodox.

Thanks! Margie Smith

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From: Vernon Okada [vernon.okada@uokada.com]
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February 2, 2010

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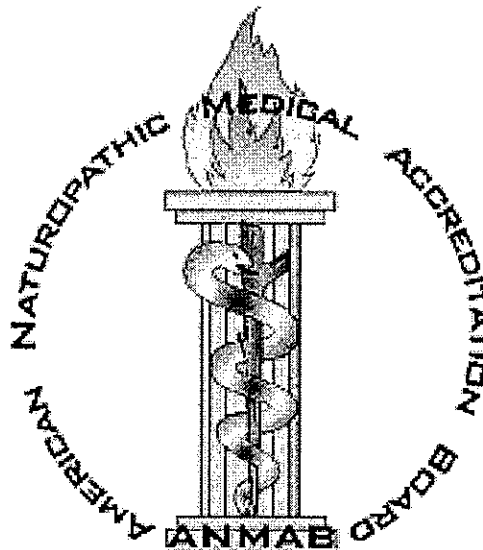
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Both programs have their advantages, and disadvantages. Recently both have offered programs "online". Online programs have solved certain credibility issues for those earning degree's outside of the resident programs.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I get Certified after completing a program at an ANMAB approved school?

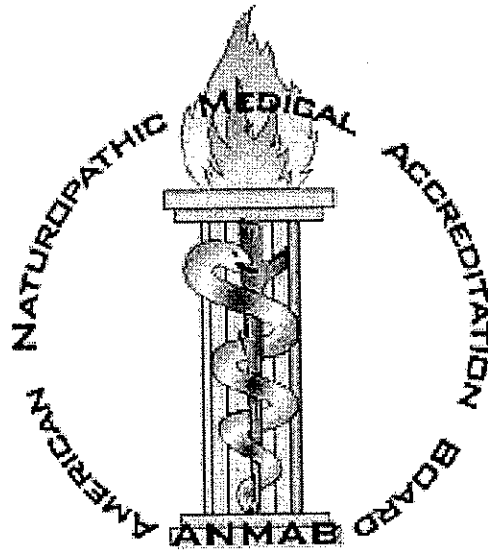
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Admissions Department: 1-800-995-4590

Website: www.ccnh.edu

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Category: Non-Traditional

Accredited since: 1996

Accredited Program(s):

Doctor of Naturopathy Program

The following programs are currently offered:

Degree Programs

Bachelor of Science in Natural Health

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Certificate Programs

Iridology: Theory & Practice

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Holistic Care for Companion Animals

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Please visit Clayton College of Natural Health's website for a current listing of courses and programs offered.

Are you aware many schools are BS programs

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There have been many times when I have turned to naturopathic medicine for a cure. I would like to continue to have that option.

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If you are truly concerned rising health care costs it is important for you to understand that the Naturopathic Physicians preventative approach to health is one that could save billions and elevate the health of Hawaii's citizens to a new level of wellness.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Aloha,
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Please, Please do not limit our options for health care. Please oppose SB2489. Thank you for listening,

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February 1, 2010

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February 1, 2010

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Subject: Urge your opposition to SB2489: Please support Naturopathic medicine

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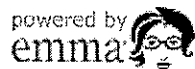
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Sincerely yours,
Jennifer K. Olson
Kailua, Hawai'i

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WHAT WOULD YOU ATTEMPT TO DO IF YOU KNEW YOU COULD NOT FAIL?

From: alohakah@aol.com
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 2:17 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: *****SPAM***** PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

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To: HTHTestimony
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Erin Connell

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From: Richard Rakin [rakinrj@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:55 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: OPPOSE SB2489 Bill on Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

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Richard J Rakin
92-1248 Palahia Street unit S205
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707
February 2, 2010

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From: amy shikata [as1008@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:21 PM
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Amy Shikata

From: M S [worldtoogive@yahoo.com]
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other doctors (MD and DO) in the mainstream care centers are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

That would be a serious step backwards.

Thank you for your consideration. **Please Oppose SB 2489.**

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Melissa Shaw, DVM

P.O. Box 20

Hanalei, HI 96714

From: Ann Tamashiro [puakeniken3@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 3:53 PM
To: HTHTestimony

Kira Tamashiro
802 North King St.
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Sincerely yours,
Kira Tamashiro

From: Heather Sandison [hmalia@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 8:17 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Heather Sandison
59-526 Aukauka Rd. Haleiwa, HI 96712
February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

As a patient of a Naturopathic Physician and someone who strongly values their role as my families' health care provider I am forever grateful that Hawaii has licensed Naturopaths. I believe that SB2489 is misguided and would do a great disservice to Hawaii's people if passed.

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From: Carol Denego [highroad1111@earthlink.net]
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Subject: Opposition to SB 2489, hearing sched. 2.3.10

Carol Denego
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To: HTHTestimony
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Mahalo,
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VIA EMAIL: HTHTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov

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February 1, 2010

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Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

Perhaps you are also reaching the age where health issues seem to be increasing. My current issue is osteoporosis and the status quo treatment of taking calcium supplements would exacerbate my condition because it is unacceptable to me. It is such a blessing to have my naturopathic physician, Dr. Laurie Steelsmith, work with me through diet, education, and natural remedies like sunlight to get Vitamin D and weight training to strengthen my bones.

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--Susan Jaworowski

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Sincerely yours, Katy Kaneshiro

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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair, and Committee Members,

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Sincerely,

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Why do you think you need to legislate us into prison camps of limited decisions ?

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Importance: High

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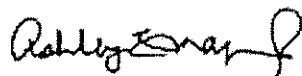
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Although I have HMSA insurance for unforeseen emergencies, I rely almost entirely on naturopathic medicine because I *choose* to care for myself and my family this way. Citizens should be allowed to choose whatever forms of health care they desire, especially by very well-trained naturopathic doctors. Allopathic medicine is only one model among many. Please do not be swayed by the special interests of big-money insurance companies.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,



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From: Lisa Ching [alisaching@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 12:34 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: oppose SB2489.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

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From: april@manalane.com
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Subject: *opposition to S.B. No. 2489*
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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your *opposition to S.B. No. 2489* as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care.

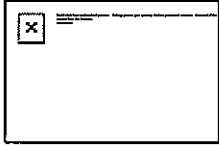
Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please *Oppose SB 2489*.

Sincerely yours,

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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSE SB 2489



Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Beth Gonzalez 



From: Maile Horita [mokuola@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:33 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB2489

Aloha Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen. Green, Vice Chair, and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Just last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. I urge you to please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Mahalo,

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From: Angelina Keighley [angelina96734@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:44 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Bill SB 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine. Naturopathic physicians in Hawaii have been able to help me with serious health issues in ways that complement the care my MD is providing. They are a valuable and necessary part of healthcare in Hawaii.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,
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From: Shawndra Holmberg [shawndra@dhucks.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:23 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine
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SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine. We need health care professionals here on the Big Island.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

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Original Message

From: Lia B [liabettag@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 4:36 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to S.B. No. 2489

To: Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee
Dear Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine. I work at an Acupuncturist's clinic and witness firsthand everyday the benefits of naturopathic medicine. Without acupuncture, just as a small example, many people of this state would remain ill and/or in pain .

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.
Please Oppose SB 2489.

Mahalo for your consideration
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From: Kimo Takura [newtooahu@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 3:42 PM
To: senige@capitol.hawaii.gov; Sen. Josh Green; HTHTestimony
Subject: Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

David Y. Ige
Josh Green
Committee on Health

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 03:00 PM

Strong opposition to SB2489, Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Aloha Chair Ige, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

I am a concerned citizen of Hawaii, and I am writing in STRONG OPPOSITION of SB2489.

Please do not allow the ND scope of practice to be compromised...

Last year the legislature passed SB420 SD2, HD2 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine which was subsequently vetoed by Governor Linda Lingle and then overridden during special session by the Senate with a vote of 25 ayes to 0 noes with one reservation and by the House with 45 ayes to 2 noes, with 4 excused to create Act 22 on 7-15-2009. Act 22 amends chapter 455 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS 455) to modernize the naturopathic medicines scope of practice to include parenteral therapy, minor office procedures and for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to develop a prescription formulary.

SB2489 seeks to eliminate this modernization of HRS 455.

Opposition of SB2489 would allow naturopathic physicians to continue to practice primary care medicine as they are trained to.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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From: Andrea Bolton [andrea@youractivelife.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 3:10 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to SB 2489!

To:
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Josh Green, MD., Vice Chair

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen. Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

I believe naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools and are highly qualified medical professionals. In 2009 the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was updated to better reflect their scope of practice, and unfortunately S.B. No. 2489 is promoting the removal of these improvements.

With the current state of the economy many qualified physicians are leaving our state for greener pastures (i.e. states with legislation that encourage their continued practice). As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system and our economy. Other types of doctors that are not limited by legislation are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. By restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training S.B. No. 2489 will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state and increase patient load on unrestricted doctors.

I ask that you OPPOSE S.B. No. 2489.

Sincerely,

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From: Jeanne Wheeler [aiannanoa@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:07 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: re: S.B. No. 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

As a Hawaii resident and concerned citizen who would like to be able to choose holistic therapies and/or treatments, I am writing to ask that you please oppose **S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

I feel very fortunate to have several Naturopath friends (and a veterinarian sister), and have complete confidence in their quality of care - as I know they have received extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. I was so pleased when the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized last year to better reflect their scope of practice - and now SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements...!

As economic conditions continue to compel many physicians to leave the state, I am personally troubled about our remaining care options. As naturopaths are general practitioners licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, they are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Many other doctors are swamped by the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical treatment. To restrict naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will only further decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state - how could that possibly serve the greater public welfare?

Again, I ask that you please **Oppose SB 2489**. Thank you for your consideration....

Sincerely,

Jeanne Wheeler
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From: Malia M. Cox [hawnprincess@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 3:20 PM
To: HTHTestimony

Dear Honorable Senator. Ige, Senator Green, and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

The lives of my two children with severe food/environmental allergies have benefited from tremendously from the care that they have received from naturopathic doctors. Our children suffered for several years before we decided to turn to non-western medicine. While we still continue to see traditional western doctors, we have found that the methodology/care provided by their NDs has allowed them to thrive rather than just deal the impacts of their allergies after the fact. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state by reducing choice.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Malia M. Cox,

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Subject: oppose SB2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

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From: Debbie Teruya [debbieteruya@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 9:31 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Senator Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a very concerned citizen, writing in opposition to S.B.No 2489 as it relates to Naturopathic Medicine.

I strongly feel that my Naturopathic Doctor Dr. Ryan Ferchoff is very knowledgeable in his practice and I owe my thanks to him for his weightloss program. Thanks to him, I can feel good about myself. He has helped me by dispensing pills for my sore back, migraine headache, and much much more.

In support of all the other Naturopathic Doctors, Please oppose SB 2489

Dorinda Teruya
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From: Varsha [oceanart@flex.com]
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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB 2489.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

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From: Cassandra Fraser [cassandra_fraser@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 11:05 AM
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Subject: URGENT - TESTIMONY RE: SB 2489

TO: THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

RE: BILL SB2489, RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE, which attempts to remove the authority of the Board of Naturopathic Medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident, a concerned citizen, a voter, and a business consultant specializing in health care practitioners and products in the islands. I am also the mother of a child who suffered from Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia at age 4. My son is 26 now, and he is strong and healthy. His life was saved by the use of a comprehensive combination of allopathic medicine (chemo), herbal medicine, homeopathic medicine and Chinese medicine, administered by a naturopath. He had cancer for 4 years, and during that time, while under chemotherapy, he was the healthiest child in school, never missing a day due to any illness because we supported and maintained his health with naturopathic medicine. My son is living proof that it takes the skill of western medicine and the ancient practices of other healing modalities for optimum health.

Naturopaths are extremely well trained, capable practitioners, many of whom have multiple specialties. They are eminently capable of carrying out all of the procedures and practices they were trained for. They are willing also to be allies to other medical modalities, and deserve to be respected and recognized for the qualifications they have.

Perhaps most importantly, they are experts in Preventative Medicine, which is the path to navigating our way through the economic crisis our medical system is in, which will only become worse as the population ages and the tax base decreases. It makes good financial and political sense to back Naturopaths, the people who will be able to keep the health care system rolling while the economy is sorted out.

Further, with the current state of the economy, many allopathic physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system and are becoming even more so. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the people of our beloved Hawai'i.

Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements. It is for these reasons I am strongly urging you to **oppose S.B. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you promptly regarding any reasons you are considering this bill at all. If you are being lobbied, or pressured at a political level, as a voter I wish to hear about it, in detail, so that I can support you in making a good decision based of facts and not pressure. I thank you in advance for your time in responding.

In closing, I ask you once again to please **Oppose SB 2489**.

With warmest aloha,

Cassandra Fraser,
Harmony Consulting
Maui, Hawai'i

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From: Darlene Rodrigues [darlene.rodrigues@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 11:32 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: S.B. No. 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine. As part of my medical care, I routinely go to Naturopathic Physician here in Honolulu.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Aloha,
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From: Aya Nakajima [missaya@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 11:42 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please OPPOSE S.B. No.2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen. Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,
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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Beverly Hashimoto

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From: Roy Arakaki [rarakaki@hccsmg.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 2:17 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: S.B. No. 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee

Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your OPPOSITION to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you very much for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

Charlotte M. Arakaki

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From: Roberta Izuka [rni808@gmail.com]
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Subject: Oppose SB2489
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,
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Sincerely yours,

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Sincerely yours,
Angelina Brown
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To: SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

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Naturopathic physicians are an important part of maintaining health, and are often the preferred methodology for some health concerns. Please protect our right to choose our own health care and to support the rights of these doctors.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Genie Joseph
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Subject: S. B. No. 2489

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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine. I have seen naturopathic doctors and attribute my health in part to their expertise.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Carol Collette

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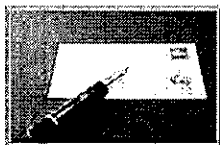
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Sincerely yours,

Renee Thorne
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From: Ellen Ostler [eostler@tmghawaii.com]
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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Oppose SB No. 2489
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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a very concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine. For over 30 years, I have turned to naturopathic medicine because of all the severe side effects and health problems caused by conventional medicine/prescription drugs.

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Please **Oppose SB 2489**. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,
Ellen Ostler
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Honolulu, HI 96822

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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

I believe naturopathic physicians should be allowed to practice according to their training and that citizens of this state should have a choice in their healthcare system. The need for healthcare professionals that can provide basic medical care is ever increasing, as many physicians are leaving Hawaii. As we look for alternative sources of energy, we also need to embrace alternative sources of quality healthcare. We need to attract and keep qualified healthcare professionals.

Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
Sterling Leong
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Honolulu, HI 96826

From: Sasha Williams [sasha@balancingbirth.com]
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I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect the scope of practice for which they are trained. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements, and it is a step in the wrong direction. My family has relied upon naturopathic doctors to provide primary care since 2002, and we have found their medical treatment approach both sound and sometimes even superior to that of other medical doctors. I urge you to maintain the integrity of the gains made in 2009 which expand the legal practices of naturopathic physicians in the State of Hawai'i.

With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. They provide another option for families seeking treatment, and it is your duty to preserve the rights of the citizens of Hawai'i not only to choose their health care providers, but to maximize the effectiveness of those healthcare practitioners by allowing them to practice within the full scope of their training.

Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care.

Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

Alexandra Williams

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From: Shirley Long [lanaigirl@hotmail.com]
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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: S.B. No.2489

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Sincerely yours,

Shirley Sakoda Long

P.S. Senator Ige. I was diagnosed with breast cancer in August. After consultations with four oncologist/radiologist and doing some research, I have decided not to do radiation and am taking naturopathic supplements. These doctors play a vital role in our medical field. What ever support you can give them will be rewarded many times over. Please Oppose SB 2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Winnie Young
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Rebecca Paterson

St. Louis Heights

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

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From: ferchoff@gmail.com on behalf of Amy Nuggent [amy@apothicare.com]
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Amy Nuggent

3135 E. Manoa Rd.

Honolulu, HI 96822

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Naturopathic doctors have added to my life and health care. Please do not allow this bill to go through. It would not be good for myself, the community and Hawaii. Please Oppose this bill.

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Sincerely yours,

Bill Garret

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Sincerely yours,

Suzy Howard

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Sincerely yours,

James Dixon

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Sincerely yours,

Dan Fred
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Sincerely yours,

Sheila Sorenson

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Weight Loss Retreat Center

Honolulu, HI

From: Dara Thompson [drdarathompson@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:45 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Dara Thompson N.D.

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Hilo, HI 96720

From: kay lark [karlotta50@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 11:13 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: S.B. No. 2489 testimony

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee

Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, and a professional senior home caregiver writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Karla Kral,

3237A Castle St, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

From: ferchoff@gmail.com on behalf of RYAN [ryan@ferchs.com]
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Subject: OPPOSITION to SB2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Ryan Ferchs

Ferchs Malt Shoppe

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Betsy Khalsa

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From: Ane Takaha [bhaktirocks@sbcglobal.net]
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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489

TO: Senate Committee on Health

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair and Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

SB2489 Regarding Naturapatic Medicine

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Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements. My primary care physician is a naturopath and I would have it no other way. I am treated with kindness and care and don't feel like I am on an assembly line.

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Thank you. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Ane Takaha

3378 Kaha Drive, Kihei, HI 96753

From: Siu Wai Tsang [siuwai5@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:59 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSITION to SB2489

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I am limited on medical care and coverage, and use naturopaths as my primary care providers. By changing the bill, this would limit the standard of care that I receive as well as my children. They are a great asset to hawaii.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Siu Wai Tsang

3130 woodlawn dr

96822

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Regards,

Siu Wai

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Fax: (866) 503-4341

From: siuwai5@gmail.com on behalf of Siu Wai Tsang [SiuWai@Ferchoff.com]
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Siuwai Tsang-Ferchoff
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Honolulu, HI 96822

From: Gerry Pellegrini [gpq.italtema@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 6:46 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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Sincerely yours

Gerry Pellegrini
3794 J Ahonui Pl
Princeville, HI 96722

From: gregg blue [gblue@aloha.net]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 5:12 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Oppose

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Sincerely yours,

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Haiku, HI 96708

From: Pat Aiona Jr [aionacars1@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 5:34 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

Pat G. Aiona Jr.

1280 Moku Pl.
Hilo, HI 96720

From: Dr. Ryan Ferchoff, N.M.D. [ferchoff@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:56 PM
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Ryan Ferchoff

2752 Woodlawn Dr.

Honolulu, HI 96822

From: Britta Zimmer [britzim@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 9:59 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSITION to SB2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Britta Zimmer

280 Kulana St. Hilo, HI 96720

From: Aina-Mei [ainakauai@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:05 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: S.B. no. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine. As a Kauai resident I have received excellent health care from a Naturopathic physician.

Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. They focus on holistic health and preventative medicine. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Aina-Mei Koppel

From: Wendy Okazaki [wokazaki@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 9:48 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE-OPPOSE

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
Wendy Okazaki
47-666 Hui Alala St.
Kaneohe, HI 96744

From: V. Mariano [marianop001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 8:20 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489

Dear Senator Ige, Chair; Senator Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing against **S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Naturopathic physicians have medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawaii State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

For the past four years, I have been under the care of a naturopathic physician. She has helped me extensively for my blood pressure and gastrointestinal problems. Traditional medications provided by medical physicians has given me other symptomatic problems; multiplying my health problems. I believe naturopathic physicians provide a good alternative to health care when traditional medications provide nothing more than complicate the health problem.

As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state.

Please vote against SB 2489.

Sincerely,
Valerie Mariano
1800-C Vancouver Drive
Honolulu, HI 96822

From: Wendy Pellegrini [wendypellegrini@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 8:15 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please oppose SB 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident and a concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
Wendy Pellegrini
3794 J Ahonui Place
Princeville HI 96722

From: Frank Cunningham [frank.bubba1@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:04 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine

Aloha Sen Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

As a Hawaii resident and concerned citizen, I am writing to strongly to urge your opposition to S.B. No 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB2489 aims to remove these improvements.

As general practitioners who are licensed in the State of Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our health care system. With our current dismal economic conditions and the possibility of these conditions further deteriorating many physicians are leaving the state. This is placing a huge strain on our current health care system which in turn is not only making it difficult for many residents to receive basic medical care but forcing some others to have to forego timely treatment of current medical conditions. By placing restrictions on licensed naturopaths to provide their much needed medical services, would not only be a disservice to the residents of this state but a decision that could very well lead to exacerbating a serious health care issue to a crises condition.

As a personal note I've been using naturopathic medicine for many, many years an attribute my current state of excellent health to having this health option available to me.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **OPPOSE SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,
Frank Cunningham
2985 Kaohe Rd.
Kilauea, HI 96754

From: Bob Hoevel [btshoevel@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:46 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Oppose SB 2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours, Bob Hoevel

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From: Karen Joy Backinoff [kjoyback@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:44 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Naturopathic Medicine Bill SB No. 2849
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Name Karen Joy Backinoff

Address 6286 Helena Lane, Kapaa HI 96746

Hawaii Society of Naturopathic Physicians, 2395 S. Kihei Rd. #204, Kihei, HI 96753, USA

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Subject: SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH - SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

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Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a Hawaii resident, a Naturopathic Physician, a voter and concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

As a Naturopathic physicians I received 9 years of post-secondary training in health sciences, nutrition, and extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. I am as well continuing my education for the past two years in acupuncture and oriental medicine. Like most Hawaii naturopaths, I am well-trained in both Western and Eastern medicines of health care and benefit the public and my patients with my knowledge and expertise in the naturopathic medicine. Due to our advanced training we allow for a strong integration of health care for the entire health care profession. Last year, the Hawai'i State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

In Health,

Summer Baptist, ND
Naturopathic Physician

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Sincerely yours,

Sandra Fitzgerald
101 Barenaba Ln
Hilo, HI 96720

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

Date: Wednesday, February 3, 2010

Time: 3:00 pm

Place: Conference Room 016

RE: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wamsley

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Address: PO Box 223789, Princeville, Hawaii 96722

From: Jamie Yamagata [jamiyamagata@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:17 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: opposition to SB2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
Jamie Yamagata
284 Mananai Pl, Honolulu, HI 96818

From: a.s.d. Heinold [flowell7@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:14 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: opposition to S.B. No. 248

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I have been personally seeing a Naturopath with **great benefit** that includes supplements that I would unlikely access through other types of doctors. I do not want to see my supply end!!!

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Sincerely yours,

Susan Heinold

From: Thomas Corvo [tomcorvo@gmail.com]
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To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Fwd: oppose SB2489

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Subject: oppose SB2489
To: HTHTestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

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Sincerely yours,

Thomas Corvo
4016 Black Point Road
Honolulu, HI 96816

From: Jessica Schweig [jessica@pvthawaii.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 3:00 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSITION to SB2489 relating to Naturopathic Medicine

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Jessica Schweig
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Hilo, HI 96720

From: carlson.n@att.net
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 3:07 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Oppose S.B. No. 2489
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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely,
Norma Carlson
444 Nahua St #2209
Honolulu, HI 96815

RE: SB2489 - RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

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Many residents, like myself, prefer natural and homeopathic therapies as opposed to the drugs being pushed by big pharma and feel that we deserve this as a basic right. I wish to see Hawaii become a leader in providing health care and the passage of this bill will move us back to the last century.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Marilyn Mick

PO Box 15158, Honolulu, HI 96830

From: Joanna Renner [joankaus@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 3:37 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: *****SPAM*****

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee

Members,

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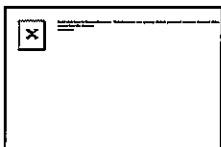
Joanna Renner

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JOANNA AND THOMAS RENNER
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HAWAII,96818
7853838145

Address

From: Theda Murata [tmurata353@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:48 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: OPPOSITION TO S.B. NO. 2489



Senator David Ige, Chair

Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

Committee Members:

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Sincerely yours,

A Concerned Citizen

From: Lauren Aoki [laoki68@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:44 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

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We should be able to CHOOSE what type of doctor we want to see as it is the Individuals CHOICE on how to best take care of their health. Government shouldn't restrict access to health care only because Naturopath's aren't controlled by the Pharmaceutical companies.

Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
L. Aoki

From: Jamie Oshiro [jamie.oshiro@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:21 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Bill SB2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
Jamie Oshiro
1801 10th Ave
Honolulu hi 96816

From: Dori Yamada [dayamada@hawaii.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:27 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: opposition to S.B. No. 2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Dori yamada
200 W Kawili Street
Hilo HI 96720

From: Thornton, Sharri [sharri.thornton@helcohi.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:56 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: opposition to S.B. No. 2489

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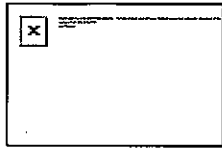
Sharri Thornton

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Hilo, Hi 96720

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From: Elizabeth Buck [ea_buck@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:46 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Naturopathic Physicians



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I have been helped considerably by the care of these physicians; I strongly believe that this would be a HUGE step backwards, PLEASE OPPOSE!!!

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Ann Buck

2110 Kakela Place
Honolulu, HI
96822

From: Tracy Wright Corvo [twc@tracywrightcorvo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:19 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: oppose SB2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Tracy Wright Corvo
4016 Black Point Road
Honolulu, HI 96816

From: Alex Borys [asborys@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:07 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to S.B. No. 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen. Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

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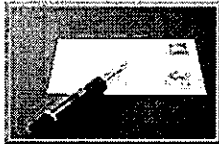
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Thank you for your time and consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

Alexandra Borys
371 Haili Street
Hilo, H 96720

From: Joann Shimabukuro [shimajo@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:05 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB 2489
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Sincerely yours,

Joann L. Shimabukuro, Psy.D., M.A.

47-500 Alawiki St., Kaneohe, HI 96744

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From: Adam Long [longat@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:56 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: opposition to S.B. No. 2489

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Sincerely yours,

Adam Sakoda Long
280 Kulana Street
Hilo, HI 96720

Adam T. Long, Sakoda Land and Waterscapes, LLC / Sakoda Design-Build Hawaii,
808-990-2055

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From: Nichole Field [nicholefield@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:02 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Testimony to oppose SB 2489

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I have personally experienced the benefits of support from Naturapathic Physicians in areas of health that traditional Western Medicine was not effective. I have a hard time imagining how my health would be today had I not discovered and utilized this form of medicine.

Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,
Nichole Field
99-1142 A Napuanani Rd, Aiea Hi, 96701

From: Marisa Miyashiro [risatoki@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:04 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: opposition to S.B. No. 2489

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

Marisa Miyashiro
691 Kaha Pl
Hilo, HI 96720

From: Allison Bachlet [allisonbachlet@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:01 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: senate committee on health

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Sincerely yours,
Allison Bachlet
593 Poipu Drive
Honolulu, HI

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From: molly@foreversummerbikinis.com [foreversummerbikinis@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:46 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Testimony

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Molly Masaoka

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Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 7:55 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: DrKimberlyFreeND@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kimberly A Free, ND
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: DrKimberlyFreeND@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

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Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 2:01 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: kmcglone@hawaii.edu
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: K McGlone
Organization: Individual
Address:
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E-mail: kmcglone@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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To: HTHTestimony
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Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Bonnie Marsh, ND
Organization: Individual
Address: 905 Kokomo Rd. Haiku, HI 96708
Phone: 808-575-2051
E-mail: naturadoc@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

Comments:

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Please Oppose SB 2489

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Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 7:18 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: anna@liliadesigns.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Anna Hakes
Organization: Individual
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Phone: 808 3577660
E-mail: anna@liliadesigns.com
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

Comments:

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Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 7:18 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: charob@maui.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Charles Garrison
Organization: Individual
Address: 160 W. Waipio Haiku, Hawaii
Phone: 8083575614
E-mail: charob@maui.net
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

Comments:

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Diane Roddy
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: roddyr001@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

Comments:

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Hannah Bernard
Organization: Individual
Address: 21 Akoni Pl Paia, HI
Phone: 808 280-8124
E-mail: wild@aloha.net
Submitted on: 2/3/2010

Comments:

Aloha kakou,

I oppose SB 2489 as it is not helpful for Naturopathic practitioners. I raised my family with this medical assistance.

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Mahalo for your consideration
Hannah Bernard

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To: HTHTestimony
Cc: drdara@MSN.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dara Thompson
Organization: Individual
Address: 319 Wailuku Dr. Hilo, HI
Phone: (808)969-1296
E-mail: drdara@MSN.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Andrea Ferrance
Organization: Individual
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Phone: (415)407-1798
E-mail: ferrance@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Julianna FreeHand
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Address: PO Box 235732 Honolulu, HI 96823
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Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

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From: Leia [doctorleia@earthlink.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 11:35 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 testimony

Testimony to:

HTHTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov .

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

Donna Melead
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Kapaa, HI 96746

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Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Sharon Karayianis, MD
Organization: Individual
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Phone: 808-329-2360
E-mail: drsharonk@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

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Sharon Karayianis, MD

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Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:21 PM
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Maureen and Frederick Langberg
Organization: Individual
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Phone: 808-323-2521
E-mail: langberg@roadrunner.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

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From: Jennifer Ho [j.h.simplerway@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:33 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Oppose SB 2489

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Naturopathic Medicine offers an extremely valuable alternative to people unwilling to choose the standard healthcare system as it is currently practiced and billed for. If you are not insured by one of the Hmo's or HMSA, many regular doctors refuse to accept you as a patient. Medical rates are so extremely high, that many people who are no longer employed and have chosen to go without "medical coverage" after being "furlowed" have little option but to go without care, or seek a more pocketbook friendly option. I see a naturopathic Dr for many reasons. Not only do I appreciate her expertise, but I can afford her care. I would see no Dr at all, if I couldn't see a naturopath.

Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

aloha,

Mrs. Jennifer Ho, LMT, CIIM
198 Hoku St.
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

From: Angela Leslee [angelaleslee@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:35 PM
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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Sincerely yours,

Angela Leslee
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Captain Cook, HI 96704

From: PBorengass@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 6:09 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled fo

Patricia Borengasser
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Aiea, HI 96701

February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

Dear David Ige, Chair, Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to strongly urge your opposition to SB2489 relating to naturopathic medicine. This bill would be detrimental to Hawaii's healthcare consumers because it would remove the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary. Only the board of naturopathic medicine can use this authority with appropriate awareness of the issues unique to the naturopathic medical profession. It is clearly the responsibility of the naturopathic board to regulate naturopathic physicians, and it would be inappropriate to allow any other entity to do so.

Hawaii's naturopathic physicians are more than adequately trained to practice under our existing law. They have extensive training at nationally accredited naturopathic medical schools, and they are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians who diagnose and treat disease. They receive standard medical school training in the sciences - the same basic sciences taught in conventional medical schools, including conventional methods of physical, clinical, and laboratory diagnosis. They are trained in vitamin therapies given by injection, as well as in the prescribing of certain drugs. They also study in-depth a wide range of approaches to disease prevention, completing four years of study that includes clinical nutrition, pharmacology, cardiology, oncology, gastroenterology, neurology, and endocrinology. At the same time, they are required to complete 1,200 hours of clinical training in primary care outpatient settings before passing national licensing exams.

Last year's modernization of Hawaii's naturopathic medicine law allows our naturopathic physicians to practice according to their training as primary care physicians - and according to standards that have long been upheld in other states. For many years naturopathic physicians in other states have had the right to prescribe medications, do minor surgery, and do injections (both intramuscular and intravenous).

The citizens of Hawaii have demanded access to quality naturopathic care because our naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. As the most highly trained of healthcare practitioners in preventive medicine, they are uniquely qualified to collaborate with other healthcare professionals in providing truly complimentary and integrative healthcare.

SB2489 would have many negative consequences on the quality of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, drastically reducing our naturopathic physicians' capacity to effectively serve the public, and limiting Hawaii's ability to attract top-quality naturopathic physicians. As a result, it would greatly diminish the overall quality of healthcare in our state.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing of your opposition to SB2489.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia Borengasser

438 Hobron Lane, Suite V-61, Honolulu, Hawaii USA 96815

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*In Love & Light,
Pat*

From: Aimee Cama [aimeecama@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:09 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine

Aimee F. Cama
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Honolulu, HI 96815
February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 016)

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The citizens of Hawaii have demanded access to quality naturopathic care because our naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. As the most highly trained of healthcare practitioners in preventive medicine, they are uniquely qualified to collaborate with other healthcare professionals in providing truly complimentary and integrative healthcare.

SB2489 would have many negative consequences on the quality of naturopathic medicine in Hawaii, drastically reducing our naturopathic physicians' capacity to effectively serve the public, and limiting Hawaii's ability to attract top-quality naturopathic physicians. As a result, it would greatly diminish the overall quality of healthcare in our state.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing of your opposition to SB2489.

Sincerely yours,
Aimee F. Cama

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Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 7:22 PM
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Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Meredith Ann Whipple
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E-mail: maw@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

From: LaPrelleMartin@cs.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 9:16 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489 Naturopathic Medicine

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

I am a concerned citizen of the Big Island, writing to urge your **opposition to S.B. No. 2489** as it relates to naturopathic medicine.

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Thank you for your consideration. Please **Oppose SB 2489**.

Sincerely yours,

La Prelle Martin

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Sierra L. Levy, N.D., L.Ac.
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: drsierra@earthlink.net
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016
SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE. Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:06 PM
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Ryan Ferchoff
Organization: Individual
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Phone: 808-988-0800
E-mail: ferchoff@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

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From: sharon gonsalves [sgonsalves@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 7:57 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Oppose SB 2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016

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Sincerely yours,
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Kapa'a, HI 96746
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: jeremiah a. quinlan
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Phone:
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Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:
please oppose sb2489 as it applies to naturopathic physicians.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 2:13 PM
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Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Margaret Dexter, ND
Organization: Individual
Address: 79-7393 Mamalahoa Hwy Suite 9 Kealahou, HI
Phone: 808 322-0055
E-mail: margaretdexter@me.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

Dear Senator Ige, Chair, Senator Green, Vice Chair and Committee members:

Please Oppose SB2489.

My goal as a licensed Naturopathic Physician in this state (#175) is to WORK AS A TEAM with MD's and DO's to help the health care crisis in the state of HAWAII.

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SB2489. Respectfully, Margaret Dexter, ND Lic #175

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Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Margaret Dexter, ND
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Phone: 808 322-0055
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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:01 PM
To: HTHTestimony
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Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: FRANZ WEBER
Organization: Individual
Address: 76-789 'Io Place Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
Phone: 808-322-6633
E-mail: fweber@unfi.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

Sincerely yours,

Franz Weber
76-789 'Io Place
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
(808) 322-6633

From: Donna Loren [dl@donnaloren.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 2:28 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: law. Please write testimony in **OPPOSITION** to SB2489 relating to Naturopathic Medicine which blocks our ability to do parental therapy, minor surgery and naturopathic formulary (vitamins, minerals, dietary supplements, botanical medicine, homeopathic medi

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I am writing a testimony in **OPPOSITION to SB2489** relating to Naturopathic Medicine which blocks our ability to do parental therapy, minor surgery and naturopathic formulary (vitamins, minerals, dietary supplements, botanical medicine, homeopathic medicine, hormones, and those legend drugs consistent with naturopathic medical practice.
Thank you for
Donna Loren

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 1:04 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: joanna.franz@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM
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Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: JOANNA WEBER
Organization: Individual
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Phone: 808-326-9190
E-mail: joanna.franz@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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Sincerely yours,

Joanna Weber
76-789 'Io Place
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
(808) 326-9190

From: cab spates [cabspates@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 12:00 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: sB2489 opposition

I'm writing to oppose bill sB2489.

From: Janis Goto [cherishedmovements@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 8:09 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: OPPOSE S.B. #2489

To the committee on health.....I am a resident of Hawaii and a U.S. citizen.....I am a strong believer in naturopathic medicine and the benefits these trained and certified doctors have to offer.....please oppose S.B. #2489.....Janis Goto 1780 Hanahanai Place Honolulu, HI 96821

From: d.dubs@hawaiiantel.net
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 9:19 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB 2489

Aloha,

I am in opposition to SB 2489. At this time the residents of the state of Hawaii need all the medical services they can get. I am a user of Naturopathic services and also a medicaid worker for the state of Hawaii. I have seen first hand how there are not enough doctors of any kind on the Big Island to serve the people. Please allow Naturopaths to do the job they have been trained to do. Mahalo

Dan Widdow
HC1 box 4606
Keeau,Hi.96749 808-966-9768

From: Kachina Palencia [kachina@mauigateway.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 9:24 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: in opposition of SB No.2489

Please oppose SB No. 2489 as it relates to impeding naturopathic medicine. Mahalo, Pam Palencia

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:30 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: susansusan@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM
Attachments: SB2489Testimony.pdf

Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Susan Jaworowski
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: susansusan@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/1/2010

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:29 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: coleleslie@earthlink.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM
Attachments: sb 2489

Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Leslie Cole-Brooks
Organization: Individual
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Phone: 8084577957
E-mail: coleleslie@earthlink.net
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

From: S. Beth Crumrine [sbeth@lava.net]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 10:57 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB2489

Aloha David Ige, Dr. Josh Green and Members of the Senate Committee on Health,

SB2489 would drastically reduce our naturopathic physicians' capacity to effectively care for patients and would greatly diminish the overall quality of healthcare in Hawaii by lowering standards for the licensure, scope, and practice of naturopathic medicine.

Please oppose this bill and any other permutations of it that may arise.

Mahalo,
S. Beth Crumrine
1818 Eames st.
Wahiawa, HI 96786

From: doris resch [dorisresch@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 12:19 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Opposition to S.B. No. 2489

Dear Sen. Ige, chair, Sen. Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,

As a Hawaiian resident, I strongly urge you to oppose S.B. No.2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine. It will considerably decrease the choices patients have.

Thanks for your consideration.

Please oppose S.B. 2489.

Sincerely,

Doris Resch
1692 Laukahi St.
Honolulu, Hawaii, 96821

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From: Janet Williams-Reyes [janet@janetreyescpa.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 5:55 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please Oppose SB2489

Please Oppose SB2489!!!!

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From: Betty Rodal [bettyrodal@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 6:51 AM
To: HTHTestimony

To: Honorable David Y Ige

I am writing to you to please strongly oppose SB2489 relating to naturopathic health care. As a local resident here in Hawaii I would like to have access to quality naturopathic health care. So I am asking you to please oppose bill SB2489

Sincerely,

Beatrice Mar
1925 St. Louis Drive
Honolulu, HI 96816

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From: Aerie [aeriehana@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 8:37 AM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: I oppose bill sp2489

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Thank you for representing this view, that supports the right to choose different modalities of health care.....the amendments freedom to choose. With Aloha, Aerie Waters star route 4 Hana, Hi. 96713

From: Laurene Lacaden [laureneann7@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:30 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489

To whom it may concern;

I am writing to oppose Senate Bill 2489. Hawaii needs this alternative Health Care. I pay for my insurance but I also pay out of pocket for abundant alternative Health care. Please consider this, it is so crucial to our health.

Thank you,

Laurene Lacaden
46-055 Meheanu Place #3454
Kaneohe, HI 96744

From: John Crum [rep4hi@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:34 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Please oppose SB2489

From John Crum
February 1, 2010

TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair, the Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, and other Distinguished Members of the Senate Committee on Health

RE: PLEASE OPPOSE SB2489 Relating to Naturopathic Medicine (Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. In Conference Room 016)

From: Claire Cheeley [cheeleye001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 4:53 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489

Please do not let SB2489 pass.

The care given by Naturopathic Medicine practitioners is invaluable and takes some burden off regular doctors, plus is a great preventative for costlier ailments.

From: Keaka Nelson [keaka@pvthawaii.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 2:28 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

This bill makes a mockery of us all. There is no warrant for a bill that undermines the unanimous approval of the entire house and vast majority of the senate last session. This is a waste of all of our time. Please shut this bill down before it ties up unnecessary money and time from doctors and nurses and who would otherwise be treating the many underserved members of my and your community. To turn any further power to the HMA would be a clumsy fall in the wrong direction. We must broaden our approach to such a critical issue.

Keaka Nelson
Big Island Resident.
(808) 728-8463

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 6:42 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: kalawiki.kailua@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

Testimony for HTH 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM SB2489

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kalawiki Kailua
Organization: Individual
Address: Manoa Honolulu, Hawaii
Phone:
E-mail: kalawiki.kailua@gmail.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Save Naturopathic Medicine in Hawaii!

Please do not allow SB2489, HB2312 or SB2204 (Regarding Naturopathic Medicine) to move forward. The people of Hawaii cannot afford to have medical options to be taken away from them. If anything, the Naturopathic scope of practice should be expanded so that those in need can receive the quality care they deserve without lobbyist interference. Please protect the citizens rights and allow them to continue to choose their qualified Naturopathic Physician. This is only a greedy business move on behalf of the HMA.
Save Naturopathic Medicine in Hawaii!

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:35 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: hakalina03@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Theresa Turetzky
Organization: Individual
Address: 86-535 Hakalina Waianae, HI 96792
Phone: 696-5234
E-mail: hakalina03@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/2/2010

Comments:

Aren't there laws already in place which prevent one profession from manipulating, suppressing or influencing the practice of another profession? Didn't we have this same scenario when the Hawaii Medical Society attempted to suppress the chiropractic profession? Isn't that why Boards are established in order to regulate their own profession and write the rules and regulations pertaining to such? So the Board of Medicine is trying to manipulate the Board of Naturopathy?

Licensing laws were established in this state which stated that Naturopathic Physicians may practice according to the methods and standards that are taught at the licensed schools. According to our Board the licensing laws are not keeping pace with what is being taught in the schools over the last 20 years. Naturopathic Physicians are not asking for any special privileges. They are only asking to be able to practice according to what they are taught in the Naturopathic Colleges.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 10:15 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Cc: drsierra@earthlink.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2489 on 2/3/2010 3:00:00 PM

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DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 TIME: 3:00 pm PLACE: Conference Room 016
SB2489 RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE. Removes the authority of the board of naturopathic medicine to establish examination standards for minor office procedures and a naturopathic formulary.

Dear Sen. Ige, Chair, Sen Green, Vice Chair and Committee Members,
I am a Hawaii naturopath, acupuncturist, resident and a very concerned citizen, writing to strongly urge your opposition to S.B. No. 2489 as it relates to naturopathic medicine. Naturopathic physicians have extensive medical training at naturopathic medical schools. Last year, the Hawaii State naturopathic law was modernized to better reflect their scope of practice. These modernizations are currently in place in Arizona, Oregon, New Hampshire, California, and Washington State. SB 2489 aims to remove these improvements. With the current state of the economy, many physicians are leaving our state. As general practitioners who are licensed in Hawaii as primary care physicians, naturopathic physicians are an invaluable part of our healthcare system. Other types of doctors are overwhelmed with the current demand, often making it difficult for patients to receive even basic medical care. Restricting naturopathic physicians from being able to practice according to their training will decrease the quality of healthcare available to the citizens of this state. Thank you for your consideration. Please Oppose SB 2489.

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Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

My name is Alan Levy, a registered voter in the State of Hawaii. I oppose SB2489!

I am in favor of having the freedom and the right to choose Naturopathic Medicine in the United States of America and in our Aloha State! Naturopathic Medicine works! Please make medicine that actually heals with little or no adverse side effects legal for Hawaiian Citizens! Please allow the mothers and fathers who have the best interest for their family members choose the type of health care for their children. Do not pass SB248 or create government laws that take the power of the family and people's choice to be healthy away from them! Our government is by the people, vote no on SB2489 for the people, and not for special interests that don't have the best interest for our Hawaiian Citizens Health and Wellbeing.

Thank You

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I believe we should give everyone the choice of who assists them to heal. We must open our eyes to the NEW MODERN MEDICINE. I oppose SB2489. Blessings, Camille Yoshiko and Rick Copeland