STAND. COM. REP. NO. 407

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEDUARY 17, 2013

RE: H.C.R. No. 3

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 3 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT TO RE-STATE THAT THE CONGRESSIONAL INTENT OF THE FEDERAL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT IS NOT TO PROHIBIT THE PRODUCTION OF INDUSTRIAL HEMP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage the President of the United States and the United States Congress to re-state that the federal Controlled Substances Act is not intended to prohibit industrial hemp production.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the University of Hawaii at Manoa, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Department of Molecular Biosciences and Bioengineering; American Civil Liberties Union; Alexander & Baldwin, Inc.; Vote Hemp; and four concerned individuals.

Your Committee finds that industrial hemp is genetically distinct from marijuana and does not produce a drug effect when smoked or ingested. The federal War on Drugs policy has unnecessarily placed criminal penalties on growing industrial hemp for clothing, food, construction materials, and other non-medicinal purposes. Legalizing the production of industrial hemp would provide economic opportunities for the farming, research,

manufacturing, and construction industries while encouraging sustainable use of agricultural lands.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 3 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce,

ANGUS L.K. McKELVEY, Chair

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: Con	mmittee Referral:	Date:	2/6/13	, ,
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD)				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)				
2. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. (VC)	Ŷ			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				
4. BROWER, Tom	V			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				
6. CACHOLA, Romy M.			<u> </u>	V
7. CARROLL, Mele				1/
8. EVANS, Cindy	1/			
9. HAR, Sharon E.		•		V
10. ITO, Ken				V
11. LEE, Chris				
12. TSUJI, Clift	V			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.				<u></u>
14. MCDERMOTT, Bob				
15. THIELEN, Cynthia	i/			
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TOTAL (15)	9	Ø	0	6
The recommendation is:  Adopted  Not Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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