

SB 972

Measure Title: RELATING TO ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTIONS.

Report Title: Electronic Prescriptions; Controlled Substances; Drug Enforcement Administration

Description: Amends the Uniform Controlled Substances Act in Chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by adding definitions consistent with federal law, clarifying the conditions for electronic transmittal of prescriptions, and adding and clarifying violations of prohibited acts.

Companion: [HB651](#)

Package: None

Current Referral: HTH/TEC, CPN

Introducer(s): BAKER, CHUN OAKLAND, KEITH-AGARAN, Nishihara

<u>Sort by Date</u>		Status Text
1/24/2013	S	Introduced.
1/24/2013	S	Passed First Reading.
1/24/2013	S	Referred to HTH/TEC, CPN.
2/5/2013	S	The committee(s) on HTH/TEC has scheduled a public hearing on 02-08-13 1:30PM in conference room 229.
2/8/2013	S	The committee(s) on TEC hold a public decision making on 02-12-13 1:20PM in conference room 414.
2/8/2013	S	The committee(s) on HTH deferred the measure until 02-11-13 2:30PM in conference room 229.
2/11/2013	S	The committee(s) on HTH recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in HTH were as follows: 5 Aye(s): Senator(s) Green, Baker, Chun Oakland, Nishihara, Slom; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 0 Excused: none.
2/12/2013	S	The committee(s) on TEC recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in TEC were as follows: 4 Aye(s): Senator(s) Wakai, Nishihara, Gabbard, Tokuda; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) Slom.
2/15/2013	S	Reported from HTH/TEC (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 357) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading and referral to CPN.
2/15/2013	S	Report adopted; Passed Second Reading and referred to CPN.
2/15/2013	S	The committee(s) on CPN will hold a public decision making on 02-20-13 9:30AM in conference room 229.



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The Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

Wednesday, February 20, 2013; 9:30 a.m.
Hawaii State Capitol; Conference Room 229

RE: SB 972 - Relating to Electronic Prescriptions- In Support

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Galuteria and Members of the Committee:

My name is Todd Inafuku and I am testifying on behalf of CVS Caremark (CVS) in support of SB 972, Relating to Electronic Prescriptions. This bill will allow practitioners, who are registered and authorized to prescribe controlled substances, to electronically prescribe and electronically convey prescriptions for controlled substances listed in Schedules II, III, IV and V to a pharmacy of the patient's choice. The electronic conveyance of prescriptions will provide practitioners with a safer, more secure, and timely means to prescribe controlled substances in addition to the traditional method of providing the patient with a handwritten prescription for controlled substances listed in Schedules II, III, IV, and V, or orally ordering or conveying a fax of a written prescription to a pharmacy for controlled substances listed in Schedules III, IV and V.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter,

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Testimony of
Phyllis Dendle

Before:
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair

February 20, 2013
9:30 am
Conference Room 229

SB 972 RELATING TO ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTIONS

Chair Baker, and committee members thank you for this opportunity to provide written testimony on SB972 which permits the use of electronic prescriptions for the dispensing of controlled substances.

Kaiser Permanente Hawaii supports this bill.

This bill allows another option for controlled substances prescriptions to arrive to pharmacies, in addition to the current "patient picks up prescription from their doctor and drops the prescription off at the pharmacy" option currently in use for most of these drugs. Besides making it more convenient and timely for doctors and patients, the electronic transmission of controlled substances prescriptions provides for SAFE and SECURE transfer of prescription information from prescriber to pharmacist, eliminating the forgeries, lost prescription documents, and illegible handwriting, that contribute to medication errors, wasted time and increased frustration for patients who need these medicines. This bill also aligns the State Narcotics Enforcement Division with Federal Drug Enforcement Agency requirements to enable the electronic transmission of prescriptions for this category of drugs.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Testimony of
Gary M. Slovin / Mihoko E. Ito
on behalf of
Walgreens**

DATE: February 19, 2013

TO: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker
Chair, Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Submitted Via E-mail CPNtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

RE: **S.B. 972 – Relating to Electronic Prescriptions**
Hearing Date: Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 9:30 am
Conference Room 229

Dear Chair Baker and Members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

We submit these written comments on behalf of Walgreen Co. (“Walgreens”).

Walgreens operates more than 8,200 locations in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. In Hawai`i, Walgreens now has 11 stores on the islands of Oahu, Maui and Hawai`i.

Walgreens **supports** S.B. 972, which amends the Uniform Controlled Substances Act in Chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by adding definitions consistent with federal law, clarifying the conditions for electronic transmittal of prescriptions, and adding and clarifying violations of prohibited acts.

The measure would allow practitioners to electronically prescribe controlled substances and to convey the prescription directly to the pharmacy of the patient’s choice. It will also provide practitioners with a safer, more secure, and timely means to prescribe controlled substances in addition to the conventional means of prescribing controlled substances. Passage of this legislation will continue to move forward the acceptance of e-prescribing, thus improving patient care.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to submit comments regarding this measure.

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Submitted on: 2/16/2013

Testimony for CPN on Feb 20, 2013 09:30AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ronald Taniguchi, Pharm.D.	Individual	Support	No