

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

868

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 15 2013

RE: H.C.R. No. 3
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and
Military Affairs, 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 and intent of this measure is to encourage
Congress and the President of the United States to re-state that
the federal Uniform Controlled Substances Act, which restricts the
production, possession, and use of marijuana, does not prohibit
the production of industrial hemp.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Alexander and Baldwin, Inc.; American Civil Liberties Union
of Hawaii; Natural Cancer Wellness Foundation; Life of the Land;
and four individuals.

Your Committee finds that the legislative history of the
Marijuana Tax Act of 1937 indicates that Congress never intended
to prohibit the production of industrial hemp. Industrial hemp is
one of the most versatile, productive, and useful fiber plants.
Furthermore, industrial hemp is part of a growing trend to
transform agricultural crops into new products that are
economically and environmentally sound. Your Committee finds that
the production of industrial hemp in Hawaii would provide an
economic stimulus for the local production of various products



including food, medicine, clothing, rope, carpet, upholstery, lumber, and other construction and industrial materials.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment to the title; and
- (2) Making other technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 3, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 3, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,

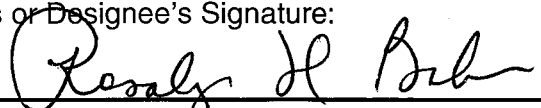
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WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HCR 3	Committee Referral: PSM, CPN	Date: 3-12-2013		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
GREEN, Josh	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	5	-	-	-
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes