

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20, 2014

RE: H.R. No. 51

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred H.R. No. 51
entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF A SYSTEM OF REGISTERED DISPENSARIES WITHIN
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO DISPENSE MEDICAL MARIJUANA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Auditor to
conduct a sunrise review of the establishment of a system of
registered dispensaries within the Department of Health to
dispense medical marijuana as proposed in H.B. No. 1587, Regular
Session of 2014, pursuant to section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised
Statutes and in conducting the sunrise review, include:

- (1) The qualifications, duties, and responsibilities for
dispensaries of medical marijuana; and
- (2) The registration requirements for dispensaries of
medical marijuana to possess and cultivate medical
marijuana for:
 - (A) Dispensing medical marijuana to a qualifying
patient or primary caregiver; and
 - (B) Manufacturing, purchasing, possessing,
distributing, and using drug paraphernalia in
accordance with Hawaii's Medical Use of Marijuana
Law; and



- (3) The registration requirements for qualifying patients and primary caregivers to use and obtain services from dispensaries of medical marijuana, including the payment of a cultivation fee to the Department of Health and the cultivation of marijuana in secured facilities that may or may not be part of the dispensary; and
- (4) The registration, to include criminal record checks, of dispensary agents who must be registered with the Department of Health prior to working at a dispensary; and
- (5) The protections afforded to qualifying patients, primary caregivers, dispensaries, and dispensary agents with respect to the regulation of a system of registered dispensaries within the Department of Health to dispense medical marijuana.

The Big Island Chapter of Americans for Safe Access, the Drug Policy Action Group, and many individuals supported this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 51 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health,



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

HSCR 1096-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HR 51</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HLT, JUD, FIN</i>	Date: <i>3/19/14</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HLT Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)	✓			
2. MORIKAWA, Dee (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele				✓
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	✓			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	✓			
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
TOTAL (10)	9			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: -10px;"></div>				
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