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**LATE TESTIMONY**

DATE: Monday, March 24, 2014  
TIME: 1:35 P.M.  
PLACE: Conference Room 224

TO:  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS  
Sen. Will Espero, Chair  
Sen. Rosalyn Baker, Vice Chair

FROM: Hawaii Medical Association  
Dr. Walton Shim, MD, President  
Dr. Linda Rasmussen, MD, Legislative Co-Chair  
Dr. Ron Kienitz, DO, Legislative Co-Chair  
Dr. Christopher Flanders, DO, Executive Director  
Lauren Zirbel, Community and Government Relations

Re: SCR80/SR37 Requesting the Drug Enforcement Administration to Remove Marijuana from Schedule I of the Federal Controlled Substances Act in Recognition that Marijuana does not Meet the Criteria of a Federal Schedule I Controlled Substance, as Currently accepted Medical Use of Marijuana Treatment Exists in the United States, Including Hawaii.

Position: Support

The Hawaii Medical Association supports the idea and principal of rescheduling marijuana from Schedule I to Schedule II under the Federal Controlled Substances Act. The HMA believes this rescheduling will make the medicinal use of marijuana more available, while curtailing the abuses taking place under the current system.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important issue.

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LATE TESTIMONY

**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**SCR80**

Submitted on: 3/23/2014

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| Submitted By   | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| julie kawakami | Individual   | Support            | No                 |

**Comments:**

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## SCR80

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| Bob Graybosch | Individual   | Support            | No                 |

Comments: 1. As you know, our legitimate HIV/AIDS, Cancer, and pediatric seizure patients are unable to gain safe access to Medical Marijuana that is guaranteed contaminant free, even though our State has accepted the medical use of this substance. This is because Marijuana still remains mis-classified in federal Schedule I, even though it has not met the federal criteria for Schedule I since 1996, when California accepted the medical use of Marijuana. This resolution is significant because it is the first time that a State that has accepted the medical use of Marijuana is standing up for this state authority. The State of Hawaii needs take this step in order to correct the current conflict with federal law that our State created when it accepted the medical use of Marijuana. 2. Medical Marijuana cannot be properly regulated while it remains mis-classified in federal Schedule ONE. I hope you recognize that the only way to eliminate the current misuse of Marijuana is to have Medical Marijuana properly regulated at the state level. It is the right thing to do. It will set the groundwork for a safe, legally protected pharmacy retail system, and supporting entities for producing safe and effective cannabis products. Kids with Dravet's Seizure Syndrome need safe, effective oils for the seizures. All patient deserve the same. This is real life! I urge you to do all that is possible to fix this miscarriage of law and help those who have no other choices. NO RESCHEDULE- NO ELECT!

## SR37

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| Shannon Rudolph     | Individual          | Support                   | No                        |

Comments: Support.

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| janice palma-glenie | Individual          | Support                   | No                        |

Comments: long overdue. please support. mahalo.

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