
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA MONITORING AND RESEARCH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 241, Session
2 Laws of Hawaii 2015, provided for the establishment of a
3 statewide medical marijuana dispensary system to enable
4 qualifying patients to obtain medical marijuana. Detailed
5 monitoring and research conducted by the University of Hawaii's
6 John A. Burns school of medicine in conjunction with that system
7 would be of great value to the State. The school of medicine is
8 a scholarly body, independent from the dispensaries, that could
9 study related health outcomes and safety issues and serve as an
10 important tool to provide medical insight regarding the medical
11 marijuana program.

12 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make an
13 appropriation for the University of Hawaii's John A. Burns
14 school of medicine to monitor and conduct research regarding the
15 efficacy of medical marijuana dispensaries in the State and
16 related health outcomes and safety issues.



1 SECTION 2. The University of Hawaii's John A. Burns school
2 of medicine shall monitor and conduct research regarding the
3 efficacy of medical marijuana dispensaries in the State and
4 related health outcomes and safety issues, including but not
5 limited to the efficacy of certifying qualifying patients to use
6 medical marijuana and the toxicity and consistency of medical
7 marijuana provided by dispensaries. The school of medicine
8 shall work from data provided by dispensaries in the State and
9 shall not collect data on behalf of those dispensaries or do
10 operational product testing or assays of marijuana chemical
11 composition or similar laboratory-based measurements.

12 The school of medicine shall submit a report of its
13 findings to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to
14 the regular sessions of 2017 and 2018.

15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the
18 University of Hawaii's John A. Burns school of medicine to
19 monitor and conduct research regarding the efficacy of medical
20 marijuana dispensaries in the State and related health outcomes
21 and safety issues.



1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
2 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

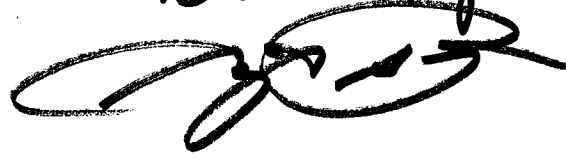
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Report Title:

Medical Marijuana; UH; School of Medicine; Monitoring and Research; Appropriation

Description:

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