

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1156

Honolulu, Hawaii

MARCH 21, 2017

RE: S.B. No. 997
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 997,
S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED
SUBSTANCES ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to update Hawaii's Uniform
Controlled Substances Act to conform to the controlling federal
law by adding several new substances that were scheduled by the
federal government or emergency scheduled by the Department of
Public Safety in the past year.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Public Safety, Kush Bottles Hawaii, and two
individuals. The Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii and an individual
submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2070, to
encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity,
consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 997, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 997, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair



