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TESTIMONY OF SCOTT E. ENRIGHT
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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

FEBRUARY 8, 2017
8:30 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 312

HOUSE BILL NO. 773
RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP

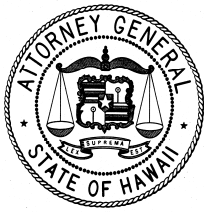
Chairperson Creagan and Members of the Committee:

Thank for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 773, relating to industrial hemp. This bill authorizes growth of industrial hemp as an agricultural product by excluding the growing, possession, processing, and selling of industrial hemp from civil and criminal penalties. The Department offers comments and defers to the Attorney General's Office.

While most of the tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is contained in marijuana, the existence of THC is a schedule I controlled substance. The federal law prohibits human consumption and possession of schedule I controlled substance. If THC does not enter the human body, it is a non-controlled substance that may lawfully be sold in the United States. Therefore, the department respectfully defers to the Attorney General's Office and the County Prosecutors' offices.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.





**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 773, RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

DATE: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 **TIME:** 8:30 a.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 312

TESTIFIER(S): Douglas S. Chin, Attorney General, or
Andrew Goff, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Creagan and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General provides the following comments. The purpose of this bill is to authorize the growth of industrial hemp as an agricultural product by excluding the growing, possession, processing, and selling of industrial hemp from civil and criminal penalties. Growing industrial hemp, however, is illegal under federal law except when it is grown as part of a well regulated state pilot program. We are concerned that this bill may place potential industrial hemp growers at a higher risk of federal prosecution.

Generally, growing industrial hemp is illegal under federal law. A limited exception exists which authorizes a state department of agriculture to grow or cultivate industrial hemp if:

- (1) the industrial hemp is grown or cultivated for purposes of research conducted under an agricultural pilot program or other agricultural or academic research; and
- (2) the growing or cultivating of industrial hemp is allowed under the laws of the State in which such institution of higher education or State department of agriculture is located and such research occurs.

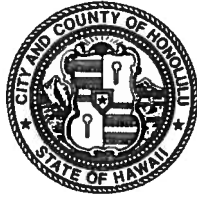
Section 7606(a) of the Agricultural Act of 2014, Pub. L. 113-79.

That same section also specifies that any pilot program must study the growth, cultivation, or marketing of industrial hemp in a manner that ensures only institutions of higher education and state departments of agriculture are used to grow or cultivate industrial hemp.

Act 228, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, has already authorized the Department of Agriculture to establish an industrial hemp pilot program for agricultural or academic research in accordance with federal law. This bill proposes to completely remove all state civil and criminal penalties for growing industrial hemp. Removing state penalties for growing industrial hemp might increase the risk of federal prosecution and give local growers the mistaken impression that industrial hemp is also federally legal. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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The Honorable Richard P. Creagan, Chair
and Members
Committee on Agriculture
House of Representatives
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 312
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Creagan and Members:

SUBJECT: House Bill No. 773, Relating to Industrial Hemp

I am Major Calvin Tong of the Narcotics/Vice Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu. The HPD opposes House Bill No. 773, Relating to Industrial Hemp.

The bill seeks, in part, to remove civil and criminal sanctions relating to industrial hemp and to amend the definitions of marijuana, marijuana concentrates, dangerous drugs and harmful drugs to exclude industrial hemp. The HPD does not oppose the use of industrial hemp for the purposes stated in the bill. However, as currently worded, the proposed definitions of marijuana, marijuana concentrates, dangerous drugs and harmful drugs would make it impossible to properly enforce marijuana laws. This is because any person in possession of marijuana could claim that the substance is industrial hemp. It is not possible to field test a cannabis plant for the percentage of tetrahydrocannabinol that it contains.

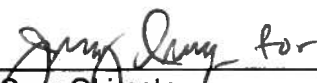
The HPD requests that it be made clear that the definition of industrial hemp applies only to the activities authorized under the bill.

The HPD urges you to oppose House Bill No. 773, Relating to Industrial Hemp, as currently worded.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

Sincerely,


Cary Okimoto
Acting Chief of Police


Calvin Tong, Major
Narcotics/Vice Division

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David Dinner	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Kathryn Fisher	Individual	Support	No

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Michael Reed Gach	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Industrial Hemp, which is completely different properties and chemistry than marijuana, has been used successfully used for food, pest and mold resistant building supplies, fuel, paper and clothing. The Declaration of Independence was drafted on hemp paper. Drought and pest resistant hemp revitalizes and detoxes soil.

SUSTAINABILITY IN HAWAII: Hemp produces 4 times the raw material than trees for paper making. Hemp can be planted between 1-3 times a season, depending on location and can be recycled up to 10 times, compared to 3 or 4 for wood pulp paper.

The same fibre products that the hemp harvest produces also provides raw-materials for a host of other sustainable products. I believe Industrial Hemp can be one of our major answers to self-sustainability. It can now make Hawaii more independent from imports and vital economically. In Hawaii, 80% of our resources are shipped in.

Industrial Hemp is a healthy alternative to reduce or eliminate the need for Pesticides on our islands and to save water. This hardy, healthy crop benefits the well being of our Ohana and Aina. Please support industrial hemp bill HB773.

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Neil Vonhof	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mike Moran	Kihei Community Assoc.	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please support this reasonable measure. We need to continue to separate cannabis from industrial hemp. To promote industrial hemp, we need to remove all impediments. Mahalo.

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Kevin Mulkern	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
De MONT R. D. CONNER	Ho'omana Pono, LLC.	Support	Yes

Comments: We FULLY SUPPORT this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bonnie Marsh	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please vote to remove criminal and civic penalties for growing, possession, processing and selling industrial Hemp. It is so important to grow to revive our local economy and use to clean up our pesticide laden aina, especially on Maui. Mahalo.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John NAYLOR	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Industrial hemp could be a major solution for Maui County's employment for Ag workers!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Noreen Dougherty	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Diversitfied agriculture can include hemp which can produce an enormous amount of products that can be consumed locally and exported. Clothes made with hemp fibers can replace synthetics and products that are now being imported from China, Tailand, and other countries. Hemp would help the Hawaiian Islands to become sustainable.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
dennis boyd miller	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Representatives, I'm Dennis Miller, a Waikiki resident. I'm very supportive of this bill. Hemp agriculture should not be illegal. Hemp agriculture offers a wide range of benefits which you will hear today. I strongly urge you to decriminalize the farming of a plant with many productive uses. Just one little example of how hemp can be used: biodegradable plastic. Plastic can be made without petroleum products. The world needs to move as rapidly as possible away from all uses of petroleum products. Hemp offers a pathway to do just that. Businesses in Hawaii could begin to manufacture hemp based plastic, with unlimited potential for industrial applications. Thank you,
Dennis Miller

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Felicia Cowden	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support the de-criminalization of the fiber crop Hemp. This is long overdue. Hawaii needs to have a diversified agriculture. Hemp is appropriate as a sustainability crop that can have many applications. There is seemingly no threat from this crop that should be deemed as a crime. The crop should be monitored like any plant species under consideration for implementation in Hawaii, such as tendency to become invasive species, etc. As a member of Hawaii Farmers Union United and other ag-focused ngo's on Kauai, we appreciate the potential for export crops with value added possibilities that expand potential for our farmers. Mahalo Felicia Cowden Kilauea, Kauai

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George Vierra	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Why would you want penalties for growing industrial hemp it has absolutely no drug like qualities? Seems like common sense.

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Chris Mentzel	Individual	Support	No

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Dylan Armstrong	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We need a comparative advantage over the mainland and foreign markets in order to revitalize Hawaiian agriculture. Industrial hemp is as good as any. It is water-wise crop that is tolerant of our environments, easy to grow and can provide good jobs for local people. Industrial hemp is smart, clean and patriotic. Many of our Founding Fathers grew hemp!

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Dedicated to safe, responsible, humane and effective drug policies since 1993

TO: House Committee on Agriculture
FROM: Carl Bergquist, Executive Director
HEARING DATE: 8 February 2017, 8:30 AM
RE: HB773, Relating to Industrial Hemp, **IN SUPPORT**

Dear Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite, Members of the Committee:

The Drug Policy Forum of Hawai'i (DPFHI) supports the development of industrial hemp as an agricultural crop for Hawaii. This measure to decriminalize the growing, processing, possessing, buying and selling of hemp is a necessary fix towards normalizing what can be a real boon to our land, our consumers and our economy.

Further, we support the statutory clarifications that a) reclassify hemp as a non-dangerous drug and b) as a product distinct from "marijuana". This latter is a bizarre relic from another era, where a medicine (marijuana) that our state has recognized since 2000 has remained lumped together with an agricultural product that does not share the medicinal properties of its brethren plant.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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Fern Rosenstiel	'Ohana o Kaua'i	Support	No

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Fern Rosenstiel	Individual	Support	No

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james simpliciano	Hfuu	Support	No

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Lynn Onderko	Individual	Support	No

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clare loprinzi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: No brainer....pass it..mahalos

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Dale A. Head	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in favor of this bill.

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Tamara Paltin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha this is common sense legislation. industrial hemp is not a drug, it was grown by our fore fathers and has many beneficial uses. Hawaii should take advantage of this crop instead of criminalize it

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Lauren Ampolos	Individual	Support	No

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Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Support	No

Comments: SUPPORT

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Subject: *Submitted testimony for HB773 on Feb 8, 2017 08:30AM*

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ann Evans	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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natalie Forster	Individual	Support	No

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Ashley Wilcox	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bellodgia Yamamoto	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please pass this very important bill regarding the decriminalization of the Hemp plant in Hawaii. It is long overdue that this miracle plant be given its place legally within our states' food sovereignty movement. Hemp was once a staple of the world because it is one of the most useful plants on earth. Hemp is an excellent source of protein and the only plant that contains all the essential fatty acids and amino acids required by the human body. Hemp can also be used to make paper and unlike trees it regenerates in the field in merely months and requires minimal pest management. It can also be used to make fabrics, textiles, ropes and even fuel! The list goes on and on. This plant alone could be a game changer for our islands agricultural future. Please pass this very important history making bill to take another step forward in insuring that Hawaii and its people can have a sustainable future that is not grossly reliant on ships to feed us. Aloha Bellodgia Yamamoto (Hopeful future Hawaii Hemp farmer)

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Tulsi Greenlee	Individual	Support	No

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laurn rego	Individual	Support	No

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Briana Hurley	Individual	Support	No

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Lynn B. Wilson, PhD	Individual	Support	No

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Susan Vickery	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Edgar Espero	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in support of removing criminal and civil penalties for the growing, possession, processing, and selling of industrial hemp.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Simon Russell	Hawaii Farmers Union United	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
DONNIE BECKER	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Removes criminal and civil penalties for the growing, possession, processing, and selling of industrial hemp.

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marta greenleaf	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill.

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sharon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Growing hemp will solve many problems!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Erika Lechuga Disalvo	Individual	Support	No

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Mary Lacques	Individual	Support	No

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Fusayo Lukisc	Individual	Support	No

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Melinda Buck	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
leilea satori	Individual	Support	No

Comments: All for it! Come on people wake up!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Robert Wilcox	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This bill is especially important to us in Maui to fill the void of the newly departed sugar industry. I have studied the options available and believe hemp to be among the best. It will grow well, provide environmentally sound profitability and even prepare the soil for edible crops and the food sustainability we so desperately need.

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Marisa	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Peggy McArdle	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha. I urge your full support on HB 773. It's a common sense measure. Mahalo.

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Helga Fiederer	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Theresa Freund	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, My name is Theresa Freund and I live in Nuuanu. I am writing to urge your strong support of HB773. This bill would remove criminal and civil penalties for the growing, possession, processing, and selling of industrial hemp. There are numerous advantages to industrial hemp including: •It replaces trees as the source of raw material for wood and paper •Pollution is reduced since hemp is naturally resistant to pests and does not need pesticides and herbicides to be sprayed •Soil enrichment: The hemp crop grows dense and vigorously. Sunlight cannot penetrate the plants to reach the ground, and this means the crop is normally free of weeds. •Fabrics made of hemp do not have any chemical residue, and is therefore safer for consumers.

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Courtney Bruch	Individual	Support	No

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Jennifer Noelani Ahia	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joseph Kohn MD	We Are One, Inc. - www.WeAreOne.cc - WAO	Support	No

Comments: Strongly Support full legalization of non-psychoactive hemp.
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Crystal Kia Paul	Individual	Support	No

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Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes

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Barbara Barry	Individual	Support	No

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