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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

FEBRUARY 10, 2017
8:30 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 312

HOUSE BILL NO. 95
RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP

Chairperson Creagan and Members of the Committee:

Thank for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 95, relating to industrial hemp. This bill amends the licensing procedures of the industrial hemp pilot program by allowing applicants to apply for a license at any time during the year in which the applicant plans to grow industrial hemp. The department collaborated with the legislature and the Attorney General's office on the amendments to a similar bill, House Bill 96, House Draft 1 and has incorporated the licensing procedures that is being proposed in this bill into House Bill 96, House Draft 1. The department respectfully requests that House Bill 96, House Draft 1 be used as the vehicle for the proposed changes.

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. 95, RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

DATE: Friday, February 10, 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 on this bill, the purpose of which is to allow potential applicants to the industrial hemp pilot program to apply for a license at any time during the year in which the applicant plans to grow industrial hemp.

Representative Cynthia Thielen asked the Department of the Attorney General to provide testimony as to whether we have any legal concerns regarding this bill. We do not.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Renee Riley	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This measure would help simplify the licensing procedures for growing industrial hemp.

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Mary Lacques	Individual	Support	No

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Simon Russell	Hawaii Farmers Union United	Support	No

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Barbara Barry	Individual	Support	No

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Mike Moran	Kihei Community Assoc.	Support	No

Comments: Please support. KCA believes we need to take all reasonable measures in support of industrial hemp on Maui. We have huge swaths of AG land available in need of crop, & I H can be a successful segment. Mahalo Mike Moran for KCA

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Dr. Jana Bogs	Individual	Support	No

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Mary Ann Pahukoa	Individual	Support	No

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Joseph Kohn MD	We Are One, Inc. - www.WeAreOne.cc - WAO	Support	No

Comments: Protect People, Health, and 'Āina before toxic corporate profits and encourage corporations to act transparently, cooperatively, and responsibly (which is ultimately even more profitable). www.WeAreOne.cc

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Billie Dawson	Individual	Support	No

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scott lacasse	Individual	Support	No

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Briana Hurley	Individual	Support	No

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james simpliciano	Individual	Support	No

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Tulsi Greenlee	Individual	Support	No

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robyn smith	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This one is a no-brainer, we've got to take action to get seeds in the ground as we're already falling behind states on the mainland. To grow hemp in Hawaii is to save the farmers, grow the economy, and remediate the land and we should already be growing as we speak. Cut the red tape and let's catch back up... Aloha!

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Feb. 7, 2016

To the Honorable Members of the Agriculture Committee:

As a hemp farmer, researcher, journalist and consultant, I can say with confidence that HB95 is essential. Hawaii's year round planting climate is one of its strongest competitive advantages. Farmers must be able to register for the hemp program as works for their own needs. Thank you for your work in helping build this important industry.

Sincerely,

Doug Fine, author *Hemp Bound*

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Neil Vonhof	Individual	Support	No

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Neil Vonhof	Individual	Support	No

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marcy cayton	Individual	Support	No

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