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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB0541\_SD1  
RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS PRODUCTS.**

REPRESENTATIVE JOHN M. MIZUNO, CHAIR  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Hearing Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019

Room Number: 329

1 **Fiscal Implications:** None identified.

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (DOH) SUPPORTS SB541 SD1 that:

3 1. Amends section 329D-1, HRS, to simplify the definition of manufactured cannabis  
4 product to “any product that has been manufactured using cannabis pursuant to section  
5 329D-10, HRS;” and

6 2. Amends section 329D-10(a)(7) to change “transdermal patches” to “transdermal devices  
7 as approved by the department” to align with the intent of the Act 230, SLH 2016,  
8 Medical Cannabis Legislative Oversight Working Group.

9 DOH appreciates the amended language to allow the department to approve transdermal devices  
10 manufactured by licensees to ensure that they are appropriate and safe for use by patient. Certain  
11 types of transdermal devices may be potentially invasive and not appropriate for patient use of  
12 medical cannabis (e.g., microneedles or ablation to enhance skin permeability).

13 **Offered Amendments:** None.

14 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted on: 3/12/2019 2:55:23 PM

Testimony for HLT on 3/14/2019 9:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
jason graham	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose due to the fact this will limit the people able to obtain cbd. Cbd as many know has many medical and positive effects for those in pain. As a veteran who has used this to alleviate back pain instead of countless physical therapy sessions that has not worked and knowing the pain meds that would limit my ability to work, CBS is a very useful tool for me to thrive as a contributing member of society.

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Submitted on: 3/12/2019 3:41:02 PM

Testimony for HLT on 3/14/2019 9:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Teikiheekua Taupu	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/12/2019 8:54:22 PM

Testimony for HLT on 3/14/2019 9:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
austin keliinoi-westbrook	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Aloha, my name is Austin Keliinoi-Westbrook, I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB541. CBD users should have their own way, and/or their own type of use for such thing. I Oppose SB541...

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Submitted on: 3/12/2019 11:19:45 PM

Testimony for HLT on 3/14/2019 9:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
puna	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Aloha

my name is Puna Hayashida and I am strongly opposing to bill sb541 because for someone who as acrophobia I am a strong believer in CBD products. CBD has helped me in many different situations where I would have a episode with my agoraphobia. CBDs have helped me in instances where I could not handle a heavy crowd and got very agrovated and since I do not smoke marijuana anymore I have turned to CBD products it's helps me get through my day without having to deal with the physco activity that marijuana causes. I use CBDs strictly for its medical purposes instead of taking synthetic prescription opiates that I do not know what's inside of it. I know many people who do not smoke or use marijuana but strongly use CBD products because it's a safe organic way to get the medical purposes out of marijuana. As a shop employee we carry a variety of CBD products in our vape shop. Many customers come in and buy our CBD products because it has drastically helped them in a positive way. Many customers that purchase CBD products have stopped using synthetic prescribed medications because the side affects of CBD is far much better then the side affects of their prescribed medications. I highly suggest not removing a much more healthier and organic version of medication from our shelves. Mahalo Nui loa for your time

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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Day and Date of Hearing: March 14, 2019 9 AM

Senate Bill SB541 Testimony  
2/12 /2019

I oppose Bill SB541 for the following reason:

I feel all drugs used as medication needs to be approved by the Food and Drug Administration. It should be up to the FDA medical experts, not legislators to determine if a drug or method is safe to be used by the public. The FDA will have necessary testing and safeguards for the drug usage. The FDA not legislature should be the agency to determine if a drug is safe to be purchased as an over the counter drug or prescribed as a controlled substance. Approval of medication should be left up to the medical experts not legislators.