

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
KA 'OIHANA O KA LOIO KUHINA
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. NO. 669, S.D. 1, RELATING TO CANNABIS.

BEFORE THE:

SENATE COMMITTEES ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION AND ON
WAYS AND MEANS

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Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz and Members of the Committees:

The Department of the Attorney General (Department) opposes this bill and offers the following comments.

The purpose of this bill is to allow for the personal use of small amounts of cannabis, and establish regulations regarding the cultivation, sale, and use of cannabis. The Department has serious law-enforcement concerns regarding preventing unlicensed activity and notes that the bill has several provisions that could present confusion.

Further Preparation Is Needed to Develop Adequate Regulations

This bill creates a new regulatory body called the Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority (HCRA) to oversee the regulation and licensing of cannabis in the State (page 13, lines 4-13). The HCRA has the power of the Department of Health (DOH) and appears to be comprised solely of DOH personnel. It does not appear to have criminal law-enforcement authority or personnel equipped to prevent unlicensed or unauthorized activity. Challenges with unlicensed medical-cannabis operators in Hawaii illustrate that regulating licensed entities without enforcing unauthorized actions is not enough to ensure a well-regulated program. Further, while the Act 169, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, Dual Use of Cannabis Task Force submitted a report to the Legislature in December 2022, the report did not address the potential costs of adequately regulating

an adult-use market. The report focused on impacts to medical-cannabis patients and did not identify or study issues relating to community safety, protection of minors, and enforcing laws against unlicensed cannabis operators. The Department respectfully requests that this bill be deferred to allow for further study and discussion of these issues.

Should the Committees be inclined to recommend passage of this bill, the Department offers the following additional concerns.

Expungement of Criminal Records Will Require Time and Resources

The bill adds a new section to chapter 706, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), to establish a criminal-record expungement program to be run by the Department. See page 27, line 7, through page 32, line 4. The program would require the Attorney General, by January 1, 2026, to "order the automatic expungement of the records relating to the arrest, criminal charge, or conviction, as appropriate" (page 28, lines 8-10). The term "automatic" is misleading and can be construed to mean the expungement process takes a minimal amount of time to complete. The current expungement process is not automated—it is a manual process undertaken by one full-time employee. To research one expungement application to determine if a complete expungement or a partial expungement is granted can take anywhere from two hours to multiple days.

If this bill were to pass, approximately 288,000 charges would need to be reviewed. Of that number, 236,000 would need additional research outside of the Department to determine the type of drug involved in each charge as this information is not specified in the criminal history record information system. Therefore, significant resources would be necessary to create and run this expungement program. Additionally, creating a computerized process is estimated to require at least two years and a minimum of one-thousand hours to develop.

We recommend that the expungement process not be changed or altered, requiring the individuals who qualify under this proposed bill to apply for an expungement, either to the Department or courts, in order to seal the expungement record. Should the Committees be inclined to recommend passage of the bill with this

provision, the Department requests an additional appropriation be made to cover the expenses of developing a computerized system for a more automated expungement process.

Specific Penalties for Unlicensed Activity are Needed

The bill gives broad authority to the HCRA to adopt rules that include "[c]ivil penalties for the failure to comply with the rules" (page 25, lines 1-3) and "[s]pecific penalties such as the imposition of fines or suspension or revocation of a license" (page 25, lines 1-2). However, there are no provisions regarding penalties for unlicensed activities. We recommend including civil penalties for unlicensed activity in statute to enable the HCRA to better deal with unlicensed cannabis cultivation that exceeds the allowed personal use, as well as unlicensed processing and sale of cannabis and cannabis products. The Department would be happy to work with the Legislature to draft provisions that would accomplish this.

Land Use and Property Rights Need Clarification

It is unclear whether land-use laws or county ordinances can prohibit or otherwise regulate certain activities done by cannabis licensees. The bill permits "[l]easing or otherwise allowing the use of property owned, occupied, or controlled by any person, corporation, or other entity for any of the activities conducted lawfully in accordance with this section" (page 12, lines 4-7). While the bill specifies that this wording shall not interfere with private-property owners' rights to regulate or prohibit cannabis activity on their property (page 26, line 18 through page 27, line 6), there is no mention of public land-use regulations. This could present an issue if a cultivation licensee wants to grow cannabis in a residential neighborhood, or if a licensee wants to process cannabis products using chemicals that would otherwise be prohibited by zoning ordinances. If the intent is to clarify that licensed activities cannot be prohibited by regulations or ordinances based solely on the fact that they relate to cannabis, the Department stands ready to work with the Legislature to draft provisions that would accomplish this.

The Effective Date Should Be Delayed To Allow Time For Rules To Be Created For The Pilot Period

The bill proposes a pilot period of at least two years where the current medical dispensaries operate as "dual-use" dispensaries (page 21, line 8, through page 23, line 4). The HCRA may "prescribe forms, procedures and requirements as necessary to facilitate the operation of medical cannabis dispensaries as dual use cannabis dispensaries" (page 22, lines 11-15). These forms, procedures, and requirements would need to be in rules. While this bill allows for the "forms, procedures and requirements" to be exempt from chapter 91, HRS, it will still take time to draft these rules. In order to ensure cannabis consumers have a safe and regulated supply of cannabis that does not come from illicit sources, the HCRA will need adequate time to promulgate the requirements for dual-use dispensaries. Furthermore, the dual-use dispensaries will need adequate time to locate cultivation and retail space, cultivate an adequate supply of cannabis, and open retail locations that are separate from the current medical locations. For these reasons, we recommend delaying the effective date of the bill for at least one year from the date of passage.

Clerical error

Finally, we note than on page 51, line 13, of the bill, the words "of hearing" may have inadvertently been used instead of "or hearing." The Department recommends the section read as follows:

§B-13 Investigations; contempt; fees. The director of taxation, and any representative of the director duly authorized by the director, shall have the authority to conduct any civil audit or criminal investigation, investigation, or hearing relating to the taxes in this section in the manner provided in section 231-7.

The Department opposes the passage of this bill for the law enforcement concerns stated above and respectfully requests that this bill be held. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and provide comments.



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Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

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**On the following measure:
S.B. 669 S.D. 1, RELATING TO CANNABIS**

Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz and Members of the Committees:

My name is Iris Ikeda, and I am the Commissioner of Financial Institutions, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Department), Division of Financial Institutions (DFI). The Department is providing comments on this bill.

The purpose of this bill is to establish regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis; decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use; and establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

The Department does not take a position on whether cannabis should be allowed for adult use, but is providing comments on access to banking products and services for businesses and consumers should Hawaii move to expand the cannabis laws. As the use of cannabis expands, access to banking products may become more problematic.

Since the medical cannabis law was enacted in 2016, we have been in discussion with banks and credit unions about how to offer banking services to cannabis

related businesses. In 2016, banks were closing or threatening to close accounts for related service providers. We worked with banks individually to request they monitor consumer accounts for federal illegal activity. To mitigate some of the inflow of cash, Governor Ige offered a suggested mobile phone app for safe use by consumers and medical cannabis companies. This phone app is still used by some consumers.

For DFI, if the services provided for the medical cannabis business is just ONE of the many business clients, banks have allowed the continued banking relationship to these service providers. Today, banking services are available for related cannabis service providers like accountants, construction, plumbers, electricians, lawyers, etc. There is no banking services available for the medical dispensaries. All of the medical dispensaries have banking services provided by an out-of-state financial institution.

The reason banks in Hawaii have not provided banking services is because several federal laws prohibit banks from engaging in activity with businesses deemed illegal by federal banking laws such as the Bank Secrecy Act / Anti Money Laundering Act, and the Controlled Substances Act. In the banking industry the laws using the federal payment system for illegal activity, prohibits banking services for illegal activity and provides for personal liability and incarceration.

Although we were able to work with other states to have a federal budget bill proviso that does not allow federal money to be allocated to prevent any state from implementing its own medical marijuana law, this proviso must be included with every federal budget act. It's impermanency does not provide banks the needed reliance to provide banking services.

Other alternatives have been explored. A State bank charter was explored; however, it is difficult to get a state bank charter for two main reasons. First, Hawaii laws require FDIC insurance before a bank can get chartered. Second, the bank also needs a master account / certificate to use the federal payment system for debit cards, ACH, and deposits into an account. Two companies have applied to get a bank charter for cannabis related businesses, but no financial institution has been granted a master account by the federal reserve and the FDIC has not granted insurance to the companies.

The digital currency option was explored to facilitate payments. A couple of states allow digital currency payments for cannabis. However, digital currency's inherent volatility and high transaction costs make it a poor substitute for cash. Converting the digital currency units to fiat may expose the cannabis business to capital-gains tax or lose value when it comes time to "cash in" to pay rent or other expenses. As we have recently seen, digital currency companies have shut down suddenly.

In conclusion, without banking services in Hawaii for cannabis companies, the use of cash will be more prolific. Banking services are available for service providers and consumers. Banks and financial institutions are waiting for action by Congress to allow banking services for cannabis related businesses.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.



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**Testimony COMMENTING on SB669 SD1
RELATING TO CANNABIS**

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing Date: Wed. March 1, 2023

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1 **Fiscal Implications:** This measure will require additional resources and may impact the
2 priorities identified in the Governor's Executive Budget Request for the Department of Health's
3 appropriations and personnel priorities. As currently drafted, the Department will require
4 additional resources for: (1) increased regulatory oversight of the dispensary licensing system;
5 (2) implementation of a pre-legalization public education campaign; (3) implementation of data
6 collection and surveillance activities to establish a baseline of cannabis-related health impacts
7 prior to adult-use legalization; and (4) administrative support. These are estimated at an annual
8 cost of \$5,305,163 for FY24 and \$709,786 for FY25, and include five (5) new permanent, full-
9 time dispensary surveyor ("Investigator V") positions; one (1) new permanent, full-time Chemist
10 V position; one (1) new permanent, full-time Microbiologist V position; one (1) new permanent,
11 full-time Planner V position; one (1) new permanent, full-time Office Assistant IV position;
12 supplemental mileage, interisland travel, training; an electronic licensing system to augment the
13 existing seed-to-sale tracking system; a comprehensive pre-legalization public education
14 campaign; establishment of a surveillance system for monitoring health impacts; and office space
15 and furniture to accommodate the increased staffing.

16 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (DOH) provides comments on S.B. 669
17 SD1 which proposes to: (1) establish regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of
18 small amounts of cannabis; (2) decriminalize and regulate small amounts of cannabis for

1 personal use; (3) establish taxes for cannabis sales; and (4) reduce unregulated and illicit sales of
2 cannabis by unlicensed entities.

3 DOH appreciates the SD1 amendments to prevent exposure to secondhand smoke and the
4 renormalization of smoking which remain strong public health concerns because of the
5 substantial evidence that cannabis smoke contains many of the same cancer-causing chemicals as
6 tobacco smoke.^{1,2,3,4,5} These SD1 amendments include: specifying that the personal use of
7 cannabis by vaping or smoking shall be regulated in accordance with the State’s smoking laws
8 under chapter 328J, HRS; specifying that personal use of cannabis shall be prohibited on any
9 location where smoking is prohibited; and adding language that allows condominiums to restrict
10 or prohibit the smoking of cannabis in the same manner they may restrict or prohibit the smoking
11 of tobacco on the property.

12 DOH also appreciates the SD1 amendment to clarify that during the pilot period, the necessary
13 forms, procedures, and requirements shall be exempt from chapter 91, HRS. This will facilitate
14 the implementation of any new procedures that may be required to allow licensed medical
15 cannabis dispensaries to cultivate, process, manufacture, transport, and sell cannabis and
16 manufactured cannabis products as a dual use cannabis dispensary during the pilot period.

17 DOH also appreciates the SD1 amendment requiring the Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority
18 to track the cultivation, processing, and sale of cannabis and cannabis products. This will assure
19 that no cannabis is diverted from the system in alignment with federal priorities.

20 DOH greatly appreciates that the SD1 version retains the prohibition against “flavored e-liquids
21 and juices containing cannabis for vaporizing devices.” While many flavorings and additives
22 may be safe for oral ingestion, few, if any have been demonstrated as safe for inhalation as was
23 highlighted by the outbreak of e-cigarette, or vaping, product use-associated lung injury
24 (EVALI), which caused 2,807 hospitalized cases among all 50 states, the District of Columbia,
25 and two U.S. territories and 68 confirmed deaths.⁶ EVALI cases rapidly declined after vitamin E
26 acetate, a common dietary supplement was removed from products.

1 DOH also greatly appreciates that the SD1 version retains the requirement for “generic
2 packaging that uses only black lettering and contains no colors, pictures, cartoons, or images that
3 may appeal to children and youth,” the prohibitions on where advertising may occur, and
4 mandatory testing requirements. These will contribute to preventing youth exposure to cannabis
5 and cannabis products. And, the department appreciates retention of the broad authority vested in
6 the “Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority” under section A-8.

7 DOH emphasizes that in addition to a strong regulatory structure, which the SD1 version
8 provides, robust and ongoing health messaging and a comprehensive surveillance program to
9 monitor cannabis use and associated impacts in Hawaii as recommended by the Act 169 Dual
10 Use of Cannabis Task Force, Public Health and Safety Working Group should be implemented
11 before, and maintained after, adult-use legalization.⁷ These will be essential to protecting
12 vulnerable populations including youth and young adults, pregnant and breast-feeding women,
13 and individuals at-risk for cannabis-related disorders and mental health issues, and to help
14 mitigate the impacts from the increased accessibility of cannabis that legalized adult use will
15 bring. Even adults without health risks will need accurate information to make informed
16 decisions about personal use of cannabis.

17 Although legalized adult use will be restricted to those aged 21 and older, the human brain
18 continues to develop into the mid-20s and remains vulnerable to the effects of addictive
19 substances.^{8,9} According to the 2021 Monitoring the Future Panel Study Annual Report, in 2021
20 cannabis use in the past 12 months and past 30 days among young adults aged 19-30 reached the
21 highest levels ever recorded since 1988.¹⁰ Protecting young adults who are legally allowed to use
22 cannabis but still very vulnerable to its detrimental effects will be challenging.

23 The use of child-resistant packaging reduces unintentional pediatric poisonings from a wide
24 range of products.^{11,12,13} However, the measures still rely on the user to properly employ and
25 maintain the packaging. A recent retrospective analysis of National Poison Data System data for
26 pediatric exposures to edible cannabis products in children younger than age 6 years found an
27 increase of 1,375% from 2017-2021 with a significant increase in both ICU and non-ICU

1 admissions and there is substantial evidence that more unintentional exposures for children occur
2 in states with increased legal access to cannabis.^{14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24} Similar trends are being
3 noted among veterinary practices for animal intoxications. Cannabis consumers will need to be
4 educated on the need for safe storage, especially around children and pets.

5 Mental health, substance use, and youth suicide have been identified as high priorities this
6 legislative session and there is substantial evidence that adolescents and young adults who use
7 cannabis daily or near-daily are more likely than non-users to develop future psychotic disorders
8 such as schizophrenia and for daily or near-daily adult users to be diagnosed with a psychotic
9 disorder such as schizophrenia.^{25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34,35,36} There is also substantial evidence that
10 adolescent and young adult cannabis users are more likely than non-users to increase their use
11 and to develop cannabis use disorder and that increases in cannabis use frequency is generally
12 associated with progression to developing cannabis use disorder.^{37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45} Additionally,
13 there is moderate evidence that adolescents and young adults who use cannabis are more likely
14 than non-users to have suicidal thoughts or attempt suicide, and have an increased incidence of
15 suicide completion.^{46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,61,62} Data on cannabis use disorder trends and
16 treatment service data will need to be monitored to allow timely intervention.

17 Fetus and newborn exposure to cannabis is also a growing concern, with national estimates show
18 that between 3-7% of pregnant women report using cannabis while pregnant.^{63,64} Biological
19 evidence shows that tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is passed through the placenta of women who
20 use cannabis, is present in breast milk, and that the fetus and infant absorbs and metabolizes the
21 THC.^{65,66,67,68,69,70,71,72,73,74} There is substantial evidence of association between maternal
22 cannabis smoking and lower birth weight of offspring^{75,76} and moderate evidence that maternal
23 use of cannabis during pregnancy is associated with decreased academic ability, attention
24 problems, reduced cognitive function, and decreased IQ scores in exposed
25 offspring.^{77,78,79,80,81,82,83,84,85,86,87,88,89,90} Despite this, cannabis use among pregnant women has
26 continued to increase amidst the perceived lack of risk from the increasing acceptance and
27 accessibility of cannabis.^{91,92,93,94,95,96,97,98,99,100} Education of women of child-bearing age,
28 medical providers is needed as well as monitoring of use trends in this population.

1 Finally, DOH comments that the 30 day time frame from receipt of an application to issuing a
2 license proposed in section A-8 will be inadequate to “conduct investigations into the
3 qualifications of all applicants for... all applicants for licensure...” as provided in section A-5
4 (page 16, lines 16-18). Correspondence through the Cannabis Regulators Association has
5 confirmed that other states’ statutorily defined time frames from application to licensing range
6 up to 150 days with the most common being 90-120 days from receipt of application.

7 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

8 **Offered Amendments:**

9 The department respectfully requests the following amendment to version SD1:

- 10 • Page 23, lines 8-12, amend the language to read: “(1) Procedures for the application,
11 issuance, renewal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license to operate a cannabis
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**Thirty-Second State Legislature
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March 1, 2023

RE: S.B. 669, S.D. 1; RELATING TO CANNABIS.

Chair Keohokalole, Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Fukunaga, Vice-Chair Keith-Agaran, members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu ("Department") submits the following testimony in **strong opposition** to S.B. 669, S.D. 1.

The purpose of S.B. 669, S.D. 1, is to legalize the use of cannabis for adults, to create a new revenue source for the State. Although well-intentioned, the Department firmly believes that S.B. 669, S.D. 1, does not provide sufficient preparation for—nor sufficient data collection provisions to gauge—the public health, public safety, and societal impacts of cannabis legalization. Most notably, S.B. 669, S.D. 1, would establish a new agency to oversee and implement the entire cannabis legalization process; and **would give the agency free reign to establish all of its own rules and regulations pertaining to an application process and selection process for licensees, compliance and enforcement, inspections, adjudications, record-keeping, self-governance, hiring, salaries, and other matters; with virtually no standards, limitations, guidance, or minimum requirements from the Legislature.**¹ The agency's duties would include creating and overseeing the entire application and awards process for cultivation facilities, retail stores, testing facilities and dual use licenses. The proposed agency would even be authorized to "[i]ssue temporary emergency orders, directives, or instructions...without prior notice or hearing."

¹ See S.B. 669, S.D. 1, page 14, line 17, through page 18, line 3. Available online at https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/sessions/session2023/bills/SB669_SD1_.pdf. Last accessed February 28, 2023.

Rather than following the recommendations of the Legislature’s own Dual Use Cannabis Task Force (established by Act 169 (2021))—whose report was just issued in December 2022—S.B. 669, S.D. 1, would seek to rush-in to legalization without even attempting to establish any of the report’s task force or working group recommendations, thereby foregoing all of the difficult and labor-intensive multi-disciplinary discussions, groundwork, and further proposed legislation that is presumably needed to formulate a safe path towards legalization. “Given the *broad scope and complexity* of potential considerations and the *critical role of social equity* in the legalization of cannabis,”² the Dual Use Legal Cannabis Task Force unanimously recommended further study on a number of matters, rather than immediately adopting any recommendations immediately, stating that:

Without integrated social equity policies, the experience of other states, as well as a variety of scholarly research sources, have shown that these inequities only increase in emerging cannabis industries.

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In lieu of approving specific recommendations made by the Social Equity Working Group, the Dual Use Task Force requests legislators convene a new properly resourced Working Group to research Social Equity while considering a legal adult-use cannabis industry.

Per the Report, the Legalized Cannabis Social Equity Task Force is needed to provide recommendations on...

the level of legalization; resentencing and record clearance; remediation; funding the identification and processing of applicable records; removal of law enforcement oversight...civil asset forfeiture equity...equity in employment; custody; housing; insurance; real estate; banking; professional services; and community reinvestment...[as well as] social equity licensing; state support for social equity license applications; transition period; social equity license product sales during the transition; state support for social equity licensee businesses; affirmative action type protections; and qualifying for social equity designation.³

Clearly, there are a large number of issues that still need to be worked through, if the Legislature wishes to guide Hawaii wisely—rather than rashly—towards the legalization of cannabis.

To the extent that some of these policy matters are aimed at not wanting “big marijuana” to dictate the agenda nor the landscape for this potential future industry in Hawaii, the Department shares that concern. Having seen the level of influence that “big tobacco” had on America for so many generations—to the extent that, at times, actual science has been drowned out by the tune of commercial profits—the Department is deeply concerned that other states (that have legalized cannabis) are reportedly seeing a steady consolidation of ownership, despite any incentives or safeguards put in place to support small and/or disenfranchised business owners.

With regards to emerging science, the Department is **very concerned that potency levels are not addressed** in this bill, whether in terms of limits, regulations, oversight, or data collection. For public health and safety purposes, potency is emerging as a primary concern in other states (that have legalized cannabis), and it is our understanding that commercially-produced items are now

² See Dual Use Cannabis Task Force’s “Report of the Dual Use Cannabis Task Force to the Thirty-Fourth Legislature (“Report”), bottom of pg. 15. Emphasis added. Available online at <https://health.hawaii.gov/opppd/files/2022/12/Act-169-SLH-2022-Dual-Use-of-Cannabis-Task-Force-FINAL-REPORT.pdf> or https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/sessions/session2023/bills/DC192_.pdf. Last accessed February 14, 2023.

³ *Id.*, at pg. 32

reaching historically high levels of Delta-9 THC. As published in the Journal of the Missouri State Medical Association, and featured on the National Institute for Health website:

The primary problem with the current available cannabis in dispensaries in Colorado is that the THC content is not like it used to be. Prior to the 1990s it was less than 2%. In the 1990s it grew to 4%, and between 1995 and 2015 there has been a 212% increase in THC content in the marijuana flower. In 2017 the most popular strains found in dispensaries in Colorado had a range of THC content from 17–28% such as found in the popular strain named “Girl Scout Cookie.

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The flower or leaves that are generally smoked or vaped are only one formulation. We now have concentrated THC products such as oil, shatter, dab, and edibles that have been able to get the THC concentration upwards of 95%.⁴

By “including cannabis concentrates” into the overall definition of “cannabis,” (*see* pg. 5, ln. 13), and exempting cannabis from the offense of Promoting a harmful drug in every degree (*see* pgs. 33–37), this bill would essentially encourage the production and sale of the highest possible concentrations, which is a significant risk to public health and safety. This also ties-in to the Department’s **concerns about cannabis infused edible products**, particularly given the dramatic increase in exposure to children—see the Report’s reference to “pediatric poisoning”⁵—and potential effects on the future health and development of children.⁶

From 2017 to 2021, reported cannabis exposure to children rose from 207 to 3054, which represents a 1375% increase within 5 years.⁷ More generally, among all emergency room visits attributed to specific drugs in 2021, cannabis was the fourth most commonly cited drug, seen only 0.10% less frequently than methamphetamine use.⁸ Interestingly, cannabis accounted for more emergency room visits than heroin and fentanyl combined.⁹ For this and many other reasons, the American Medical Association expressly “continues to oppose legalization of cannabis. Legalization of cannabis *for adult use* is associated with increased traffic fatalities, exposures reported to poison control (*including infants and children*), emergency department visits, and cannabis-related hospitalizations.”¹⁰

Given the notable health risks associated with using cannabis at a young age, and the limited time that our Family Courts have to get troubled youth back on-track, the Department believes it

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¹⁰ American Medical Association Press Releases: “Expunge records of people convicted of now-legal cannabis charges” (June 14, 2022). Available online at: <https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center/press-releases/ama-expunge-records-people-convicted-now-legal-cannabis-charges>. Last accessed February 14, 2023.

heightened penalties should be imposed on those who would wrongfully transfer cannabis to minors. While selling or bartering marijuana to minors (pg. 40, lines 8-9) and distributing marijuana concentrate to minors (pg. 34, lines 10-11) are still prohibited, it is unclear what the penalty would be for simply transferring cannabis to a minor. Moreover, so long as the possession of three grams or less of marijuana continues to be a “violation” for adults,¹¹ this severely limits our Family Courts’ ability to require that juvenile offenders attend treatment, as they no longer qualify as “law violators” for this type of offense. (See HRS § 571-11(1) and 571-2, where the definition of “status offender” contains more information about “law violators.”) The Department would strongly urge this Committee to take this opportunity to provide juveniles with early intervention, community-based treatment, and counseling that could steer them away from this harmful behavior.

Another area of great concern is the correlation between the legalization of adult-use cannabis and a **4.8% increase in traffic fatalities, and 5.8% increase in traffic injuries**. Reportedly, cannabis use by a driver increases the odds of being in a traffic collision by 32%.¹²

Given the many ways in which the legalization of cannabis would have both direct and indirect effects on public safety and welfare, the Department strongly recommends that any future task forces—particularly those aimed at social equity and other legal reforms—**include representatives from the Judiciary, the Department of the Attorney General, and the various criminal justice and corrections agencies** (e.g. probation, parole, Public Defender, county prosecuting attorneys, police). By involving people from these various fields, who understand the way things work now, the laws behind the system, and the way things could most effectively be changed, that will provide the best-informed outcomes.

In 2019, the Legislature did create the Marijuana Evaluation Task Force (Act 273), with a goal of examining other states’ laws, penalties, and outcomes pertaining to cannabis use, in order to make recommendations on amending cannabis use penalties and outcomes in Hawaii. That task force was comprised of numerous stakeholders, including but not limited to the Department of the Attorney General, a Prosecuting Attorney selected by the co-chairs of the task force, and the Public Defender’s Office. Due to the intervening COVID pandemic, that task force was not able to complete its report in 2020, and thereafter, requested more time in 2021 (S.B. 1010) to issue its report. To date, it does not appear that any report was ever issued, yet these recommendations would be critical to any well-reasoned transition to legalizing cannabis in Hawaii. As such, the Department **strongly recommends awaiting and/or prompting the task force’s final report and recommendations on these matters**.

If one of the goals of legalizing cannabis is for the state to profit from tax revenues collected from the sale of cannabis, it seems highly unlikely that future cannabis users would be inclined to purchase their cannabis from established, regulated sources, when they can still obtain cannabis more cheaply or more easily from other sources, or potentially even grow their own. In 2022, the Hawaii Cannabis Industry Association enlisted the help of well-known economist Paul Brewbaker, who estimated that Hawaii’s existing, licensed medical dispensaries only control about 31% of the registered patient market share, indicating that 69% of authorized cannabis patients are obtaining their cannabis from other, unregulated sources (e.g. black market or homegrown). To date, there is

¹¹ See HRS §712-1249(2), which states in relevant part: “possession of three grams or less of marijuana is a violation, punishable by a fine of \$130.”

¹² See https://www.thenmi.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Changes-in-Traffic-Crash-Rates-After-Legalization_JSAD_July-2022.pdf

no indication that the Department of Health has been able to identify or control the existing black market cannabis industry, and no reason to think this would change under the provisions of S.B. 669, S.D. 1. Notably, in other states that have legalized cannabis, legalization actually prompted the *growth* of the black market cannabis industry, rather than reducing it.¹³

In closing, the Department reiterates our serious concerns that SB. 669, S.D. 1, would give primary responsibility for and oversight of the cannabis legalization process to an **entirely new agency, which would be authorized to establish all of its own rules, regulations, standards, and procedures**, for everything from establishing licensing applications and awards processes, to data-tracking and enforcement, to setting their own personnel needs and salaries, **with essentially no guidelines, limitations, or base requirements from the Legislature**.

Before any changes are made to legalize the use of cannabis in Hawaii, the Department believes a concerted, multi-disciplinary effort is needed, to develop a comprehensive system that orchestrates recommendations from all of the proposed tasks forces and working groups. In addition to developing our own ideas, Hawaii must take advantage of the opportunity to watch and learn from other states that legalized cannabis before us; additional data is still needed before we can determine whether any of the negative developments in those states are in fact due to “causation” or merely “correlation.” Given the strong potential for widespread abuse and negative effects on the community, the Department urges this Committee to give stakeholders more time to plan, discuss, and “get it right,” rather than just “get it fast.”

For all of the foregoing reasons, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu **strongly opposes** S.B. 669, S.D. 1. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

¹³ Detrano, Joseph, “Cannabis Black Market Thrives Despite Legalization,” Rutgers Center of Alcohol & Substance Use Studies. Available online at: <https://alcoholstudies.rutgers.edu/cannabis-black-market-thrives-despite-legalization/>. Last accessed February 14, 2023.

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TESTIMONY ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. No. 669, S.D.1, Relating to Cannabis

BEFORE THE:

Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and Senate Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Wednesday, March 1, 2023

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 211

Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz, Vice-Chairs Fukunaga and Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committees:

The Department of Taxation ("Department") offers the following comments regarding S.B. 669, S.D. 1, for your consideration.

S.B. 669, S.D.1, adds new chapters to the Hawaii Revised Statutes, (HRS), establishing regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of cannabis; decriminalizing and regulating cannabis for personal use; and establishing taxes for cannabis sales, all to reduce unregulated and illicit sales of cannabis by unlicensed entities. The bill has a defective effective date of March 22, 2075.

Section 2 of the bill creates a new chapter A, HRS, entitled "Legalization of Cannabis for Personal Use," and establishes the Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority ("Agency"), which will provide regulations, and oversight of the newly legalized cannabis industry and the duties associated with entity licensing. This section further transfers all powers, duties, and responsibilities of the Department of Health, including the medical cannabis control and regulation, to the Agency.

Section 5 of the bill, beginning on page 32, amends section 235-2.4(v), HRS, to allow deductions for expenses incurred in the production and sale of medical cannabis and manufactured cannabis products by dispensaries licensed under chapter 329D and their subcontractors, and any activity authorized by the new chapter A.

Part IV, Section 14 of the bill, beginning on page 40, creates a new chapter B, HRS, entitled "Cannabis Tax Law." Under section B-2 of the Cannabis Tax Law, retail cannabis stores and dual use cannabis dispensaries are required to obtain a permit from the Department for the sale of cannabis to consumers for personal use. Section B-4 imposes a tax at the rate of 10 percent on the sales price of cannabis sold in the State. The tax shall be paid only once upon the same cannabis and shall not apply to cannabis sold by one licensee to another licensee and cannabis sold for medical use by a medical cannabis dispensary under chapter 329D, HRS. All moneys collected pursuant to this chapter shall be paid into the state treasury as state realizations. Administration of this chapter is vested in the Director of Taxation.

The Department appreciates that the Senate Committee on Judiciary amended section B-2, on pages 42 to 43, by setting the annual permit fee at \$25.00 and duplicate permit fee at \$5.00, as requested by the Department to cover the administrative costs of processing the applications. The Department requests that these changes be maintained.

Further, the Department suggests that the provision in section B-9, on page 50, lines 5 to 10, which provides that the Agency shall have the authority of a "duly accredited tax official of the State pursuant to section 231-18" to inspect tax returns, be deleted, as the Agency is already provided with the authority to inspect returns pursuant to the provision on page 49, lines 16, to page 50, lines 1 to 5, and equating the Agency to a tax official of the State may cause confusion.

Assuming an effective date of January 1, 2024, the Department estimates a revenue gain to the general fund as follows (\$ millions):

FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
5.4	13.0	22.1	22.1	37.5	37.5

Finally, the Department notes that implementation of an initiative of this size will require additional resources and ample time to define the requirements, forms, and processes. Accordingly, the Department requests an effective date of no earlier than January 1, 2025.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.

STATE OF HAWAI‘I
OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

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Testimony of the Office of the Public Defender,
State of Hawai‘i to the Senate Committee on
Commerce and Consumer Protection and
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

March 1, 2023

S.B. No. 669 SD1: RELATING TO CANNABIS

Chair Keohokalole, Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Fukunaga, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committees:

The Office of the Public Defender supports S.B. No. 669 SD1, which would legalize, regulate, and tax cannabis and manufactured cannabis products for responsible, adult use.

The legalization of cannabis and manufactured cannabis products will not create or normalize the commercial marijuana market. Nor will legalization drive consumer demand. *The marijuana market already exists.* This market, however, remains underground, and those involved in it largely remains unaccountable. Unregulated sellers do not pay taxes; they do not check identification to ensure that buyers are 21 years old or older; and they do not test the purity of their product. Moreover, any disputes that arise in the illicit marketplace are not adjudicated in the courts of law.

By contrast, legalization and regulation will allow the State of Hawai‘i to establish legal parameters regarding where, when, and how the cannabis market may operate, similar to the rules and regulations established in the medical marijuana industry. Authorities will actually know who is selling marijuana, where it is being sold, when, and to whom. Cannabis will be produced and sold by legitimate, taxpaying businesses instead of drug cartels and criminals. These businesses will be required to test their products and adhere to strict labeling and packaging requirements that ensure cannabis is identifiable and consumers know what they are getting. Legalizing and regulating cannabis will disrupt the illegal marijuana market, end low-level marijuana citations and arrests, and create jobs and new revenue. It will further promote public health and safety by taking the marijuana trade away from unregulated operators and placing it in the hands of licensed businesses.

Recent data provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports a decrease¹ in lifetime marijuana use by young people over the better part of the past decade. Scientists believe that cannabis regulation is partly responsible for spurring this decline. Specifically, a 2019 study² published in JAMA (Journal of American Medical Association) Pediatrics concluded: “[M]arijuana use among youth may actually decline after legalization for recreational purposes. This latter result is consistent ... with the argument that it is more difficult for teenagers to obtain marijuana as drug dealers are replaced by licensed dispensaries that require proof of age.”

To be clear, the OPD does not support this bill out of a belief that marijuana is harmless. In fact, it is precisely because cannabis is not altogether harmless that reform advocates opine that it should be legalized and regulated accordingly – with restrictions on who can purchase and consume it, when and where they can do so, and at what age.

Ultimately, the establishment of a regulatory framework allowing for the legal, licensed commercial production and retail sale of cannabis and manufactured cannabis products to adults best reduces the risks associated with the marijuana’s use or abuse and acknowledges the reality that consumers’ demand for marijuana is here to stay. By contrast, advocating for marijuana’s continued criminalization denies this reality and compounds the public safety risks posed by the unregulated market.

Finally, the Office of the Public Defender respectfully requests that this measure be amended to include the authorization of the expungement of records relating to the arrest, criminal charge, or conviction of a person for marijuana offenses similar to the language set forth in PART IV, SECTION 11 of S.B. No. 375 SD1, Relating to Cannabis [*see* S.B. No. 375, page 21, line 20 to page 26, line 12].

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

¹ See CDC, “Prescription Opioid Misuse and Use of Alcohol and Other Substances Among High School Students – Youth Risk Behavior Survey, United States, 2019,” August 21, 2020, <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/su/su6901a5.htm> (last visited, January 13, 2023).

² See JAMA, “Association of Marijuana Laws with Teen Marijuana Use,” July 8, 2019, [https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/2737637?guestAccessKey=5e4e41eb-ec96-4641-86f9-b5c89cc7cc48&utm_source=For The Media&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=ftm_links&utm_content=tf1](https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/2737637?guestAccessKey=5e4e41eb-ec96-4641-86f9-b5c89cc7cc48&utm_source=For%20The%20Media&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=ftm_links&utm_content=tf1), (last visited, January 13, 2023).

To: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,
Senator Jarrett Keoholalole, Chair of the Senate Commerce and Consumer Protection
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Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, and
Members of the Senate Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee.

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RE: Testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of Senate Bill (SB) 669 SD1

RELATING TO CANNABIS.

Establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis. Decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use. Establishes taxes for cannabis sales. Dear Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Members of the Joint Committee:

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Aloha Green Apothecary is a state licensed medical cannabis dispensary licensee operating on Oahu since 2016. Aloha Green Apothecary STRONGLY SUPPORTS SB669 SD1's intent to establish a program to allow for the responsible adult-use of cannabis. We look forward to the day when adults 21 years and older can use cannabis without stigma and persecution. We hope this day comes as soon as possible and urge the Committee to consider the fastest, most effective, and lowest cost path to a successful adult-use program made in Hawaii for Hawaii.

SB669 SD1 builds an adult-use cannabis program upon the existing success of the 329 medical cannabis program by providing for the sale of highly regulated cannabis products without the need for a 329 medical cannabis card. The same strict product standards coupled with an experienced regulator's oversight.

Aloha Green Apothecary submits that SB669 presents the most cost-effective administration and oversight by building upon the experience gained from the highly regulated medical 329 cannabis dispensary program. Further, a governor-appointed cannabis manager provides greater flexibility through rule making powers and program transparency through timely reporting. The existing regulatory office will be nimble and able to respond to law or rule changes effectively. Strictly enforced regulations based on an existing medical program ensure safeguards for the community and the continued benefit to the State.

The proposed 10% excise tax rate plus GET would generate over \$81 million new tax revenue based on an estimated \$423 million annual adult-use cannabis sales. State liquor and tobacco taxes generated a combined \$67 million in 2022 according to DoTAX annual reporting. Cannabis taxes will be more than enough to support regulation efforts with excess for fund education, mental health and other State initiatives. The Department of Health budgets approximately \$2.7 million for the Department of Health's Office of Medical Cannabis Control

and Regulation which administers both the Patient Registry Program and the Medical Cannabis Dispensary Program.

Finally, the transition pilot period provides for a phased and balanced approach which allows legislators and regulators to generate tax revenue quickly with a highly regulated program while allowing flexibility to make future program changes tailored for Hawaii.

The State does not have to allow existing medical dispensaries the right to sell right away, but there does need to be legal sales as soon as adult-use legalization is passed to ensure the illicit market does not fill the sales vacuum. See link to recent New York Times' February 24, 2023 article: [Kids Buying Weed From Bodegas Wasn't in the 'Legal Weed' Plan](#), reporting how preventable licensing and sales delays in New York lead to a burgeoning illicit market. But the medical dispensaries have shown they can operate in the highly regulated Hawaiian market and should be afforded an opportunity to play a role in both medical and adult-use cannabis programs.

SB669 SD1 is an uncomplicated legalization bill which contains requested amendments from the Office of the Attorney General; the Department of Taxation and the Department of Health. We submit that SB669 SD1 represents the best vehicle for additional stakeholder and House amendments.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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To: Senator Donavan Dela Cruz, Chair of Senate Ways and Means Committee
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Protection Committee;
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From: Jaclyn Moore, Pharm.D., CEO Big Island Grown Dispensaries

Re: In STRONG SUPPORT of SB669, RELATING TO CANNABIS

Aloha Chairs, Vice-Chairs, and Members of the Committees:

Big Island Grown Dispensaries is one of eight medical cannabis dispensary licensees in the State. We operate a production facility and 3 retail locations on the Big Island of Hawaii. In addition, our medical cannabis operation currently employs and contracts with over 80 Big Island residents.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in **SUPPORT of SB669**. This important measure would establish a regulatory framework for the legalization of adult cannabis use in the islands.

Recently, the Hawaii Cannabis Industry Association (HICIA) released the results of a public opinion poll that showed 86% of Hawaii residents support legalizing cannabis. Even with this popularity, however, most residents are clear that regulations must be established to ensure both users and the public are safeguarded and that the State fiscally benefits from legalization.

SB669 would achieve these policy objectives of ensuring safety and maximizing fiscal impacts to the State.

Transition Period to Maximize Safety, Enable Thoughtful Regulations and Reduce Black Market Risk

SB669 provides for a "transition period" before issuance of new licenses to ensure the State can study and analyze the marketplace to develop thoughtful regulations. Additionally, the measure would discourage the proliferation of illicit activities by allowing initial legal sales to begin through highly regulated medical dispensaries.



Reducing State's Cost for Administration and Oversight

SB669 would establish a cannabis "Authority" that would utilize the existing expertise, resources and staff of the Department of Health's Office of Cannabis Control and Regulation. By doing so, SB669 eliminates the need for the State to appropriate funding to establish a new agency at the outset of legalization. Moreover, given the tax revenue projections, this State program can expand as the industry grows and would be financially sustainable from the start.

Legal Market Opportunities and Licenses

SB669 would establish three license types – Cultivation, Retail, and Dual Use. These license types would create market opportunities for varied operations to participate in the cannabis industry and help to grow our local economy.

New Cannabis Tax

SB669 would establish a new 10% cannabis tax that is expected to help generate over \$81 million in taxes for the state when combined with GET, wholesale, corporate and income taxes (see HICIA adult use cannabis report). This would create a substantial revenue stream to support a number of State programs and projects in addition to the administration of the program to regulate the industry.

For the reasons above, we respectfully urge the Committee to pass SB669 to fulfill the desires of the community for cannabis legalization and generate revenue for the state while ensuring safety in the industry.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Jaclyn L. Moore, Pharm.D.
CEO
Big Island Grown Dispensaries

To: Committee on Judiciary

02-28-23

Regarding : SB669 SD1 Relating to Cannabis

Stance : Testimony in opposition

Aloha Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Kai Luke, a representative of Cannabis Society of Hawai'i a diverse group of Community members made up of Native Hawaiians, People of Hawai'i, 329 Patients, Health Care Professionals, Dispensary workers, Previous Dispensary workers, Industry Professionals, Concerned Citizens, and Advocates in Health and Wellness.

According to previous testimony on this matter by Gary Yabuta the Executive Director of the Hawaii High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)--a grant-funded program of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, "SB 669 if enacted would prove to be difficult to implement, regulate and enforce."

This is why more time is needed to develop a better bill that has better language and isn't rushed.

The Attorney General has testimony on this matter highlighting a "Conflict with Federal Laws" and that "Further Preparation is Needed to Develop Adequate Regulations".

Without integrating Social Equity / Expungement written in, we cannot support this bill. There needs to be more conversation on how we should be doing better for the Community instead of taking away rights.

Although we strongly support Decriminalization and the opportunity for Adults to purchase Cannabis at a retail location, the structure and framework of this bill is ambiguous and needs some work.

As Pro-Cannabis group, one would think we would be on board for anything Cannabis related, however with the understanding of how the program has provided for Medical Patients since inception, we feel uneasy and doubtful this bill addresses the main issues that our island and people deal with.

The need for Inclusion is and should be of top priority and it has not been addressed and therefore we cannot move forward with this bill.

Please consider this a NO vote for SB669 SD1.

Mahalo,

Kai Luke, Cannabis Society of Hawai'i
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February 28, 2023

Re: SB669 SD1

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The Coalition for a Drug-Free Hawaii opposes SB669 SD1

Aloha, my name is Greg Tjapkes, and I am the Executive Director of the Coalition for a Drug-Free Hawaii (CDFH), as a drug abuse prevention youth-serving agency we STRONGLY OPPOSE SB669 SD1.

Legalizing recreational marijuana is a bad idea for Hawaii

THC potency has increased from 3% in the 1970s, to over 25% today. THC concentrates can reach 90-95% potency.¹ Legalizing cannabis without THC limits would pose a danger to our keiki. Calling cannabis 'natural' and 'just a plant', would be analogous to legalizing the poppy or coca leaves and all of their potential by-products and derivatives.

1. Costs will outweigh underwhelming Revenue Projections

- Cannabis tax revenues are expected to range from \$36-\$51 million in year five, which represents approximately 0.5% of total tax collections.
- Isaac Choy, Director, Department of Taxation²
- In Colorado, for every \$1 of tax revenue, the state spends \$4.50 counteracting legalization's effects.³
- What are the projected costs? We should not proceed without a cost/benefit analysis.

2. Harms to Mothers and Children

- **Pregnancy:** "No amount of marijuana use during pregnancy or adolescence is known to be safe." - Dr. Jerome Adams, U.S. Surgeon General, 2019
- **Pediatric poisonings:** Calls to poison control centers about kids 5 and under consuming edibles containing THC rose 1375% from 2017 to 2021.⁴

¹ Cannabis Policy: Public Health and Safety Issues and Recommendations. Caucus on International Narcotics Control, United States Senate, March 3, 2021, Washington, D.C. Report, <https://www.drugcaucus.senate.gov/sites/default/files/02%20March%202021%20-%20Cannabis%20Policy%20Report%20-%20Final.pdf>.

² <https://health.hawaii.gov/medicalcannabis/files/2022/08/CANNABIS-TAX-PIG-REPORT-FINAL.pdf>

³ Economic and Social Costs of Legalized Marijuana [Study]. (2018, November 15). In Centennial Institute. Retrieved February 1, 2019, from <http://www.ccu.edu/centennial/policy-briefs/marijuana-costs/>

⁴ <https://www.nbcnews.com/health/health-news/reports-young-children-accidentally-eating-marijuana-edibles-soar-rcna63501>

3. Youth Use, Mental Health, and Suicide

- **Cannabis Use Disorder:** Marijuana is the #1 drug in Hawaii (64.7%) for adolescent substance abuse treatment⁵
- **Psychosis and Suicidal ideation:** Frequency and higher THC potency are associated with psychosis, suicidality, reshaping of brain matter, and addiction⁶
- **Vaping Marijuana:** 12.5% of Hawaii teens report vaping marijuana⁷

4. Increased Drugged Driving Deaths

- THC positivity among fatally injured drivers [in Hawaii] increased nearly threefold, from 5.5% in 1993-2000, to 16.3% in 2011-2015.⁸
- Marijuana is involved in more than **1 in 4** road deaths in Colorado.⁹

5. Black Market Won't Go Away

- In legalized states the black market is expanding as they undercut the retail price. In 2018 CA grew 12 million pounds of pot but only sold 2.5 million.
- In California, 7,200 marijuana vape cartridges were seized in a single bust of a warehouse tied to state-licensed Kushy Brands (Peltz, 2019).

This is not about social justice. Decriminalization, when done properly, can begin to solve the issues social justice. This is about public health and safety, and whether it is in the best interest of the state of Hawaii to legalize another intoxicating and addictive substance?

Please vote no on SB669 SD1.

Thank you,

Greg Tjapkes
Executive Director
Coalition for a Drug-Free Hawaii

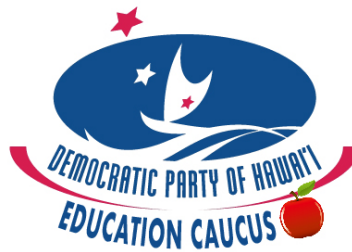
⁵ ADAD Report to the Legislature 2021, p. 37

⁶ Cinnamon Bidwell et al., 2018; Di Forti et al., 2019; Fischer et al., 2017; Pierre et al., 2016.

⁷ 2019-2020 Hawai'i Student Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Use (ATOD) Survey, p. 38

⁸ Motor vehicle crash fatalities and undercompensated care associated with legalization of marijuana. Susan Steinemann, MD, Daniel Galanis, PhD, Tiffany Nguyen, and Walter Biffi, MD, Honolulu, Hawaii

⁹ Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. (2019). The legalization of marijuana in Colorado: The impact. <https://rmhidta.org/files/D2DF/FINAL-Volume6.pdf>.



SENATE BILL 669, SD1, RELATING TO CANNABIS

MARCH 1, 2023 · SENATE CONSUMER PROTECTION
AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES · CHAIRS
SEN. JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE AND SEN. DONOVAN
DELA CRUZ

POSITION: Support with amendments.

RATIONALE: The Democratic Party of Hawai'i Education Caucus supports and suggests amendments for SB 669, SD1, relating to cannabis, which establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis, decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use, and establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

It is high time that Hawai'i stopped criminalizing people for smoking small amounts of a plant. While cannabis remains illegal under federal law, where it is classified as a Schedule I substance, the facts about cannabis consumption are clear. To begin, cannabis has a lower organic toxicity and addictive risk than alcohol, along with fewer correlating incidents of influence-related accidents and violence. More than half of all traffic fatalities in Hawai'i involve alcohol, yet no one seriously discusses the possibility of prohibition because of path dependence. In other words, alcohol is ingrained in our culture in a way that cannabis consumption is not, despite the former being more dangerous, statistically speaking, than the latter.

Similarly, cannabis abuse and dependence afflict approximately 1.7 percent of the U.S. population, while alcohol abuse afflicts roughly 7.5 percent—over four times as many individuals.

Cannabis is also not conclusively linked to an increase in violent behavior. Rather, reports supposedly linking cannabis to violent crimes typically rely on information gathered by the Office of National Drug Control Policy, which, in turn, relies on source material that a) does not account for drug-trafficking and dispositional or psychological disorders; and b) fails to account for levels of deviancy (increased usage beyond average consumption rates). A more stark statistical correlation exists between increased alcohol consumption and violent crime, including child and intimate partner abuse, yet, again, no one is introducing, much less considering the merits of, limiting the personal consumption of alcohol. Additionally, only 30 percent of frequent (every other day or more) cannabis users report symptoms suggesting dependence, in contrast to nearly 70 percent for nicotine and 88 percent for harder drugs, like cocaine, calling into question legal opinions asserting that cannabis and hard drugs can be readily correlated to one another. If we do not criminalize overconsumption of the more dangerous drug of alcohol, in and of itself, why, once more, do we unduly criminalize cannabis consumption, particularly in small amounts?

Furthermore, legalizing recreational cannabis usage is an issue of restorative justice. As the visitor industry reaps record profits and supports expansion of the local prison-industrial complex, people of Native Hawaiian ancestry, who comprise approximately 25 percent of the state's population, suffer the pangs of a biased criminal (in)justice system. Approximately 39 percent of incarcerated detainees are Hawaiian, according to a comprehensive study by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, with the proportionality gap being even greater for Hawaiian women, who comprise 19.8 percent of the state's female population, but 44 percent of the state's female inmate population. Researchers also found that, on average, Hawaiians receive longer sentences, more parole revocations, and, importantly for this measure, **harsher drug-related punishments than other ethnic groups**, including for cannabis possession. Therefore, passage this measure is a step toward reforming and preventing more people from becoming victims of our unjust and racially coded prison system.

Legalizing recreational cannabis could generate at least \$81.7 million in tax revenue annually for our state according to a study published by the Hawai'i Cannabis Industry Association in January and would produce substantial additional criminal justice savings that could be spent delivering a quality education to our keiki, building basic infrastructure, expanding access to healthcare, and constructing truly affordable housing. Even the more conservative \$50

million revenue estimate produced by the Hawai'i Department of Taxation last year is enough to "stand up" a local cannabis industry. Many states have established well-regulated recreational cannabis industries that include restorative justice components for less than \$5 million.

Yet, we have concerns about the inadequacy of this measure as it currently stands. **To begin, this measure does not include any provisions regarding social equity.** As we struggle to fix our state's overcrowded prisons, we must enact systemic solutions that promote social justice and help to alleviate Hawai'i's mass incarceration problem. If implemented sensibly, cannabis legalization could lead to the most comprehensive mass expungement program ever seen on our shores, with people who have been incarcerated for cannabis infractions having their criminal records expunged and being released from the legal constraints that have unjustly impeded their ability to attain financial security and, in many cases, stolen their basic freedom. **Social equity must form the heart of any forward-thinking cannabis legalization program.** Our society's most marginalized people should be first in line to participate in the cannabis industry that we are seeking to grow. Agricultural and business practices should be based on regenerative, sustainable, and indigenous cultivation methods to ensure that cannabis operations uplift the needs and values of Hawai'i residents, not the profits of multistate corporations. **Yet, again, SB 669 lacks any reference to social equity, which would only exacerbate the harm endured by those who have been prosecuted for cannabis and their families.**

Accordingly, we urge your committee to pass language found in the original draft of SB 375 regarding social equity. We also encourage you to look at the fee and tax structure that was originally proposed in SB 375, which would guarantee that everyone pays their fair share to participate in the cannabis marketplace, including current medical dispensaries. Finally, we invite you to consider inserting additional protections for local cannabis operations into the bill to prevent multistate corporations—the so-called "Walmarts of cannabis"—from controlling our islands' cannabis industry, including the adoption of language that would allow a Hawai'i Cannabis Authority to set fees for non-local operators that far exceed those charged to local businesses (which should cost no more than a contractors' license), and provisions that would give people of Native Hawaiian ancestry preference in obtaining cannabis licenses.

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To: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair of Senate Ways and Means Committee
Senator Jarrett Keoholalole, Chair of Senate Commerce and Consumer
Protection Committee
Members of the Committees

Fr: Casey Rothstein, CEO of Green Aloha Ltd.; Kauai's Medical Cannabis License

Re: **Testimony In Strong Support of Senate Bill (SB) 669**
RELATING TO CANNABIS
Establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of
cannabis. Decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use.
Establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

Dear Chair, Vice-Chair and Members of the Committee:

Green Aloha is the sole Medical Cannabis Dispensary License for the Island of Kauai. Green Aloha **strongly supports SB669** as an important bill for cannabis reform in the State of Hawai'i.

SB 669 addresses many concerns raised in the past about the implementation of an Adult-use of cannabis program in the State of Hawai'i. As written this bill creates a program that is **cost effective** to administer coupled with some of the **strongest and highest standards** of oversight in the nation.

SB 669's proposed 10% cannabis excise tax and 4.5% GET tax on legal cannabis sales are estimated to generate **\$81 million in revenue surplus** for the state annually. The State of Hawai'i already has this economic activity occurring but it takes place in the illicit market which is untaxed, unregulated and in many cases unsafe.

This bill also sets very high safeguards to protect the community, especially individuals under the age of 21. The current status quo in regards to cannabis laws in Hawai'i do not keep our communities or children safe due to the unknown nature of the cannabis that exists on the streets. Not taking action to bring illicit cannabis activity into the light where it can be taxed, regulated, and the public can be educated, continues to put our communities at risk.

Lastly, SB 669 ensures that the Adult-Use of cannabis in Hawai'i is a phased in balanced approach to legalization specific to Hawai'i. Hawai'i benefits from learning from all the mistakes other states have made in the implementation of an Adult-use programs and this bill carefully takes into consideration language to avoid those missteps. This bill creates efficient and effective implementation while minimizing the potential risks of illicit criminal activity and other unintended consequences. This bill will also strengthen the medical cannabis program as it will result in additional access points and wider varieties of products for patients. Passing this measure will create economic opportunity in the state while also taking the necessary actions to make our communities even safer.

Thank you for considering this extremely important and timely piece of legislation and the opportunity to testify.



SB669 SD1 Decriminalize and Tax (Legal language) Cannabis

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Wednesday, Mar 1 2023: 9:0 : Room 211 Videoconference

Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition **Opposes SB669 SD1 Until**

- **Prevention funding is increased to help kids and**
- **Media Campaign to inform kids is required,**
- **Add Funding for treatment cannabis use disorder.**

ALOHA CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND DISTINGUISHED COMMITTEE MEMBERS. My name is Alan Johnson. I am the current chair of the Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition (HSAC), a statewide organization for substance use disorder and co-occurring mental health disorder treatment and prevention agencies and recovery services.

Opposition - Recommendation

We **strongly urge that significant prevention funds** be added to this bill because a growing number of youth are having problems with cannabis as well as significant data indicates cannabis is harmful to youth's developing brain

Moreover, we **strongly urge Hawaii to follow other states who developed a short-term media campaign** to inform kids about the dangers of using before adulthood.

As cannabis use increases, so will the **need for treatment for cannabis use disorders**. Please include funding for much needed treatment.

Data

In Hawaii, substance use disorder treatment agencies report that 63.5% of kids presenting for treatment do so because of problems stemming from overuse of cannabis. (Department of Health: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division 2015)

In 2019, 37% of US high school students reported lifetime use of marijuana and 22% reported use in the past 30 days.¹

The **teen brain is actively developing** and continues to develop until around age 25. Marijuana use during adolescence and young adulthood may harm the developing brain.²

Negative effects of teen marijuana use include³:

- Difficulty thinking and problem-solving,
- Problems with memory and learning,
- Reduced coordination.
- Difficulty maintaining attention,
- Problems with school and social life.

How marijuana can impact a teen's life:

- **Increased risk of mental health issues.** Marijuana use has been linked to a range of mental health problems, such as depression and social anxiety. People who use marijuana are more likely to develop temporary psychosis (not knowing what is real, hallucinations, and paranoia) and long-lasting mental disorders, including schizophrenia (a type of mental illness where people might see or hear things that aren't there). The association between marijuana and schizophrenia is stronger in people who start using marijuana at an earlier age and use marijuana more frequently.
- **Impaired driving.** Driving while impaired by any substance, including marijuana, is dangerous and illegal. Marijuana negatively affects several skills required for safe driving, such as reaction time, coordination, and concentration.
- **Potential for addiction.** Approximately 3 in 10 people who use marijuana have marijuana use disorder.⁷ Some signs and symptoms of marijuana use disorder include trying but failing to quit using marijuana or giving up important activities with friends and family in favor of using marijuana. The risk of developing marijuana use disorder is stronger in people who start using marijuana during youth or adolescence and who use marijuana more frequently.

While adults experience short term effects, youth can also experience long term effects:³

Long-Term Effects

Marijuana also affects brain development. When people begin using marijuana as **teenagers**, the drug **may impair thinking, memory, and learning functions and affect how the brain builds connections** between the areas necessary for

¹ Jones CM, Clayton HB, Deputy NP, Roehler DR, Ko JY, Esser MB, Brookmeyer KA, Hertz MF. Prescription Opioid Misuse and Use of Alcohol and Other Substances Among High School Students – Youth Risk Behavior Survey, United States, 2019. MMWR Suppl. 2020 Aug 21;69(1):38-46.

² Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Marijuana and Public Health <https://www.cdc.gov/marijuana/health-effects/teens.html>

³ NIDA. 2019, December 24. Cannabis (Marijuana) DrugFacts. Retrieved from <https://nida.nih.gov/publications/drugfacts/cannabis-marijuana> on 2023, February 11

these functions. Researchers are still studying how long marijuana's effects last and whether some changes may be permanent.

A study by researchers at Duke University showed that people who started smoking marijuana heavily in their **teens** and had an ongoing marijuana use disorder **lost an average of 8 IQ points** between ages 13 and 38. The lost mental abilities didn't fully return in those who quit marijuana as adults. Those who started smoking marijuana as adults didn't show notable IQ declines.⁴

We recommend the bill identifies significant resources for prevention funding as well as funding for treatment and clearly describes the state's role and responsibilities for a communication/media campaign to inform youth.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony and are available for questions.

⁴ Meier MH, Caspi A, Ambler A, et al. Persistent cannabis users show neuropsychological decline from childhood to midlife. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A*. 2012;109(40):E2657-E2664. doi:10.1073/pnas.1206820109.



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Date: February 27, 2023

To: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
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Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair
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Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer
Protection

Re: Oppose SB669 SD1, Relating to Cannabis

Hrg: Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 9:30 AM, Conf Rm 211

The Hawai'i Public Health Institute takes no position on the legalization of cannabis. However, we **oppose SB669 SD1** because of its lack of public health regulations to ensure the health and safety of the state. Below are more specific reasons for our opposition and **amendment recommendations**, should the committees desire to pass this measure.

Place the Regulatory Authority within the Department of Health

The regulatory system proposed in this bill needs to be clarified to protect our state's health and safety. The Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority, the lead body tasked with regulating non-medical cannabis, lacks any definitive, expert qualifications that would ensure that policies created are science-based and protect the health and safety of the community. We recommend placing the regulatory authority within the Department of Health (DOH). The DOH already has structure, experience, and staff expertise in regulating cannabis through its Office of Medical Cannabis Control and Regulation. While staffing will likely need to be expanded to provide the proper oversight of non-medical cannabis, placing the authority within the DOH prioritizes public health protections. It will better ensure the safety and health of our communities.

We believe that the committee must, at minimum, restructure the Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority if we are to protect our community's health and safety successfully. We respectfully oppose SB669 SD1 for its lack of specificity related to public health measures and request you consider our amendments should the committee pass this measure.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with me at rick@hiphi.org or by phone at (808) 591-6508 x22.

Mahalo,

Rick Collins
Project Director for Drug-Free Coalitions
Hawai'i Public Health Institute



Submitted Online: February 27, 2023

HEARING: Wednesday, March 1, 2023

TO: Senate Committee on Consumer Protection Senate Committee on Ways & Means
Sen. Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair Sen. Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
Sen. Carol Fukunaga, Vice-Chair Sen. Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair

FROM: Eva Andrade, President

RE: Opposition to SB669 SD1 Relating to Cannabis

Hawaii Family Forum is a non-profit, pro-family education organization committed to preserving and strengthening families in Hawaii. As such, we have serious concerns about this bill and its ultimate ramifications on the wider community – especially with regards to our keiki. Although we leave the discussion as to the regulatory functions and applicability of its passage to the experts, establishing legal recreational marijuana is a serious and major policy change for our community.

Let’s fix the vaping problem in Hawaii before we create a situation that may very well be exacerbated by legalized recreational marijuana. On February 16, 2021, Governor David Ige presented a report on the Hawaii Student Health Behaviors. Although some positive results were mentioned, he also expressed great concern regarding “the high number of youth who have tried electronic smoking devices, with 31% (or almost 1 in 3) of high school students using electronic vapor products”ⁱ News stories at that time referred to an effort by the State Department of Health to reduce that number,ⁱⁱ but it continues to grow.

If the youth in Hawai’i are already dabbling in an illegal substance at such high rates, even with the attempt to provide deeper restrictions, do we really believe that marijuana will somehow escape their attention and use? Marijuana concentrates are being used in vaping devices and even the DEA has recognizedⁱⁱⁱ that the marijuana used in vaping contains a higher concentrate. Because marijuana is a performance-degrading drug, school aged keiki who access it will most certainly be put at a disadvantage.

The use of edible products is another way that our youth could access marijuana and that could be a huge unintended consequence. According to Smart Approaches to Marijuana^{iv}, youth drug use has risen in every state that has legalized recreational marijuana.^v We must do everything in our power to ensure that does not happen Hawaii.

According to Jonathan P. Caulkins, “The Real Dangers of Marijuana,” (2019) “[o]ne could speculate that legalization might make marijuana abuse and dependence less common, because generally healthy people will start to use occasionally, and that influx could dilute the proportion who abuse or are dependent. But one could just as easily speculate that legalization will bring more marketing, more potent products (like "dabs"), or products that are more pleasant to use (like "vaping" pens), any of which could increase the risk that experimenting could progress to problematic use. This is all speculation, of course. But what can be said empirically is that, within the context of aggregate use in the United States at this time, the best available data suggest that marijuana creates abuse and dependence at higher rates than does alcohol.”^{vi}



Legalization and the perceived societal acceptance are detrimental to the overall safety and wellbeing of our keiki. Family factors can serve both protective and risk functions in adolescents' substance use. We hear stories of access to illegal substances because of an adult in their own family network. These same individuals have been the connection for their ability to gain easy access to marijuana purchased by adults for "medicinal" use. Legalization of recreational marijuana will make this worse.

Marijuana may impair judgment, motor function, and reaction time. Studies have found a direct relationship between blood THC concentration and impaired driving abilities. According to the Conference of National State Legislatures, "[t]esting for drug impairment is problematic due to the limitations of drug-detecting technology and the lack of an agreed-upon limit to determine impairment. The nationally recognized level of impairment for drunken driving is .08 g/mL blood alcohol concentration. But there is no similar national standard for drugged driving."^{vii}

The bottom line is that by legalizing the recreational use of marijuana, we believe it will affect adolescents' use by increasing its availability through social connections, by creating a message within social norms that show marijuana use as a normal thing, and by reinforcing beliefs that marijuana use is not harmful. If marijuana possession and use is no longer a punishable offense it will be more readily available, as users of marijuana will no longer be deterred by fear of punishment. Surely Hawai'i deserves better than that!

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit our strong concerns.

ⁱ [21-026-New-findings-show-promising-trends-in-Hawaii-student-health-behaviors.pdf](#) (February 16, 2021) (accessed 02/10/23)

ⁱⁱ (2022, October 29). *Hawaii DOH launches new campaign to stamp out teen vaping*. KITV 4. Retrieved February 10, 2023, from https://www.kitv.com/video/news/hawaii-doh-launches-new-campaign-to-stamp-out-teen-vaping/video_49d69be0-7890-5c29-99a3-d8e712fb4007.html

ⁱⁱⁱ (2019, May 8). *Vaping and Marijuana Concentrates*. DEA.gov. Retrieved February 10, 2023, from https://www.dea.gov/sites/default/files/2019-10/VapingMarijuana_Brochure_2019_508.pdf

^{iv} Smart Approaches to Marijuana (n.d.). *2020 Impact Report*. Learnaboutsam.org. Retrieved February 13, 2023, from <https://learnaboutsam.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/2020-Impact-Report1.pdf>

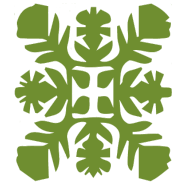
^v (n.d.). *SAM Frequently Asked Questions*. SAM Smart Approaches to Marijuana. Retrieved February 10, 2023, from <https://learnaboutsam.org/faq/#sam19>

^{vi} Caulkins, J. P. (n.d.). *The Real Dangers of Marijuana*. National Affairs. Retrieved February 10, 2023, from <https://www.nationalaffairs.com/publications/detail/the-real-dangers-of-marijuana>

^{vii} National Conference of State Legislators (2022, November 11). *Drugged Driving | Marijuana-Impaired Driving*. NCSL. Retrieved February 10, 2023, from <https://www.ncsl.org/transportation/drugged-driving-marijuana-impaired-driving>



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Witness to Jesus

LATE

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HEARING: March 1, 2023

TO: Senate Committee on CPC
Sen. Jarrett Keohokaole, Chair
Sen. Carol Fukunaga, Vice-Chair

Senate Committee on WAM
Sen. Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
Sen. Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair

FROM: Eva Andrade, Executive Director, Hawaii Catholic Conference

POSITION: Opposition to SB 669 SD1 Relating to Cannabis

Honorable members of the Senate Health & Human Services and Consumer Protection Committees, I am Eva Andrade, representing the Hawaii Catholic Conference, the public policy voice for the Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in opposition to SB 669 SD1.

While the Catholic Church does not teach that the use of marijuana specifically is inherently sinful, paragraph 2291 of the Catechism describes the use of drugs in general, describing it as a “grave offense” when used apart from strictly therapeutic reasons. It also states in paragraph 2211 that the political community has a duty to protect the security and health of families, especially with respect to drugs.

Legalizing marijuana for recreational usage will adversely affect families, communities, workers, and health outcomes. In fact, the American Medical Association (AMA) believes that cannabis is a “dangerous drug and...is a serious public health concern” and that the sale of cannabis for adult recreational use should not be legalized.ⁱ

Once you go this route, you will ultimately send a message to children that drug use is socially and morally acceptable. We have witnessed the rise of vaping among our youth, and thereby we remain strongly concerned that this attempt to raise revenue will ultimately come at a social cost that will permanently harm our community. As people of faith, we must speak out against this effort and the damaging effects its passage would have on children and families.

Please do not pass this bill. Mahalo for the opportunity to submit written testimony in opposition.

ⁱ <https://www.ama-assn.org/system/files/2019-05/a19-yps-resolution-05.pdf> (accessed 02/10/23)

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To Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair of Senate Ways and Means Committee
Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair of Senate Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee

Members of the Committees

Fr: Randy Gonce, Executive Director of the Hawai'i Cannabis Industry Association

Re: **Testimony In Support of Senate Bill (SB) 669**

RELATING TO CANNABIS.

Establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis. Decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use. Establishes taxes for cannabis sales. Takes effect 03/22/2075. (SD1)

Dear Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Members of the Committees:

The Hawai'i Cannabis Industry Association is the trade association for 5 of the state's 8 licensed medical cannabis dispensaries. HICIA **strongly supports SB669** as an important bill for cannabis reform in the State of Hawai'i.

SB 669 addresses many concerns raised in the past about implementing an Adult-use of cannabis program in the State of Hawai'i. As written this bill creates a program that is **cost effective** to administer coupled with some of the **strongest and highest standards** of oversight in the nation.

SB 669 accounts for, and mitigates, many of the failures of other states who have implemented Adult Use programs. For example, ensuring there are legal and regulated Adult Use sales directly after passage into law ensures that the illicit market does not gain a foothold and plunder chances of having a regulated market to serve the majority of participants. As seen in states such as New York, which legalized cannabis on March 31st 2021, they only started issuing licenses for Adult Use sales on November 21st 2022¹ and the first sale of Adult Use cannabis was on December 29th 2022². Thus, the illicit market has flourished in this interim time between legalization and first Adult Use

¹ <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/nation/new-york-issues-first-licenses-for-legal-marijuana-dispensaries>

² <https://www.npr.org/2022/12/30/1146165347/new-york-opens-its-first-legal-recreational-marijuana-dispensary>



sale drastically³. It has so much that New York City's Mayor and the D.A. have formed a task force to combat illegal dispensaries from operating⁴.

This is a problem we can avoid in Hawai'i by allowing day one sales of Adult Use cannabis while building out the rest of the program. Allowing adult use sales immediately upon passage of legalization is imperative to minimize the risk of illicit market activity as seen in other jurisdictions. While the state doesn't have to grant that privilege to licensed medical dispensaries, it must somehow allow regulated legal sales from someone to avoid the risks of criminal illicit market sales from occurring.

SB 669's proposed 10% cannabis excise tax and 4.5% GET tax on legal cannabis sales are estimated to generate **\$81 million in revenue surplus** for the state annually⁵. The State of Hawai'i already has this economic activity occurring but it takes place in the illicit market which is untaxed and unregulated.

This bill also sets very high safeguards to protect the community, especially individuals under the age of 21. The current status quo in regards to cannabis laws in Hawai'i do not keep our communities or children safe due to the unknown nature of the cannabis that exists on the streets. Not taking action to bring illicit cannabis activity into the light where it can be taxed, regulated, and educated continues to put our communities at risk. SB 669 keeps the same standards as our current medical program plus additional measures to protect our communities.

Additionally, SB 669 ensures that the Adult-Use of cannabis in Hawai'i is a phased in balanced approach to legalization specific to Hawai'i. Hawai'i benefits from learning from all the mistakes other states have made in the implementation of an Adult-use programs and this bill carefully takes into consideration language to avoid those missteps. This bill creates efficient and effective implementation while minimizing the potential risks of illicit criminal activity and other unintended consequences. Passing this measure will create economic opportunity in the state while also taking the necessary actions to make our communities even safer.

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<https://www.politico.com/newsletters/weekly-new-york-health-care/2022/11/14/new-yorks-black-market-for-weed-thrives-ahead-of-legal-sales-00066650>

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<https://www.nyc.gov/office-of-the-mayor/news/094-23/mayor-adams-d-a-bragg-joint-efforts-combat-proliferation-illegal-unlicensed>

⁵ https://drive.google.com/file/d/15s9bMBI72yvXrWksjEJ-U-NFAF4uLb_/view



Lastly, It has recently come to our attention that employer protections should be strengthened under proposed cannabis adult-use legalization measures. The following amendment can help address this issue and protect local businesses.

§A-10 Effect on employers This chapter shall not be construed to:

(1) Require an employer to permit or accommodate the use, consumption, possession, transfer, display, transport, sale, or growing of cannabis in the workplace; or

(2) Affect the ability of an employer to have policies restricting the use of cannabis by employees; or

(3) Prevent an employer from refusing to hire, discharging, disciplining, or otherwise taking an adverse employment action against a person with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because of that person's violation of policies restricting the use of cannabis or working while under the influence of cannabis.

Thank you for considering this extremely important and timely piece of legislation.

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I do have medical cannabis for pain and sleep issues. It helps me so much, also helps me not take medications.
So expensive to buy on SS.
This will help prices be more affordable I do hope.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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I implore you to spend the majority of tax funds collected to defund the upper echelons of the Department of Education and use those funds at the school level in order to provide adequate funds to differentiate for special needs populations, do data teams with time to create needed materials, allow teachers to plan and locate materials for culturally appropriate education, get mandated ELL licenses, and allow teachers adequate time to plan for students with their teacher teams. 2 minutes per child is not enough. In addition, removing the top levels of DOE, returning funds to the schools (schools get roughly \$5000 per student, but the entire budget for DOE is close to \$15,000 per student) and defund DAGS, the most ridiculous organization who has completely failed in maintaining and expanding educational facilities.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis . Please let 2023 be the year education benefits the students, not the DOE machine.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ashley Davis

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From: [Ashley Hashimoto-kila](mailto:Ashley.Hashimoto-kila@808hicia.org)
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Name Ashley Hashimoto-kila

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From: [Ashley Perkins](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ashley Perkins

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Name Barbie Seto

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From: [Barry Williamson](mailto:Barry.Williamson@808hicia.org)
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Name Barry Williamson

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From: [Benita Sievers](#)
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Name Benita Sievers

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From: [Benjamin Freeman](#)
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Name Benjamin Freeman

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Name Bill Quade

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From: [bradley Carlson](#)
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From: [Branden Ha](#)
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Name Breeze Martinez

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Name Brenda McVay

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Name Brian Bowman

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Name Brian humphrey

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Name Bronsen Vierra

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Name Bryan Sherrell

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From: [Candi Kukita-Sasaki](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Candi Kukita-Sasaki

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Name Catherine Cerullo
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From: [Cathy Cohen](mailto:Cathy.Cohen@808hicia.org)
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Name Cathy Cohen

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in STRONG support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

FYI, I am a recovering alcoholic (11 years sober) . I was very nervous about getting Medical Marijuana because I have an addictive personality and I did not want to transfer one addiction for another ...so I was very cautious about using medical marijuana for my PTSD & depression . I can tell you that Medical Marijuana has been a Godsend for me and sooooo many other people ...you have no idea!!!

So many people that need medical marijuana can't afford to get the license !! By legalizing this "PLANT MEDICINE" for recreational use ...you will provide access to others who need it and can't get it.

The one thing I would recommend is that all dispensaries should have staff training AND in order to obtain cannabis every patient/client should have to go through a training class too! Consumers need to better understand dosing ...the THC/CBD content and how it processes in our bodies.

There should be a governing Agency to set standards across the entire industry to set quality standards for cannabis (the THC /CBD content of every crop is different and as patients we need to understand this better along with better education on dosing.

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Name Channa Transfiguracion

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Name Charles Shropshire

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Name Chase Simmerman

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From: [Chelsey Daligdig](mailto:Chelsey_Daligdig@808hicia.org)
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Name Chelsey Daligdig

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From: [Chelsi Scovern](mailto:Chelsi_Scovern)
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Name Chelsi Scovern

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From: [Cheryl Longley Lansker](mailto:Cheryl.Longley.Lansker@808hicia.org)
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Name Cheryl Longley Lansker

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Name Chloe Kincaid

Email chloekincaid@ymail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Chris Bisnow](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Chris Bisnow
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 9:40:12 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Chris Bisnow

Email alohabisnow@gmail.com

Testimony It is quite clear that the majority of citizens (both in Hawaii and nationwide) support the legalization of cannabis.

Anything other than full support of cannabis related legislation is a disregard for the desires of the residents that you have sworn to represent.

Please honor your constituents desires and support the legalization of cannabis.

Thank you,
Chris Bisnow

From: [Chris Kostka](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Chris Kostka
Date: Sunday, February 26, 2023 11:02:33 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Chris Kostka

Email cjkostka@hotmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Christina Cohen](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Christina Cohen
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 10:43:29 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Christina Cohen

Email boobahka@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Christina Noda](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Christina Noda
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 8:40:31 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Christina Noda

Email mrs.noda@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Christine Jimenez](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Christine Jimenez
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Christine Jimenez

Email bayhousehawaii@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Christine Stringer](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Christine Stringer
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Christine Stringer

Email Redestringerg@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Christine Weingand](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Christine Weingand
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Christine Weingand

Email giaalumni2@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Clifford_Haser](mailto:Clifford_Haser@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Clifford Haser
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Clifford Haser

Email

Testimony

Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Cody Moniz](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Cody Moniz
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Cody Moniz

Email cody.moniz@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Cole Misiaszek](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Cole Misiaszek
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Cole Misiaszek

Email colemizz13@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Colin Aono](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Colin Aono

Email

Testimony

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From: [Connie Valenti](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Connie Valenti

Email connievalenti@aol.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Conrad Oandasan](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Conrad Oandasan
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Conrad Oandasan

Email oandasan85@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Conrad Oandasan](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Conrad Oandasan

Email oandasan85@gmail.com

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From: [Courtney Moseley](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Courtney Moseley
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Courtney Moseley

Email courtney.moseley83@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Craig Duff](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Craig Duff
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Craig Duff

Email

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From: [Cristalynn Alice Cuba](mailto:Cristalynn.Alice.Cuba)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Cristalynn Alice Cuba
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Cristalynn Alice Cuba

Email makans.c96@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Cyan Batha](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Cyan Batha
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Cyan Batha

Email cyanbatha5@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Cynthia Sandusky](mailto:Cynthia_Sandusky@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Cynthia Sandusky
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Cynthia Sandusky

Email mamakitty1671@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Dale Shimomura](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Dale Shimomura
Date: Sunday, February 26, 2023 11:16:40 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Dale Shimomura

Email daleshimo213@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: Damon_williams
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Damon williams
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 8:59:21 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Damon williams

Email damon@bigislandgrown.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.
My mother got 5 extra years on her live using cannabis while fighting cancer.
Legal live it.

From: [Dana Cicccone](mailto:Dana_Cicccone)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Dana Cicccone
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Dana Cicccone

Email spectraanalyticallab@gmail.com

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From: [Dana Cicccone](mailto:Dana_Cicccone)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Dana Cicccone

Email dcicccone@ymail.com

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From: [Daniel Home](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Daniel Home
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Daniel Home

Email blankbillz@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Daniel.Mantanona.jr](mailto:Daniel.Mantanona.jr@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Daniel Mantanona jr
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Daniel Mantanona jr

Email dano808@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Daniel patin](mailto:Daniel_patin@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Daniel patin
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 12:25:28 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Daniel patin

Email ganjafarmer808@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Danielle Hines](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Danielle Hines
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Danielle Hines

Email danielle.m.hines@hotmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [David Crawshaw](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - David Crawshaw
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Crawshaw

Email dvdcreawshaw13@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [David Freedman](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - David Freedman
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Freedman

Email dfreedman@hawaii.rr.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [David Lawrence](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - David Lawrence
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Lawrence

Email davidbnf@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [David Low](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - David Low
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Low

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [David McCulloch](mailto:David.McCulloch@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David McCulloch

Email mac96815@gmail.com

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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Ostwald

Email davido69@hawaii.edu

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From: [David Petersen](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Petersen

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From: [David Pitt](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name David Pitt

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [David-Matthew Palompo](mailto:David-Matthew.Palompo)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name David-Matthew Palompo

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From: [Dax Martin](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Dax Martin

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From: [DC Yamaguchi](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name DC Yamaguchi

Email dyama4@yahoo.com

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From: [Debbie Keller](mailto:Debbie.Keller@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Debbie Keller

Email debkapau@gmail.com

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From: [Debra Vitola](mailto:Debra_Vitola)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Debra Vitola
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Debra Vitola

Email tcb609@yahoo.com

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From: [Delaney Ross](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Delaney Ross
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Delaney Ross

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From: [Denise Ham Young](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Denise Ham Young
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Denise Ham Young

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From: [Devin Brown](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Devin Brown

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Devon Beccue](mailto:Devon.Beccue)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Devon Beccue

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From: [Dolly Lau](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Dolly Lau

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Name Donald Thomas

Email pdnman@hawaii.rr.com

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From: [Donovan Schwitzer](mailto:Donovan.Schwitzer@808hicia.org)
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Name Donovan Schwitzer

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From: [Dorlene Silva](mailto:Dorlene_Silva@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Dorlene Silva

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From: [Dorma Matsunaga](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Dorma Matsunaga

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From: [Dr. Chris Cale](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Dr. Chris Cale
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Name Dr. Chris Cale

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To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Drew Daniels

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From: [Drew Daniels](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Drew Daniels

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From: [Duane Hayashi](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Duane Hayashi

Email hayashiduane@hotmail.com

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From: [Edward Lopez](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Edward Lopez

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From: [Elizabeth Sakamoto](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Elizabeth Sakamoto
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Elizabeth Sakamoto

Email esakamot@hawaii.edu

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From: [Elizabeth Vaile](mailto:Elizabeth.Vaile@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Elizabeth Vaile
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Elizabeth Vaile

Email bigislandbigboi@gmail.com

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From: [Emily Braun](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Emily Braun
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Emily Braun

Email Eann563@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Erin Santos](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Erin Santos
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Erin Santos

Email emk0403@gmail.com

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From: [Erin stump](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Erin stump
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Erin stump

Email erinbaileestump@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Erron Sawtell](mailto:Erron_Sawtell)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Erron Sawtell
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Erron Sawtell

Email erronsawtell@gmail.com

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From: [Fabian Kaulukukui-Heloca](mailto:Fabian.Kaulukukui-Heloca)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Fabian Kaulukukui-Heloca
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Fabian Kaulukukui-Heloca

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Fatima cryor](mailto:Fatima.cryor@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Fatima cryor

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Francis Pascual](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Francis Pascual

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gabriella Massino](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gabriella Massino

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gage Paku](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gage Paku

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Garsie Honjo](mailto:Garsie.Honjo)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Garsie Honjo

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gary Keller](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gary Keller

Email gkapaau@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gary Linde](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gary Linde

Email lindeg@hotmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,

I URGE you to support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the modern medical era by legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue. Delaying this process any longer will only lead to more state losses of tax revenue and opportunities to have an industry that supports local jobs and local people. Moreover, with such strong support for our state for its veterans, we send the wrong message if we do not recognize the benefits experienced by these heroes as they seek to alleviate their health conditions resulting from their service to our country.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gayle Branson](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gayle Branson

Email drgaylebranson@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Geneva Dubois](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Geneva Dubois

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gregory Johnson](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gregory Johnson

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Gregory Paku](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Gregory Paku

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Helen Schutte](mailto:Helen.Schutte@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Helen Schutte

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Henry Bell](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Henry Bell

Email puka_bell@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in STRONG OPPOSITION of SB 669 which would legalize
cannabis in the state of Hawai'i .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Hi'ilani Makahanaloa](mailto:Hi'ilani.Makahanaloa@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Hi'ilani Makahanaloa

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Hiroki Tomita

Email skye88high@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Ihilani Kamaile-Isabel](mailto:Ihilani.Kamaile-Isabel)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ihilani Kamaile-Isabel

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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From: [Ines Hanly](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ines Hanly

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From: [Isaiah Medeiros](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Isaiah Medeiros

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Jackie Bucher](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jackie Bucher

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I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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From: [Jacklyn Ballard](mailto:Jacklyn_Ballard@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jacklyn Ballard

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Jacob Mareko](mailto:Jacob_Mareko)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jacob Mareko

Email marekoj797@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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In all honesty it's overdue, the amount of time spent/wasted bashing and criticizing cannabis users and/or cannabis in general could've gone to studies to gain knowledge of the potential benefits of this non harmful substance.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely, Rastafari

From: [Jake Masagatani](mailto:jake.masagatani@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jake Masagatani

Email jmasa808@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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From: [James Anthony](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name James Anthony

Email jamesaquatic3@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,

I am in STRONG OPPOSITION to SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i--FOR COMMERCIAL EXPLOITATION IN A HASTY ILL-CONSIDERED MANNER AND WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF THE DOH TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION ON SOCIAL EQUITY: That DHHL and OHA be consulted given that Native Hawaiians bore (and still bear) the brunt of the War on Drugs.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [James Clarke](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name James Clarke

Email jecjr1994@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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From: [James Evans](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name James Evans

Email jamesevans102@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in STRONG support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.
I just want to make sure that there are NO changes to the Medical Card Patients medical rules. The Recreational Dispensaries try to corner everything and that's fine for recreational use. But it's really about the medicine for the medical patients. I heard there pushing for lowering the amount medical patients can grow and I barley grow enough to use with the current plant total of 10 plants.
So please don't change anything for the medical card holders.

From: [James Lee](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - James Lee
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SB 669 Testimony

Name James Lee

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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From: [James Schwartz](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name James Schwartz

Email jamesschwartz1@aol.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [James Zampathas](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name James Zampathas

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Jamey Russell](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jamey Russell

Email landofaloha@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Janise Mayo](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Janise Mayo

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Jared Terpak](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jared Terpak

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From: [Jarret Matsuda](mailto:Jarret.Matsuda@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jarret Matsuda

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It'll hopefully reduce crime if it is legalized because people will find a way to do it regardless. At least tax it, make money off of it, and open more job opportunities especially for tourism. Alcohol and nicotine are worse culprits when it comes to under the influence accidents or bad health conditions compared to marijuana. Please put morality aside and think about what is better for the state in terms of revenue. Punishments for breaking the law could be harsher now that it is legal. Underage consumption should still not be allowed and marijuana should be treated the same as alcohol. Thank you for your time and I hope you consider the better of our state rather than morals. I personally don't smoke marijuana and I don't know if I will even if it is legalized but I still support legalizing it because if drug dealers are making all this money the state might as well make money off of it too. The downsides pale in comparison to what can be accomplished. And the downsides only become a true problem if you let it be a problem. Compromise through laws and regulations. Don't close your mind to other opportunities either. The government works for the people not the other way around. If the people want something our leaders should help make it happen if the votes sway that way. Anyways, I hope this reaches someone and they make a conscious decision of agreeing to the legalization or if they disagree, have a solid

statement explaining why to the people. Transparency is the key to trust. Without it the government is just a meme.

From: [Jason McIntyre](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jason McIntyre

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From: [Jason whittington](mailto:Jason_whittington@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jason whittington

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From: [Jeannie Cabellero](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jeannie Cabellero

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jennifer Manners

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From: [Jens Lerback](mailto:Jens.Lerback@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jens Lerback

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Personal Opinion: Local residents are in need of a new market outside of tourism that can keep us afloat. the revenue of cannabis is already proven and its already undeniably apart of culture here. with careful regulation and legalization residents of hawaii will be able to steer clear of potentially dangerous backyard sellers, while also giving those sellers to have a change of occupation into a legal setting. This could help reduce illegal use and selling of harder drugs that are typically available from these backyard sellers.

From: [Jeremy Garcia](#)
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Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Jeremy Garcia
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jeremy Garcia

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From: [Jeremy Nickle](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name: Jeremy Nickle
Email: bigbucks420@yahoo.com

Testimony

Aloha thank you for reading this. My testimony about legalizing marijuana is about freedom. Far too long. Have our residence been incarcerated and deemed as criminals for the use of marijuana. My testimony for the legalization of marijuana is only if new entities can join the market in the market be fair and free. I just giving licenses to the dispensaries is not what legalization is about. Legalization is about freedom not taxes. Taxing marijuana is a great way for the state to become the new king pin. We have enough taxes already in our state. With our tax fund already full. Legalization of marijuana should equal no prison time or jail sentences for anyone ever for possession of marijuana. Growing marijuana is far less harmful than putting a fire out with forever chemicals. And if we're going to have legalization licenses should be issued for anyone who wants to join the market if you are legalizing. If you just legalize for a certain group of people that would equal cartel privilege. We need fair and open markets. I just issuing three licenses for the island of Oahu shows how corrupt the system is.

We can keep the drugs out, just like we can keep fireworks off our island. Let's move forward with open licenses no restrictions. The medical marijuana locations here on the island are selling over \$10,000 a day in sales that is pure profit. Not letting others join in. The market is a unfair practice and shows corruption. Open licenses to people who have been arrested for marijuana too. If you want a open society, we should be truly open.

From: [Jerry Mundy](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jerry Mundy

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From: [Jerusoe Matthews](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name	Jerusoe Matthews
Email	jmatthews96795@yahoo.com
Testimony	Legalizing marijuana would be good for Hawaii would bringing so much money and weed is better than taking pills

From: [Jessica Paku](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jessica Paku

Email Paku1123@aol.com

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From: [Jessica Wieloh](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Jessica Wieloh

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Joe foster

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To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name John Gibbs

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From: [JOHN PANGAN](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name JOHN PANGAN

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Name John Whittaker

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From: [Jonathan McRoberts](#)
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Name Jonathan McRoberts

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From: [Joni Shiraishi](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Joni Shiraishi

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Name Jordon lagaret

Email lagaret420@gmail.com

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From: [Joseph Simpliciano](mailto:Joseph.Simpliciano@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Joseph Simpliciano

Email jks0609@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am concerned with SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

We are currently a State with a high number of houseless. Most of them from my daily interactions is smoking marijuana and other illicit drugs on our public beaches and parks and they refuse to get help because of the ease of access to drugs and does not want to go to one of the many shelters in Waianae because of the rules which will not allow them to smoke these drugs. Please do not get me wrong I also have a good relationship with many others but seeing this first hand. I believe that Hawaii isn't ready. For one you would need to fund programs like EBT, Section 8 and or unemployment because of the inability of people who will not be able to keep a job by passing a drug test. We will be creating more issues rather than solving a few for a handful of people putting more taxpayers money into supporting people rather than benefitting. I am pretty sure that people who are already on government assistance have been using taxpayers money to purchase marijuana and I am pretty sure some of the people who have been on unemployment like it is a career have been doing the same. I would strongly support this bill if it took those concerns and looked at the whole picture rather than looking through a microscope.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Josh Simon](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Josh Simon

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Name Josh Sze

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

I am a disabled veteran and i strongly support legalization. It has done wonders for my ptsd and depression and has helped me more then the VA ever could. Its time to end the war on marijuana. There are so many healing benefits.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Julie Paik](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Julie Paik
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Julie Paik

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From: [Justin Ferreira](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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Name Justin Ferreira

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Name Justin Swan

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From: [Justis Range](#)
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Name Justis Range

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [K Sampaga](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - K Sampaga
Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 7:19:34 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name K Sampaga

Email kanoe06@live.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kaeleen Martinez](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kaeleen Martinez
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kaeleen Martinez

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kai.Hoglund](mailto:Kai.Hoglund@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kai Hoglund

Email kaihoglund8080@gmail.com

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I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kalai Watson](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kalai Watson

Email

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kalani Parker](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kalani Parker

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kalaya Delmars](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kalaya Delmars

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kamakea DeWertg](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kamakea DeWertg
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kamakea DeWertg

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kathryn Moniz](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kathryn Moniz
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kathryn Moniz

Email kona1211@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Katie McCarthy](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Katie McCarthy
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Katie McCarthy

Email kmccarthy85@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kauai Sylva](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kauai Sylva
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Name Kauai Sylva

Email yaboikauai@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Cannabis has shown effects all over my household and close friends household for the good.

Everybody isn't as erratic and aggressive after cannabis use too.

From: [Kawena Haserot](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kawena Haserot
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 5:53:16 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kawena Haserot

Email kawenarose808@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kawena Haugh](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kawena Haugh
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kawena Haugh

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From: [Kawika Kahakua](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kawika Kahakua
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Name Kawika Kahakua

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kayden Smith](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kayden Smith
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kayden Smith

Email alohaleilani2@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kelvin Kubo](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kelvin Kubo
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kelvin Kubo

Email kubo.kel@yahoo.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kenneth Burig](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kenneth Burig
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Name Kenneth Burig

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kevin LaFountain](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kevin LaFountain
Date: Sunday, February 26, 2023 7:26:28 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kevin LaFountain

Email rooster_pc@yahoo.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kevin.nordstrom](mailto:Kevin.nordstrom@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kevin nordstrom
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kevin nordstrom

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From: [Kiana Espinosa](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kiana Espinosa
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 2:34:36 PM

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Name Kiana Espinosa

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From: [Kristoffer Kennelly](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kristoffer Kennelly
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Name Kristoffer Kennelly

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kyle Soller](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kyle Soller
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kyle Soller

Email ksoller70@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kylie Lanning](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Kylie Lanning
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Kylie Lanning

Email Hanamalo.finest@Gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Lacen Quanan](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Lacen Quanan
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Lacen Quanan

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Lannette De Reis](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Lannette De Reis
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Lannette De Reis
Email dereislannette69@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Lisa Lawrence](mailto:Lisa.Lawrence@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Lisa Lawrence
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Lisa Lawrence

Email lisanolder@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz, I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i. It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people. Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis . Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Lori Glazebrook](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Lori Glazebrook
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 6:22:50 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Lori Glazebrook

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Luis Campos](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Luis Campos
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 10:43:46 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Luis Campos

Email bigglu05@gmail.com

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From: M.Malia.springer
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - M Malia springer
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 11:02:47 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name M Malia springer

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: mai_mateo
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - mai mateo
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SB 669 Testimony

Name mai mateo

Email diolynmaem@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: mai_mateo
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - mai mateo
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SB 669 Testimony

Name mai mateo

Email diolynmaem@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Maiyah Turner](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Maiyah Turner
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 1:45:40 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Maiyah Turner

Email maiyah808mayo@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Malia Nakaima](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Malia Nakaima
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Malia Nakaima

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Marcus Colaco](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Marcus Colaco
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Marcus Colaco

Email marcuscolaco02@gmail.com

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From: [Marcus Colaco](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Marcus Colaco

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From: [Marcus Colaco](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Marcus Colaco

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: Mariann Quiroz
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Mariann Quiroz
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Mariann Quiroz

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Marisa Badua](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Marisa Badua
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Marisa Badua

Email 808marisa@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [MARNIE HONEYCUTT](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - MARNIE HONEYCUTT
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SB 669 Testimony

Name MARNIE HONEYCUTT

Email marniehoney@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Me Fuimaono-Poe](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Me Fuimaono-Poe
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Me Fuimaono-Poe

Email maliemedicalclinic@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** opposition to SB 669 which would commercialize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.
This bill gives Hawaii cannabis patients two choices customer or criminal.

This will criminalize any sale or trade over an ounce that is outside of the 8 dispensary. It also gives an entire industry to a limited amount of people (8) while essentially shutting out our entire community.
Please consider voting no to commercialization of cannabis

From: [Melissa Mixon](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Melissa Mixon
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Melissa Mixon

Email travailler12345@hotmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis . It does far more to help people than other forms of medicines with far less regulation.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Melissa Shannon](mailto:Melissa_Shannon)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Melissa Shannon
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Melissa Shannon

Email mrssmellyshannon@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Micah Miller](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Micah Miller
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Micah Miller

Email puuwai_1@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Michael Metcalfe](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Michael Metcalfe
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Michael Metcalfe

Email mwm3461585@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am a United States army veteran and I would like to stay that I am against any process that eliminates or does away with medical marijuana co-ops or collectives. Being able to have a gross site or a caregiver help me to grow my medicinal marijuana is invaluable. There are a lot of us veterans and other patients who rely on being able to grow our own or have a caretaker do it for us. We cannot afford the high prices and the limited hours of the dispensaries at this time. Contrary to what they say. Aloha, Green and other Hawaii dispensaries are too expensive for the senior citizens and veterans to afford on their limited income. Please allow us to all exist so that our already limited access to our very necessary medicine is not compromised or circumvented.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Michael Ng](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Michael Ng
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Michael Ng

Email ngsgungfu@hotmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Michele Valenti](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Michele Valenti
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Michele Valenti

Email zitta4me@gmail.com

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From: [Monica Delgado](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Monica Delgado
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Monica Delgado

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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The cherry on the top would include a full deschedule under federal law and a good social equity program. Free the plant period.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Morgan Kirkham](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Morgan Kirkham
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Morgan Kirkham

Email morgan.kirkham.com@gmail.com

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From: [Myla Rincon](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Myla Rincon

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Myla Rincon

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Nancy Moss](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Nancy Moss
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nancy Moss

Email njmoss2018@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in STRONG support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

From 2018-2021 I published a magazine on the medicine and science behind plant medicines. I met, interviewed, and became friends with the top scientists in the world. I know the plant has helped my life.

In 2020 when diagnosed with my 3rd breast cancer, I knew this time would be different. I called on cannabis scientists for help. Instead of chemo I am taking a protocol of cannabis, hemp, and other natural products. My Jan. 2023 Oncology check up showed I'm still cancer free. Without chemo!

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There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes adult use cannabis . It's the year I join Hawaii as a full time resident, medical patient, and hopefully contribute to your cannabis industry.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Nancy Moss](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Nancy Moss
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nancy Moss

Email njmoss2018@gmail.com

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From: [Nanea Tannehill](mailto:Nanea_Tannehill@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Nanea Tannehill
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nanea Tannehill

Email naneat808@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Natasha Fabinal-Diarte](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Natasha Fabinal-Diarte
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Natasha Fabinal-Diarte

Email tann1044@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Nelson Lazaga](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Nelson Lazaga
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nelson Lazaga

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Nicole Bridges](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Nicole Bridges
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nicole Bridges

Email nrborup@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Nicole Riviera](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nicole Riviera

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Nicolina](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Nicolina
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Nicolina

Email alohaaina808state@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Pamela Holloway](mailto:Pamela.Holloway@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Pamela Holloway
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Pamela Holloway

Email pamelasquest@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Pat.Phillips](mailto:Pat.Phillips@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Pat Phillips
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Pat Phillips

Email meisterthedog@hotmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

Cannabis is a natural gift from the earth. It has been used for centuries for medical and pleasure for centuries. Cannabis is used all over in Hawaii Kaitlin illegally. Legalizing will allow the state to benefit from taxes collected, help eliminate illegally activity associated with it and reduce the stress for law enforcement and prisons for cannabis related arrest.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Patricia Huff](mailto:Patricia.Huff@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Patricia Huff
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Patricia Huff

Email pattihuff808@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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From: [Patricia Morphis](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Patricia Morphis
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Patricia Morphis

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Patrick Mattison](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Patrick Mattison
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Patrick Mattison

Email patrickmattison@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Patty Evans](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Patty Evans
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Patty Evans

Email captain.evansr@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Paul Landau](mailto:Paul.Landau@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Paul Landau
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Paul Landau

Email pglpls@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people. And after you pass this, repeal the tax on food and medicine and the state would be receiving close to the same amount of yearly revenue.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Paul Spears](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Paul Spears
Date: Sunday, February 26, 2023 12:59:09 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Paul Spears

Email kimowasabi1@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in STRONG support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.
I'm not in favor of recreational MJ If you change the current laws on medical MJ.This is about patients need for cannabis not about the Dispensaries making tons of money .I hear that your going to make it only 5 plants per permit and make it a felony to process MJ from patients into a easy use product like edibles.This isn't about generating cash at the expense of current card holders.ALL dispensaries are funded with big cash.....The patients don't have thousands of dollars to keep Healty and pain free.

From: [Peter Holland](mailto:Peter.Holland@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Peter Holland

Email mh2414@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Phil Camenisch](mailto:Phil.Camenisch@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Phil Camenisch

Email captainphil38@aol.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

I am 61 now. I started using medical Marijuana in Colorado around 2010 after a Dr. recommended it. It improved my life in many ways. I suffered debilitating depression and thought of suicide nearly daily for over 4 years. Since then I no longer use any Opioids nor hardly any alcohol (less than a drink a month). I smoke or use edibles daily and find, in my case anyway, it doesn't lead to anything else. I run a large successful business. When I go overseas or places I don't feel it a good idea to bring cannabis I just don't bring it. There is no withdrawal or cravings for it like opioids and alcohol provide. I believe Hawaii's substance abuse problems might actually decrease with the introduction of legal cannabis. I suggest following Colorado's model. I think they did an exceptional job in implementing the business in their state.

From: Philip_Hilo
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Philip Hilo
Date: Sunday, February 26, 2023 8:27:16 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Philip Hilo

Email pjhilo76@gmail.com

Testimony Hello, my name is Philip Hilo and I am in favor of legalizing cannabis in the state of Hawaii. I also would like to see more rights for growers of personal use.

As of right now, hawaiian growers can grow up to 10 plants. Can we please grow more plants because 10 is not enough? It takes 3 months for a marijuana plant to grow, which is too long. I propose 20-30 plants and/or just enough depending on the patients condition.

Please do not take away our right to grow a medicinal plant for our symptoms. Thank you.

Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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From: [Queenie Kananui](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Queenie Kananui

Email kanakanui@gmail.com

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From: [Randy Goblet](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Randy Goblet
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Randy Goblet

Email annrandyrachel@hotmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Rayce Manners](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Rayce Manners
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Rayce Manners

Email rmanners96720@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Raymond Clough](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Raymond Clough
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Raymond Clough

Email rayclough@gmail.com

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From: [Rebecca loewellanes](mailto:Rebecca.loewellanes@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Rebecca loewellanes

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Richard Honjo](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Richard Honjo
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Richard Honjo

Email rdhonjo@gmail.com

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From: [Ricky Bowerman](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Ricky Bowerman
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ricky Bowerman

Email rickjb@me.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Rio Miceli](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Rio Miceli
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Rio Miceli

Email riopopup@gmail.com

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From: [Rob Klein](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Rob Klein
Email rklein115@aol.com

Testimony

Aloha

The state need's revenue and this money will help government perform necessary services.

Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,

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From: [Robert DeWerth](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Robert DeWerth

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From: [Robert Jackson](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Robert Jackson
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Robert Jackson

Email rmjackson218@gmail.com

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From: [Robert Thomas](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Robert Thomas
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Robert Thomas

Email rptkona@gmail.com

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From: [Rocco Landi](mailto:Rocco.Landi)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Rocco Landi
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Rocco Landi

Email roccohawaii@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize
cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs,
local tax revenue, and local people.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Ronald Lewis](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Ronald Lewis
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ronald Lewis

Email biglew38@yahoo.com

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From: [Roslyn Cohen](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Roslyn Cohen
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Roslyn Cohen

Email rozc345@gmail.com

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From: [Rustin Smith](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Rustin Smith
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Rustin Smith

Email rustin@smokeyshawaii.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Ryan Baum](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Ryan Baum
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ryan Baum

Email ryan.baum@yahoo.com

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From: ryan_pacheco
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - ryan pacheco
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SB 669 Testimony

Name ryan pacheco

Email 18.ryanpacheco@gmail.com

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It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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From: [Ryan Tomasa](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ryan Tomasa

Email ryantomasa@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Ryan Vaile](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ryan Vaile

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From: [Ryan Williamson](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Ryan Williamson
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 6:55:00 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Ryan Williamson

Email ryan@beeboys.org

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [SAMUEL CHANG-YADAO](mailto:director@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - SAMUEL CHANG-YADAO
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SB 669 Testimony

Name SAMUEL CHANG-YADAO

Email 44zfinest@gmail.com

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ALSO; Just wanna state my own personal opinion on it, i suffer from depression really bad after both my parents passed away by the time i was 21... if i didnt have marijuana to calm me down? i would not be here today. i know its not something to be proud about but its the truth. marijuana keeps me sane and im sure it does for others. people are just abusing it and making it out to be such a bad thing when really it saved my life. thank you for your time godbless.

Aloha

From: [Samuel K Heen](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Samuel K Heen
Date: Sunday, February 26, 2023 2:46:54 PM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Samuel K Heen

Email sammyheen@hotmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: Scott_chornoboy
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Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Scott chornoboy
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Scott chornoboy

Email schornoboy@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Scott_enquist](mailto:Scott_enquist@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Scott enquist

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Scott McGregor](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Scott McGregor

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Scott Noteboom](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Scott Noteboom

Email notebooms@me.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Sean Seeley](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Sean Seeley
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sean Seeley

Email sean.seeley@live.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Selena Campo](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Selena Campo

Email luxedentalco@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Senerity McGregor](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Senerity McGregor
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Senerity McGregor

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From: [Shalin Ranjitkar](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shalin Ranjitkar

Email shalin@spectrahawaii.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Shannon McMahon](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Shannon McMahon
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shannon McMahon

Email aslart7@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: shanny_manners
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SB 669 Testimony

Name shanny manners

Email shannyparks@gmail.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Sharon O'Hara](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sharon O'Hara

Email ohara.sharon72@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Sharon Pilayo](mailto:Sharon.Pilayo@808hicia.org)
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Name Sharon Pilayo

Email snpilayo@gmail.com

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From: [Shauna Beaulieu](mailto:Shauna.Beaulieu@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Shauna Beaulieu
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shauna Beaulieu

Email mauitiki9@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,

I am in STRONG support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It's time to support the right of those wanting to medicate using natural resources, not high priced pills that lead to more pills. Please allow adults their right to choose what maintains their mental health state better for them. Just as with any other medicine.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Shawn Teixeira](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shawn Teixeira

Email lei_n_kaipo@hotmail.com

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From: [Shawn Zoller](mailto:Shawn.Zoller@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shawn Zoller

Email smcgregor411@gmail.com

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From: [Shayne Keahi](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shayne Keahi

Email punshayne@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in STRONG opposition of bill SB669. Aloha green and other dispensaries are lying to Congress with false data. The dispensaries should be held responsible for toxic solvents and overpriced products. Please be aware of the false data they present to you.

From: shayne_Keahi
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - shayne Keahi
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SB 669 Testimony

Name	shayne Keahi
Email	punshayne@yahoo.com
Testimony	Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz, I am in STRONG opposition is SB669

From: [Sheehan Sheehan](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sheehan Sheehan

Email sheehanj002@hawaii.rr.com

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From: [Sherrie Kaholo](mailto:Sherrie_Kaholo)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sherrie Kaholo

Email skaholo@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Sheryl Weinstein](mailto:Sheryl.Weinstein@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sheryl Weinstein

Email mermaids_miracles@yahoo.com

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Shireen Knudsen](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Shireen Knudsen
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Shireen Knudsen

Email yep.yep@myself.com

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From: [Solomon Kumuhone](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Solomon Kumuhone

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From: [Sophia.sullivan](mailto:Sophia.sullivan@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sophia.sullivan

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Stacie Ishii](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Stacie Ishii
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Stacie Ishii

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From: [Stephanie Fujimori](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Stephanie Fujimori
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Name Stephanie Fujimori

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From: [Stetson Lindsey - De Luz](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Stetson Lindsey - De Luz
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Stetson Lindsey - De Luz

Email stetsondeluz@icloud.com

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To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Stetson Lindsey - De Luz
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Name Stetson Lindsey - De Luz

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From: [Stevan O'Neill](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Stevan O'Neill
Date: Monday, February 27, 2023 11:55:20 AM

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Stevan O'Neill

Email timoneill0@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

Please let 2023 be the year Hawaii legalizes cannabis .

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Steve Marino](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Steve Marino

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I am in STRONG support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Steven lee](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Steven lee

Email stevenleecontracting@gmail.com

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I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Stosh Zakorchemny](mailto:Stosh_Zakorchemny)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Stosh Zakorchemny
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Stosh Zakorchemny

Email stoshzakorchemny@icloud.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize
cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Susan Kim](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Susan Kim

Email some.thingclever@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i.

It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

I suffer from GI issues and bouts of nausea is a common side effect. Marijuana helps instantly even in ways my prescription medication can't. It curbs anxiety... the list goes on and on and countless clinical studies will show that "side effects" do not propose a threat like other classified drugs and even alcohol!

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Suzy Ramos](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Suzy Ramos

Email sramos0702@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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It is time for Hawai'i to join the 21 other states, two territories, and the District of Columbia in legalizing cannabis. There is overwhelming support from the residents on this issue and waiting any longer increases the chances that the state lose out on the opportunity of having an industry that supports local jobs, local tax revenue, and local people.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Sydney King](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sydney King

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Sylvia Pena](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Sylvia Pena

Email spena8718@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [SYLVIA SHAMBURGER](mailto:SYLVIA.SHAMBURGER)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name SYLVIA SHAMBURGER

Email sylvi29@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Tai Cheng](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Tai Cheng

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Tanya Cornwell](mailto:Tanya_Cornwell@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Tanya Cornwell

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From: [Tasa Mcdonald](#)
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Name Tasa Mcdonald

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From: [Terrence Westerman](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Terrence Westerman

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SB 669 Testimony

Name Tiana Wong

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From: [Tim Leichliter](mailto:Tim_Leichliter@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Tim Leichliter

Email timpleichliter@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Timmy Long](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Timmy Long
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Timmy Long

Email longtimmy11@yahoo.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Timothy Goldstein](mailto:Timothy_Goldstein@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Timothy Goldstein

Email timmyg1977@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Todd Clark](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Todd Clark

Email toddallenclark@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
Todd Clark

From: [Traesen Tabudlo](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Traesen Tabudlo
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Traesen Tabudlo

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Tuitahi Faleofa - Taumoeofolau](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Tuitahi Faleofa - Taumoeofolau

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Tyson Matthews-Molcilio](mailto:Tyson_Matthews-Molcilio)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Tyson Matthews-Molcilio

Email molcilioboy@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Vanessa Orton](mailto:Vanessa.Orton@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Vanessa Orton

Email vopenguin1@gmail.com

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From: [Velina Wong-Sionesini](mailto:Velina.Wong-Sionesini@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Velina Wong-Sionesini

Email velinawong3@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Vicki Hoecker](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Vicki Hoecker

Email barnettv67@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Walter Nakashima jr](mailto:Walter.Nakashima.jr)
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Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - Walter Nakashima jr
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Walter Nakashima jr

Email wnaka66@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Wendi Friesen](mailto:Wendi.Friesen@808hicia.org)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Wendi Friesen

Email mind@wendi.com

Testimony I moved here from Colorado where cannabis has been legal for years, and there are dispensaries that sell many brands and formulations. There is a wide variety of edibles, creams and lotions, oils and much more.

This has created a booming business with no complications or trouble. It has proven to be safe and well run at all the dispensaries.

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From: [Wenonalani.Randolph](mailto:Wenonalani.Randolph@808hicia.org)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Wenonalani Randolph

Email webanez@gmail.com

Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Whitney Jackson](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
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SB 669 Testimony

Name Whitney Jackson

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,
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From: [Whitney.yamagata](mailto:Whitney.yamagata@808hicia.org)
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Name Whitney.yamagata

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From: [William Case](#)
To: director@808hicia.org; [CPN Committee](#); [WAM Committee](#)
Subject: Re: SB 669 Testimony - William Case
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SB 669 Testimony

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SB-669-SD-1

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Pu'uhonua Bumpy Kanahele	Testifying for Independent & Sovereign Nation State of Hawai'i	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:



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March 1, 2023

Dennis Bumpy Kanahele

Head of State, Nation of Hawai'i

SB 669 (OPPOSING)

Honorable Members of the Committee,

THE development of SB 669 is following the same path as the establishment of dispensaries in 2015. After 6 years into the dispensary program development, less than 30% of medical patients are going to dispensaries and many dispensaries publicly stating they are going out of business with the burdensome regulations. The problem is very simple. Legislation is split on any type of legal cannabis program moving forward. Many legislators represent communities that resist any type of cannabis legalization whether medical or recreational. The mood is “lets pass what we can pass even if it is a bad bill”. This type of bill making is detrimental to the community and to the medical patients of Hawaii.

SB 669 has no data driving the bill, and on the contrary, there is a lot of data available to legislation to properly build a successful state dual use program. American for Safe Access released a 2021 report “An Analysis of Medical Cannabis Across the United States”.

It is obvious that Senate bill 375 was drafted by proponents of marijuana legalization with heavy input from the existing cannabis industry. SB 669 if enacted would prove to be difficult to implement, regulate and enforce.

Hawaii 's cannabis authority board will be comprised of individuals that will lack objectivity due to the composition of this board. What we see in about every instance is the authority bestowed by statute in a governance board is dominated by members whose vested interest is the success of the program with little regard to the actual events that are occurring because of legalization of commercial adult use.

This is reinforced throughout SB669 as very little language is devoted did collecting data so that informed decisions can be made in the following areas public health and public safety.

SB 669 attempts to correct or at least incentivize disenfranchised community members who are actively seeking licenses to manufacture distribute or sell commercial adult use marijuana. However laudable this may seem; it seldom produces tangible results.

Historically what we have seen in the states that have legalize commercial adult use marijuana, initially disenfranchised community members enter the marketplace but if you have sustainable resources to survive and thrive, we have seen a consolidation of ownership and each instance with larger corporate entities that have the fiscal resources and the ability to price competition out of business. According to the recent Colorado business statistics approximately 70% of Colorado 's commercial adult use industry is controlled by 8 individuals/ entities. We continue to see a consolidation within the marketplace in the state of Illinois and most recently in the state of New Jersey.

Mahalo Nui,

Pu'uhonua Dennis Bumpy Kanahale

Head of State, Nation of Hawai'i

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SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS, Legalization and Taxation of Marijuana for Personal Use

BILL NUMBER: SB 669 SD 1

INTRODUCED BY: Senate Committee on Judiciary

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis. Decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use. Establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

SYNOPSIS: Adds a new chapter to the HRS legalizing cannabis for personal use.

Adds a section to chapter 706, HRS, and amends to several sections in chapter 712, HRS, to decriminalize use in conformity with the new chapter added.

Adds a new chapter to the HRS imposing a 10% tax on the retail sale of cannabis. This tax is in addition to any other tax that would apply. The tax would not apply to: (1) Cannabis sold by one licensee (under the new chapter added by this bill) to another licensee; and (2) Cannabis sold for medical use by a medical cannabis dispensary under chapter 329D, HRS.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 22, 2075.

STAFF COMMENTS: The question that should be asked is the purpose of this new tax. If the goal is to make people stop using cannabis by making it cost-prohibitive, then why are we legalizing it?

Certainly, the same can be said of other “sin taxes” that we impose on tobacco, liquor, and fossil fuel use.

As the Foundation’s previous President, Lowell Kalapa, wrote in the Tax Foundation of Hawaii’s weekly commentary on October 28, 2012:

Lawmakers seem to have a simplistic reaction to solving problems the solution to which plagues their constituents – tax it.

Probably the best example is what people like to call sin taxes, those excise taxes that are levied on tobacco and alcohol products. After all, smoking causes cancer and alcohol causes all sorts of problems including driving under the influence. Lawmakers and community advocates shake their heads and push for higher tax rates, arguing that making these products more expensive will deter folks from using these products.

The problem is that lawmakers also like the revenues that are generated from the sales of these products and, in some cases, they have tried to link the use and sale of these products with noble causes such as the funding of the Cancer Research Center that is

currently being built. Again, the argument is that smokers should pay for programs and projects which seek to cure the related ill which in this case is cancer caused by smoking.

The irony is that arguments to increase the tax on tobacco and, more specifically, cigarettes, is a goal of getting smokers to quit while depending on the revenues from tobacco and cigarette taxes to fund an ongoing program, in this case the Cancer Research Center. So, which is it folks, stop smokers from smoking and if successful, there won't be any revenues to fund the Cancer Research Center?

he fact of the matter is that it appears that both locally and nationally, higher taxes on cigarettes are influencing smokers as tax collections on the sale of cigarettes have fallen. Certainly some of the decline is due to smokers actually quitting, but to some degree one has to suspect that some purchases were made via mail order from exempt Indian reservation outlets while others may be what is called gray market purchases, that is from sources outside the country.

What should come as a surprise is that most of the folks who have quit are of some means as they are more likely to recognize the health hazard caused by use of this product. That means most of those who are still smoking are among the lower-income members of our community. Thus, the tax is regressive, generating less and less collections from middle and higher-income individuals.

Kalapa, "Finding the Blame for What Ails You," at <https://www.tfhawaii.org/wordpress/blog/-2012/10/finding-the-blame-for-what-ails-you/> (Oct. 28, 2012).

If the policy choice is to legalize the activity, then it should be sufficient to tax it like any other business. If we add an extra tax to discourage the activity, isn't it being hypocritical? If we add an extra tax to pay for societal damage this activity causes, why aren't we accepting that we are causing the damage by allowing the activity?

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SB-669-SD-1

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
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Comments:

Management by implementing legislation is another way to control others, controlling others usually has a hidden agenda like getting rich over the constriction of others paying the price by loosing their control to use something the way each person chooses. I already demonstrated I have met the requirements to hold a 329 Card, how I choose or where I choose to acquire my medicine should be made available to the method of my choosing that is already allowed by the current laws. When things of this nature happens is because of someone's greed is using the system to benefit their pockets. I am opposing changing what's already working. Keep the status quo!



SB 669, SD1, RELATING TO CANNABIS

MARCH 1, 2023 · SENATE CONSUMER PROTECTION
AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES · CHAIRS SEN.
JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE AND SEN. DONOVAN DELA
CRUZ

POSITION: Support with amendments.

RATIONALE: Imua Alliance supports and suggests amendments for SB 669, SD1, relating to cannabis, which establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis, decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use, and establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

It is high time that Hawai'i stopped criminalizing people for smoking small amounts of a plant. While cannabis remains illegal under federal law, where it is classified as a Schedule I substance, the facts about cannabis consumption are clear. To begin, cannabis has a lower organic toxicity and addictive risk than alcohol, along with fewer correlating incidents of influence-related accidents and violence. More than half of all traffic fatalities in Hawai'i involve alcohol, yet no one seriously discusses the possibility of prohibition because of path dependence. In other words, alcohol is ingrained in our culture in a way that cannabis consumption is not, despite the former being more dangerous, statistically speaking, than the latter.

Similarly, cannabis abuse and dependence afflicts approximately 1.7 percent of the U.S. population, while alcohol abuse afflicts roughly 7.5 percent—over four times as many individuals. Cannabis is also not conclusively linked to an increase in violent behavior. Rather, reports

supposedly linking cannabis to violent crimes typically rely on information gathered by the Office of National Drug Control Policy, which, in turn, relies on source material that a) does not account for drug-trafficking and dispositional or psychological disorders; and b) fails to account for levels of deviancy (increased usage beyond average consumption rates). A more stark statistical correlation exists between increased alcohol consumption and violent crime, including child and intimate partner abuse, yet, again, no one is introducing, much less considering the merits of, limiting the personal consumption of alcohol. Additionally, only 30 percent of frequent (every other day or more) cannabis users report symptoms suggesting dependence, in contrast to nearly 70 percent for nicotine and 88 percent for harder drugs, like cocaine, calling into question legal opinions asserting that cannabis and hard drugs can be readily correlated to one another. If we do not criminalize overconsumption of the more dangerous drug of alcohol, in and of itself, why, once more, do we unduly criminalize cannabis consumption, particularly in small amounts?

Furthermore, legalizing recreational cannabis usage is an issue of restorative justice. As the visitor industry reaps record profits and supports expansion of the local prison-industrial complex, people of Native Hawaiian ancestry, who comprise approximately 25 percent of the state's population, suffer the pangs of a biased criminal (in)justice system. Approximately 39 percent of incarcerated detainees are Hawaiian, according to a comprehensive study by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, with the proportionality gap being even greater for Hawaiian women, who comprise 19.8 percent of the state's female population, but 44 percent of the state's female inmate population. Researchers also found that, on average, Hawaiians receive longer sentences, more parole revocations, and, importantly for this measure, **harsher drug-related punishments than other ethnic groups**, including for cannabis possession. Therefore, passage this measure is a step toward reforming and preventing more people from becoming victims of our unjust and racially coded prison system.

Legalizing recreational cannabis could generate at least \$81.7 million in tax revenue annually for our state according to a study published by the Hawai'i Cannabis Industry Association in January and would produce substantial additional criminal justice savings that could be spent delivering a quality education to our keiki, building basic infrastructure, expanding access to healthcare, and constructing truly affordable housing. Even the more conservative \$50 million revenue estimate produced by the Hawai'i Department of Taxation last year is enough to

“stand up” a local cannabis industry. Many states have established well-regulated recreational cannabis industries that include restorative justice components for less than \$5 million.

Yet, we have concerns about the inadequacy of this measure as it currently stands. **To begin, this measure does not include any provisions regarding social equity.** As we struggle to fix our state’s overcrowded prisons, we must enact systemic solutions that promote social justice and help to alleviate Hawai’i’s mass incarceration problem. If implemented sensibly, cannabis legalization could lead to the most comprehensive mass expungement program ever seen on our shores, with people who have been incarcerated for cannabis infractions having their criminal records expunged and being released from the legal constraints that have unjustly impeded their ability to attain financial security and, in many cases, stolen their basic freedom.

Social equity must form the heart of any forward-thinking cannabis legalization program.

Our society’s most marginalized people should be first in line to participate in the cannabis industry that we are seeking to grow. Agricultural and business practices should be based on regenerative, sustainable, and indigenous cultivation methods to ensure that cannabis operations uplift the needs and values of Hawai’i residents, not the profits of multistate corporations. **Yet, again, SB 669 lacks any reference to social equity, which would only exacerbate the harm endured by those who have been prosecuted for cannabis and their families.**

Accordingly, we urge your committee to pass language found in the original draft of SB 375 regarding social equity. We also encourage you to look at the fee and tax structure that was originally proposed in SB 375, which would guarantee that everyone pays their fair share to participate in the cannabis marketplace, including current medical dispensaries. Finally, we invite you to consider inserting additional protections for local cannabis operations into the bill to prevent multistate corporations—the so-called “Walmarts of cannabis”—from controlling our islands’ cannabis industry, including the adoption of language that would allow a Hawai’i Cannabis Authority to set fees for non-local operators that far exceed those charged to local businesses (which should cost no more than a contractors’ license), and provisions that would give people of Native Hawaiian ancestry preference in obtaining cannabis licenses.

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SB-669-SD-1

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

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Comments:

SB669
opposed

- Page 5, Line 1 "Section 2" / Line 4 "CHAPTER A : possible to be corrected as Chapter #, rather than Capter "A", as customary in modern English alphanumeric grammar.
- Line 7-8: Attempts to usher in a new "Hawaii cannabis regulatory authority", as opposed to the current regulatory entity, the Hawaii State Dept. of Health (Section A-4)
- Page 7, Line 1 -2 " 'Cannabis testing facility' means an entity licensed under section A-6(b)(3):
- Page 7, Line 6-7 "Dual use cannabis dispensary": This is very misleading and needs to be redacted. There is no secondary designation for medical cannabis, as cannabis use for medical purposes is the only accepted and clearly outlined definition of cannabis, as per Chapter 329,part IX of Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SB-669-SD-1

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Alex Wong	Testifying for Kauai Farm Planning	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha e State of Hawaii Senators,

No law should limit how much food and medicine you can legally grow for your own community.

There is a very clear difference between LEGALIZING Recreational/Adult-Use cannabis and DECRIMINALIZING cannabis period.

Legalizing cannabis under SB669 essentially means that ONLY licensed dispensaries are allowed by the State of Hawaii to legally make retail sales to ANYONE 21+ years old. It is very apparent that the clear intent of the writers of SB669 was to ensure that legalizing cannabis equals **profits for corporate dispensaries** and **tax revenue for the State of Hawaii**. What SB669 does is **corporatize** and **commodify** a natural plant medicine and community catalyst **for corporate and government greed**. Everything else included in SB669 was written as an afterthought. This is apparent when comparing the social equity details from SB669 to SB375.

The fact that SB669 is being pushed along with HB1217 by the HICIA, makes it very clear that the agenda of the Hawaii Cannabis Industry Association (HICIA) and the State of Hawaii legislators who co-authored these bills are colluding to simultaneously take away growing and cultivation freedoms and rights from the existing qualified medical cannabis patients, growers, and caregivers under the 329 law, while concurrently legalizing the Hawaii adult retail cannabis market with clear stipulations that the ONLY legal means of accessing manufactured cannabis products will be through the corporate dispensaries. Access to manufactured cannabis products through any other means would therefore be criminal, and illegal. This is a clear infringement on rights to affordable medical access, rights to cultivation, and rights to medical self determination for Hawaii's qualified medical patients under the 329 law.

It is obvious that the concerted motive behind SB669 and HB1217 is to forcibly convert existing medical patients into dispensary customers by prohibiting their caregivers (starting 12/31/2023 under current law) and limiting the number of patients/plants that can be growing on a single property, no matter the size and acreage or zoning of the property. In effect, SB669 would legally push medical patients into the recreational market, without the patients' consent. It will effectively turn today's qualified medical patients and caregivers into criminals. This is government and corporate coercion. This is also a blatant disregard of Hawaii's antitrust laws (**Title 26. Trade Regulation and Practice 480. Monopolies; Restraint of Trade 480-2**). The

money-hungry motivation behind the justification and touted boon for legalizing dispensary recreational sales via SB669 as the opportunity for the State of Hawaii to make MILLIONS of dollars in tax revenue off of cannabis sales is very sad and short-sighted. The fact that they, the dispensaries and legislators who authored SB669, intend to take profits and tax revenue from their own constituents'/community's pockets is even sadder. And the fact that they are attempting to take profits and tax revenue from the pockets of Hawaii's qualified medical patients and kupuna is absolutely shameful.

It should be noted that NONE of the existing dispensaries affiliated with HICIA are owned by Native Hawaiians. NONE of the dispensaries are genuinely "locally-owned" by an individual or individuals who can trace their family history and lineage in Hawaii back more than 4 or 5 generations. And NONE of the dispensaries are owned by any "legacy growers" from the previously stigmatized, wrongfully incarcerated, prohibition era cannabis community.

It should be noted that despite the half-hearted attempt to "go through the motions" and complete a State-mandated "Social Equity Working Group" prior to the introduction of this year's adult-use/recreational cannabis legalization bills, there are no real or tangible social equity protections and assurances in SB669. It should be noted that NONE of the "Social Equity Working Group" members were Native Hawaiian. NONE of the members represented leaders from the qualified medical patients' community. NONE of the members represented leaders from the qualified medical caregivers' community. And NONE of the members represented leaders from the "legacy growers" community. There was literally NO SOCIAL EQUITY REPRESENTATION AMONG THE SOCIAL EQUITY WORKING GROUP MEMBERS. This is WRONG, MISGUIDED, and arguably UNETHICAL.

Please ask Senator Maile Shimabukuro if this was what she intended when she originally introduced this idea to mandate this Social Equity Working Group in the first place: ZERO Native Hawaiian representation, ZERO representation of the existing medical cannabis community, and ZERO ethnic and socioeconomic diversity.

SB669 makes a clear attempt to LEGALIZE Recreational cannabis for the sole financial benefit of tightening the dispensaries' grip on monopolizing the commercial cannabis market in Hawaii. These existing medical dispensaries have been chomping at the bit to start retail sales to ANYONE above the age of 21 years. It is especially disconcerting that the vast majority of the written testimonies in the previous hearings for this bill, SB669, by the JDC committee were in OPPOSITION, and nearly all of the testimonies in SUPPORT were submitted by the dispensaries affiliated with HICIA.

This bill is clearly pushing an agenda for ONLY corporate cannabis to profit off of an emerging industry, and is flagrantly forcing all local residents and tourists to buy from the dispensaries. There will be no "Trickle down effect" from the profits these corporate cannabis companies in Hawaii will be raking in. The very thought that the tax revenue generated from cannabis sales by the State of Hawaii will make it back into the community in any effective and meaningful way is an insult to the community and to Hawaii's tax paying residents. It is better if all that money just stays in the community's hands in the first place.

DECRIMINALIZATION of medical cannabis will financially empower Hawaii's socioeconomic bottom line. It will help local and Hawaiian families become caregivers and inspirational catalysts for their respective communities. It will allow local and Hawaiian families the opportunity to grow medicine for their kupuna, friends, and family members with chronic and terminal illnesses, and debilitating injuries. SB669 must be STOPPED because it does NOT legalize cannabis in Hawaii that produces social equity or community cohesion and healing. The existing dispensaries feel very haole, they function and operate in a very haole way, and this is evidenced in the fact that these corporate dispensaries have not successfully developed their own active medical patient-caregiver communities centered around their retail stores.

If this committee votes to pass SB669, it will be an act of conscious defiance and blatant disregard of the medical cannabis community and all of the constituents' whose personal testimonies represent the people of Hawaii. Passing SB669 will be a very public display of our State legislators placing the interests of cannabis corporations above the socioeconomic and medical interests of the people of Hawaii.

The better alternative is DECRIMINALIZATION. The State of Hawaii needs to make greater efforts to protect and improve the existing medical cannabis system and medical cannabis research industry, both inside and outside of the corporate dispensaries. Qualified medical growers and caregivers must be protected and preserved in perpetuity. It is ridiculous and cruel to expect elderly kupuna and patients with terminal diseases, chronic illness, and debilitating injuries to farm and cultivate their own medical cannabis. It is unreasonable and inefficient to expect every patient (who is unable or cannot grow their own medical cannabis) to have their own personal grower, while the law also PROHIBITS caregivers from growing for more than one patient. THIS NEEDS TO BE FIXED.

Cannabis should not be politically touted as a recreational drug or just another profitable economic good or commodity. It is medicine. Natural plant medicine that should be freely grown by anyone for the purposes of medical and spiritual healing. Treating it any other way is blatantly irresponsible, and by legalizing recreational adult use, the State of Hawaii will become liable for all the negative consequences that will affect the general population and the people of Hawaii, not to mention the anticipated number of tourists who will be caught using dispensary-purchased cannabis irresponsibly in public and/or in their vacation accommodations. As medical patients and caregivers, we are expected to learn the 329 law and follow it accordingly. We are also expected to learn and understand the science and chemistry behind the cannabis plant and products in order to properly gauge accurate dosage and proper use. Will the same expectations and mandatory education be required of all the tourists and residents who will be casually shopping at the recreational dispensaries?

We the people can clearly see what you are doing. And it is very apparent that if you legalize cannabis in this way, you are not making it fair and accessible for ALL, for pono reasons. You are rigging the market and cuckolding your constituents' rights to medical self determination and access to a plant and natural remedy. You will be taking away a medicinal plant from the community and handing the sole ownership of its cultivation and sales to the haole-owned, corporate dispensaries.

WHERE IS YOUR ALOHA? Respectfully.

DO THE RIGHT THING. Respectfully.

Mahalo nui loa,

Alex Wong

SB-669-SD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michal C Cohen	Testifying for Michal Cohen, LCSW	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Members of the Committee,

My name is Michal Cohen. I am a resident of Kaka'ako. I am a psychotherapist who specializes in the treatment of PTSD. I have extensive experience working with veterans who have combat trauma or military sexual trauma. I also have extensive experience working with people who have been diagnosed with PTSD.

I strongly oppose SB 669. This bill is quite punitive to people who have decided to collectively grow their medicine. This bill highly favors the dispensaries and actually targets local famers and growers who are working collaboratively to help people access cannabis as medicine at a reasonable price.

Many of my clients use cannabis to manage their symptoms of PTSD. They often cannot afford cannabis that is sold at the dispensaries. They rely on cannabis collectives as a way to get their medicine. Care Wailua has been instrumental in helping my patients access affordable medicine. This proposed bill would be devastating to my patients who rely on Care Wailua to obtain their medicine.

For these reasons, as a health care provider, I strongly oppose SB 669.

Thank you.

Michal Cohen, LCSW



February 27, 2023

Chair, Sen. Keohokalole
Vice Chair, Sen. Fukunaga
Chair, Dela Cruz
Vice Chair, Keith-Agaran

Joint Hearing of the Senate Consumer Protection and Commerce and Ways and Means committees

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 669 SD 1 – RELATING TO CANNABIS

Dear Chairs, Vice Chairs, and members of the Consumer Protection and Commerce and Ways and Means committee:

Aloha, my name is DeVaughn Ward and I am the senior legislative counsel at the Marijuana Policy Project ("MPP") — the largest marijuana policy reform organization in the United States. As you may know, MPP has been working to improve marijuana policy for more than 25 years.

I am here today to testify in support of **SB 669 SD 1 – Relating to Cannabis**. However, MPP has significant concerns on SB 669 SD 1 which is why we're urging you to amend and then pass it.

I. Cannabis legalization and regulation is far better approach than prohibition

More than eight decades of marijuana prohibition has not worked. Instead, it has derailed lives, torn families apart, wasted vast sums of taxpayer dollars, and put consumers and those selling cannabis at risk of arrest and violence.

Only legalization allows for regulation and control. Potency testing and labeling, child-resistant packaging, consumer education, and rules to prohibit hazardous pesticides and contaminants are only possible in a legal, regulated market. Environmental and worker protections are only possible in a legal, regulated industry.

II. MPP has several recommendations for amendments to SB 669 SD 1

While MPP supports the core purpose of SB 669 SD 1, we have several recommendations — including to prioritize patients during the transition, to create an equitable industry, to include reparative justice such as expungement and release, and to clarify several provisions.

First, the definition of "personal use" does not include an equivalency for cannabis concentrates and cannabis-infused products. Without specific possession limits for these cannabis preparations in SB 669 SD1, adults and law enforcement will not know how much cannabis products are legal to

possess. We suggest amending the language to use a defined term for possession and purchase limits and to define it as: "*Personal use amount*" means: (1) one ounce of cannabis plant material; (A) 10 grams of cannabis concentrate; and (B) any other cannabis products with up to eight hundred milligrams of THC."

The bill also prohibits cannabis related advertising "near" youth-centered areas. The word near is vague and subjective. We strongly suggest amending this language to add a specific distance so cannabis companies and regulatory enforcement officials will have clear guidelines on permissible and impermissible advertising. We suggest amending the language to state: "*Cannabis advertising shall be prohibited within one thousand feet of a youth-centered area...*"

The bill does not allow for cultivation licensees to transport cannabis products. We suggest giving cultivation licensees the ability to transport their products to other cannabis businesses.

SB 669 SD 1 allows regulators to create additional license types but does not start with a separate license for product manufacturers, unlike most cannabis legalization states. As is the case in most industries, those who grow cannabis will often not want to also make infused products or extractions — which require expensive equipment — and vice versa. There is also no strong policy reason to limit the number of product manufacturers. Having a single license for both types of cannabis businesses may require costly regulatory requirements of farmers who only want to grow. Separating these two businesses — but allowing dual licenses— will allow for more success in different aspects this new industry.

SB 669 SD 1 also prohibits an individual from having an interest in more than one license type. We believe this limit is overly restrictive. Moreover, this restriction is not required of the current medical cannabis licensees in Hawaii's medical cannabis or if the current medical licensees converted to dual use cannabis dispensaries as envisioned in SB 669. Some of Hawaii medical cannabis licenses have up to three cannabis cultivation/production centers and as many as three cannabis retail dispensaries under one license. We suggest amending this language to state: "*No person shall be granted or have any interest in a license as a cannabis testing facility license that also has a license as another type of cannabis business.*" *It could also cap the number of retailers any one facility could have a controlling interest in, to prevent excessive market concentration.*

Section A-7 of the bill would allow Hawaii's eight current medical cannabis businesses to sell cannabis products to adults 21 and over when the bill takes effect. Missing are proper safeguards to ensure medical cannabis patients will have adequate access when the eight medical businesses convert to also sell to adults over 21. In New Jersey and Connecticut, medical licensees were required to inform regulators of medical patient preservation plans or meet production thresholds to ensure the licensees had adequate supply before they could start adult use sales. We strongly recommend adding the following language to ensure medical cannabis patients' access is not adversely affected by a dual use cannabis model. For example, it could provide, "*The license conversion application shall, at minimum, require a medical cannabis dispensary to submit to, and obtain approval from the department for a detailed medical preservation plan for how it will prioritize sales and access to medical marijuana products for qualifying patients, and to avoid price increases, including, but not limited to, managing customer traffic flow, preventing supply shortages and price increases on patients, and ensuring appropriate staffing levels.*"

Notably, Section A-7 of the bill does not include a licensing fee for the eight current medical licenses to exclusively serve the adult-use market access for least two years, perhaps more depending on when final rules are adopted. There should be a significant licensing fee that would be used to set up regulatory infrastructure and to support training and technical assistance for new market entrants — including those hardest hit by prohibition.

Several other states, including Connecticut and Illinois, take this approach to foster equitable licensing. In Connecticut, medical licensees paid fees between \$750,000 and \$1 million dollars for the ability to convert to hybrid or dual use cannabis establishments and service consumers over the age of 21. In Illinois, medical cannabis businesses paid a fee of approximately \$750,000 to convert to dual use or hybrid cannabis businesses. We strongly recommend amending the language as follows: *"(a) The license conversion fee for a medical cannabis dispensary to become a dual use cannabis dispensary shall be two hundred fifty thousand dollars for medical cannabis dispensaries that owns and operates three or more retail dispensing locations. (b) The license conversion fee for a medical cannabis dispensary to become a dual use cannabis dispensary shall be one hundred fifty thousand dollars for a medical cannabis dispensary that owns and operates two or fewer retail dispensing location."*

Additionally, SB 669 SD 1 was amended to include restorative justice for individuals most impacted by cannabis prohibition in Hawaii. Restorative justice is concept that has been supported by the Judiciary Committee this session in its recent approval of SB 903. It is sound cannabis policy to adopt restorative justice measures in legalization models. Illinois' 2019 legalization law resulted in the expungement of over 800,000 cannabis convictions. Connecticut's 2021 legalization law automatically expunged over 40,000 cannabis convictions. As Hawaii considers cannabis legalization it's important that we use this opportunity not just for economic development, but also to remove the scarlet letter of cannabis convictions that for decades have denied many Hawaii residents chances for upward mobility.

However, we suggest adopting automatic release and expungement provisions similar to SB 1043, such as: *"Each person arrested or convicted for an offense under chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or under part IV of chapter 712, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for possession or cultivation of marijuana, shall be entitled to: (1) Release from the custody of law enforcement or incarceration no later than 90 days after the effective date of this Act, unless the person is also in custody or incarcerated for an offense that is not permitted by the new chapter of the Hawaii Revised Statutes; and 2) An expungement order, issued within days after the effective date of this Act, from the court in which the person was arraigned or convicted, that annuls, cancels, and rescinds the record of arrest and record of conviction, as applicable, for the relevant offense; provided that an expungement order shall not be issued for a person if the State, the department of the attorney general, or the applicable prosecuting attorney demonstrates good cause against the issuance of the order for that person."*

And:

"Any person convicted or arrested for distribution of marijuana may petition at any time for: (1) Release from the custody of law enforcement or incarceration; and 2) an expungement order; and

relief shall be granted unless the prosecutor objects within 14 days and proves that relief would not be in the interests of justice.

Furthermore, we recommend including a provision that requires the state's lead actor in the record clearing process to issue a report on a regular basis (yearly, quarterly, etc.) on key metrics related to the fulfillment of automatic expungement for qualifying cannabis offenses. In shifting the process of record clearance away from the individual to the agencies that hold the criminal record, Hawaii should establish transparency requirements that allow lawmakers and citizens to monitor the state's progress towards implementation.

Lastly, SB 669 SD 1 lacks explicit market opportunities for individuals most harmed by cannabis prohibition. Most of the recent legalized states — Illinois, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, and Rhode Island — have adopted social equity measures to center individuals from communities hard hit by the war on drugs and with cannabis convictions by prioritizing these individuals in issuing new cannabis businesses licenses. Indeed, the Dual Use Cannabis Taskforce that convened this summer stated in their final report "The history of cannabis enforcement in Hawaii has engendered a diverse set of inequities across racial, economic, and geographic spectrums, and as the rest of the country is discovering as well, explicit policies must be put in place to redress these harms. Without integrated social equity policies, the experience of other states, as well as a variety of scholarly research sources, have shown that these inequities only increase in emerging cannabis industries."

With that in mind, we urge the committee to adopt the social equity language like those included in SB 375 as follows:

"(1) Disproportionately impacted area" means a census tract or comparable geographic area that has a poverty rate of at least twenty per cent according to the latest federal decennial census. (2) Social equity applicant" means an applicant that is a resident of the State that meets one or more of the following criteria: (a) An applicant with at least fifty—one per cent ownership and control by one or more individuals who have resided for at least five of the preceding ten years in a disproportionately impacted area; (b) An applicant with at least fifty—one per cent ownership and control by one or more individuals who: Have been convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for any marijuana related offense under Hawaii Revised Statutes; (c) An applicant with at least fifty—one per cent ownership and control by one or more individuals who are "Native Hawaiian" as defined in section 10H-3 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

(3) The authority and department shall establish grant and loan programs for the purposes of providing financial assistance, loans, grants, and technical assistance to social equity applicants.

(4) For social equity applicants, the authority shall waive fifty per cent of any nonrefundable license application fees; any nonrefundable fees associated with purchasing a license to operate a business licensed under this chapter; and any surety bond or other financial requirements for the first five years of the applicant's operations; provided that the social equity applicant meets the following qualifications at the time the payment is due: (a) The applicant, including all individuals and entities with ten per cent or greater ownership and all parent companies, subsidiaries, and affiliates, has less

than a total of \$750,000 of income in the previous calendar year; and (b) The applicant, including all individuals and entities with ten per cent or greater ownership and all parent companies, subsidiaries, and affiliates, has no more than two other licenses under this chapter.
(5) For a social equity applicant, the authority shall designate at least fifty per cent of the maximum number of applications that shall be for each license type exclusively for social equity applicants.

Revenue Allocations

We strongly urge the committees to set aside a percent of the tax revenue for each of the following, as is common in other legalization states: 1) community reinvestment, in disproportionately impacted communities; and 2) substance abuse treatment, education, and prevention, and for education about responsible use. Governor Green has identified the latter two as priorities he'd like to see in any legalization proposal that makes it to his desk.

In conclusion, we strongly support the legalization of cannabis possession and cultivation rights for adults over 21. However, SB 669 SD 1 can be strengthened to meet cannabis policy best practices. We urge you to amend SB 669 SD 1 to include a significant fee for medical operators to convert to adult use, patient protections, and prioritization of social equity licensing and then pass it.

Mahalo for the opportunity to comment. I can be reached at the contact below and I'm happy to answer any questions you may.

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Date: February 28, 2023

To: Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee,
Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,
Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Senate Ways and Means
Committee,

Fr: Bill Jarvis, Chief Executive Officer on behalf of Manoa Botanicals, LLC

Re: Testimony **In Strong Support of Senate Bill (SB) 669**

RELATING TO CANNABIS.

Establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis. Decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use. Establishes taxes for cannabis sales. Takes effect 03/22/2025. (SD1)

Dear Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Members of the Committees:

Manoa Botanicals, LLC is one of eight licensees that operates on the island of Oahu, **strongly supports SB669** as an important bill for cannabis reform in the State of Hawai'i.

SB 669 addresses many concerns raised in the past about implementing an Adult-use of cannabis program in the State of Hawai'i. The bill provides steps to help control adult-use expansion using cost-effective methods that support strong regulatory measures. SB 669 accounts for, and mitigates, many of the failures of other states who have implemented Adult Use programs. Markets such as California, Oregon, and Washington have all suffered from uncontrolled expansion of their cannabis production and both licensed and unlicensed dispensaries. Hawaii already has seen illegal dispensary operations like, "Pinky's" as well as large scale illicit commercial production facilities posing as modest farms selling unregulated highly potent cannabis products.

SB 669 also prevents the further proliferation of unlicensed illicit operators by calling for sales on day one by licensed operators. In New York cannabis use was legalized in March 2021 however licenses were not issued until 8 months later, in November of 2021. This allowed the illicit market the opportunity to grow unchecked and has negatively impacted the program. Hawaii legalized the medicinal cannabis program in 2000 but did not stand-up licensed dispensaries until 15-years later and we have seen the impacts of illicit operators that originated during that time.

Hawai'i can control the transition to legalization by allowing day one sales of Adult Use cannabis while building out the rest of the program. Allowing adult use sales immediately upon passage of legalization is imperative to minimize the risk of black-market activity as seen in other jurisdictions. While the state doesn't have to grant that privilege to licensed medical dispensaries, the current medical program is already operating in a regulatory climate and can test adult-use demand and engagement using the controls and regulatory body already in place.



SB 669's proposed 10% cannabis excise tax and 4.5% GET tax on legal cannabis sales are estimated to generate **\$81 million in revenue surplus** for the state annually^[1]. This bill will generate tax revenue while diminishing illicit market sales that are untaxed and unregulated. There will be claims from opponents that this bill creates no new local jobs. That statement is patently false. In fact, the legal medical cannabis industry has already created hundreds of jobs, and adult-use legalization will create hundreds more. In the case of Noa, every single employee employed by Noa, lives and works in Hawai'i and our plans call for us to double our local employee base within three years of adult-use legalization.

This bill also sets very high safeguards to protect the community, especially individuals under the age of 21. SB 669 keeps the same standards as our current medical program plus additional measures to protect our communities. Without regulated testing or dosing, individuals will be unable to confirm whether the dosing or potency of products are accurate, consistent, or safe to consume. Certain products being sold by a large-scale illicit operator on Oahu are 25x's higher than the safe dosage allowed by the Department of Health Regulatory Rules for current licensed dispensaries. Not taking action to bring illicit cannabis activity into the light where it can be taxed, regulated, and made safe continues to put our communities at risk and is a serious public health hazard.

In conclusion, SB 669 provides a roadmap to ensure that the Adult-Use of cannabis in Hawai'i happens in a safe and controlled manner that is specific to Hawaii. The bill takes into consideration all the learnings offered by other states that have already implemented Adult-use programs to ensure that we avoid those missteps. The bill minimizes risks, creates efficient and effective policy, and will create economic opportunity while keeping our community safe.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this testimony.



COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

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March 1, 2023
Jason Hanley,
Member of the Oahu Cannabis Farms Alliance (OCFA)

SB 669 (OPPOSING)

Honorable Members of the Committee,

After meeting with legislators, Dept. of Health, and dispensary representatives, the development of SB 669 is following the same path as the establishment of dispensaries in 2015. After 6 years into the dispensary program development, less than 30% of medical patients are going to dispensaries and many dispensaries publicly stating they are going out of business with the burdensome regulations. The problem is very simple in my opinion. Legislation is split on any type of legal cannabis program moving forward. Many legislators represent communities that resist any type of cannabis legalization whether medical or recreational. The mood is "lets pass what we can pass even if it is a bad bill". This type of bill making is detrimental to the community and to the medical patients of Hawaii.

SB 669 has no data driving the bill, and on the contrary, there is a lot of data available to legislation to properly build a successful state dual use program. American for Safe Access released a 2021 report "An Analysis of Medical Cannabis Across the United States".

It is obvious that Senate bill 375 was drafted by proponents of marijuana legalization with heavy input from the existing cannabis industry. SB 669 if enacted would prove to be difficult to implement, regulate and enforce.

Hawaii 's cannabis authority board will be comprised of individuals that will lack objectivity due to the composition of this board. What we see in about every instance is the authority bestowed by statute in a governance board is dominated by members whose vested interest is the success of the program with little regard to the actual events that are occurring because of legalization of commercial adult use. This is reinforced throughout SB669 as very little language is devoted to collecting data so that informed decisions can be made in the following areas: public health and public safety.

SB 669 attempts to correct or at least incentivize disenfranchised community members who are actively seeking licenses to manufacture, distribute or sell commercial adult use marijuana. However, laudable this may seem; it seldom produces tangible results.

Historically, what we have seen in the states that have legalized commercial adult use marijuana, initially disenfranchised community members enter the marketplace but if you have sustainable resources to survive and thrive, we have seen a consolidation of ownership and each instance with larger corporate entities that have the fiscal resources and the ability to price competition out of business. According to the recent Colorado business statistics, approximately 70% of Colorado 's commercial adult use industry is controlled by 8 individuals/ entities. We continue to see a consolidation within the marketplace in the state of Illinois and most recently in the state of New Jersey.

Mahalo.

SB-669-SD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Abir Amirdash	Testifying for Pakaloha Care Clinic	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in strong opposition to this bill. this bill aims to monopolize the market to limit acquiring and cultivation of cannabis except from dispensaries. It limits further future business dealings (such as a cannabis transportation and delivery service) to dispensaries only. This does not seem socially equitable!

I am asking you wholeheartedly to oppose this bill.

Let us write a bill that benefits the patients & consumers first. I am available for questions or comments and can be reached by email or telephone. Mahalo



Wednesday, March 1, 2023

Chairmen Jarrett Keohokalole and Donovan Dela Cruz
Hawaii Senate Committees on Commerce and Consumer Protection and Ways and Means

Senate Bill 669 Imposes Excessive Restrictions on Cannabis Licensing

Dear Chairmen Keohokalole and Dela Cruz and Members of the Committees:

On behalf of the Reason Foundation, I thank you for accepting these comments and making them part of the public record. Among other things, the Reason Foundation is committed to ensuring that state-regulated cannabis markets are designed in such a way that they remain dynamic and offer genuine economic opportunity to individuals from a range of backgrounds. We are concerned that key provisions in Senate Bill 669 impose unnecessary restrictions on licensing that will raise barriers to entry, limit entrepreneurial opportunities, and inhibit the transition of legacy cannabis suppliers into the regulated marketplace.

Specifically, Section A-8(a)(8) requires the proposed cannabis regulatory authority to place “restrictions on the number of licenses that may be issued.” Similarly, Section A-5 (11) charges the agency to determine a maximum number of cannabis licenses that may be issued. This determination is not subject to further legislative review. The proposed agency is supposed to make this determination based on a review of market data to ensure the supply of regulated cannabis inventory does not exceed demand. The agency is instructed to make this determination prior to issuing rules that would implement the cannabis program. In other words, the agency would make calculations based on unreported transactions that occur in an illicit market. This is an impossible task given the illusiveness of illicit market data.

Moreover, this state-directed planning of supply would be misguided even if the information were readily available. Sponsors are concerned that an excess of supply relative to demand could result in the unauthorized distribution of regulated cannabis inventory. However, Sec. A-8(a)(5) already instructs the agency to adopt rules “to prevent the sale or diversion of cannabis and cannabis products” to unauthorized persons. To the extent this provision requires implementation of a statewide track-and-trace system granting regulators visibility into the location of all units of regulated inventory, then license limits serve no additional function in protecting the integrity of the regulated marketplace. To the contrary, these limits raise barriers to entry that will impede the orderly transition of legacy cannabis suppliers into the regulated marketplace. Jurisdictions that have imposed limits on licenses have witnessed numerous instances of public corruption as officials have demanded or accepted bribes from aspiring licensees.¹ Lack of availability of licenses has led to vibrant activity among unlicensed

¹ See, e.g., Geoffrey Lawrence, “Nevada’s Flawed Marijuana Legalization Process Leads to Corruption and Lawsuits, Reason Foundation, October 22, 2019, <https://reason.org/commentary/nevadas-flawed-marijuana-legalization-process-leads-to-corruption-and-lawsuits/>; Adam Elmahrek et al. “New Details Show Sprawling Web of Corruption in Southern

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sellers from California to New York.

Exclusivity in licensing is only the first barrier to entry into the regulated marketplace that limits entrepreneurial opportunities and impedes transition of legacy suppliers into the regulated marketplace. High licensing fees are a second barrier. Sec. A-5(13) places no limit on the licensing fees that can be charged by the proposed cannabis regulatory authority. Section A-8(a)(2) nominally limits application fees to \$10,000, but allows the agency to go above this figure at its discretion. By comparison, application fees for most license types are \$1,000 or less in Alaska, California, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Oregon and Washington.²

Finally, key provisions that should be included within a cannabis legalization measure appear to be missing from Senate Bill 669. There is no provision expressly stating that contracts between cannabis licensees are enforceable under Hawaiian law. Without this provision, parties may break contractual commitments on the basis of illegality. There is no provision protecting holders of occupational licenses from censure by regulatory authorities on the basis of providing services to a cannabis licensee. There is no provision protecting the parental rights of lawful, adult users of cannabis. Finally, the bill is silent on the role that local governments will play in regulating cannabis licensees.

There are many promising aspects of Senate Bill 669, including a competitive tax rate assessed on retail transactions only. We hope lawmakers resolve the problematic provisions so that Hawaii can launch a successful and dynamic adult-use program that avoids complications seen in other jurisdictions. We are happy to provide further recommendations toward this objective.

Sincerely,
Geoffrey Lawrence
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² Marijuana Policy Project, “Breakdown of Application, Licensing and Renewal Fees in Adult-Use States,” <https://www.newsreview.com/sacramento/content/cannabis-crime-and-corruption/29674980/>.

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Testimony Opposing SB669 SD1- Relating to Cannabis
Hearing on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 9:30 am
Conference Room 211, Hawaii State Capitol

To: Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair
Senator Carole Fukunaga, Vice Chair

Committee on Ways and Means
Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
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Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in opposition to *SB669 SD1*– Relating to Cannabis, which establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of cannabis. Decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use and establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

SB669 SD1 attempts to provide multiple venues for the use of recreational marijuana making it confusing and unworkable. Not only would there be dual use production, distribution and sales outlets for medical and recreational marijuana, but individuals for example could cultivate up to six plant and transfer small amounts of pot for personal use. A new independent *Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority* would be created to regulate and license dispensaries. No rationale is provided for eliminating DOH as the regulatory and licensing agent for medical and recreational cannabis dispensaries. DOH has been the regulatory entity for the past six years for medical use of marijuana operations. No mention made in the bill about safeguards for recreational pot use such as: health warnings against use by pregnant women, warnings against individuals under age 21, warnings about the risk and impact of impaired driving, and warnings against the use of marijuana by persons with a history of mental illness or substance use disorder (American Society for Addiction Medicine’s 2021 Public Policy Statement on Cannabis).

Regarding taxes for cannabis sales, it is questionable whether dual use cannabis operations can be profitable enough to generate sufficient tax revenues. According to the 2022 Dual Use Cannabis Task Force, in six years of operations by medical use marijuana dispensaries only resulted in tax revenues of only \$2.5 million. In addition, surveys conducted by the Task Force indicated that three out of five marijuana users purchased product from illegal sources versus licensed dispensaries because of the cost differences. Further, it was estimated that it will take at least six years to generate profits on recreational marijuana sales. This is hardly a robust market for profitable recreational marijuana operations.

It is unclear how the new regulatory authority would regulate the personal cultivation and use of marijuana. No clear strategy is laid out on how to curb the illegal and well-established underground industry that now grows, sells, and distributes pot. In summary, *SB669 SD1* lacks a strong regulatory structure for the management of dual use cannabis operations. Also, it is unclear how it will regulate personal use of marijuana and provide safeguards that will protect vulnerable users. The cannabis operations model does not appear to be able to generate sufficient tax revenues that would benefit the state.

SB-669-SD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mark Tamosiunas	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

"Takes effect 03/22/2075. (SD1)" I oppose this bill because 52 years of waiting is ridiculous. You should all be ashamed for that and maybe even step down from your government positions because you are doing absolutely nothing for the people of Hawaii except wasting everyone's time.

SB-669-SD-1

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Loretta Black	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill strongly

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

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Chad Cromer	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

My name is Chad Cromer and I am a 100% disabled US veteran who is 100% against this bill. I currently grow for myself and my uncle who is a Vietnam veteran born and raised in Kaneohe. Limiting the number if mature plants increases the risk of not having meds. The chances of something happening is always very high and sometimes is best to just throw away a whole plant. Not all cannabis grows well here, and it takes time to find those strains and what works for our specific medical conditions. I am currently living on a extremely fixed income with very little money for extras. Most all caretakers have invested their precious money and time in cultivating a medicine that's worthy of being used. My insurance will not cover any medicine related to cannabis so these costs must come 100% out of pocket. Please do not make all the time, energy, and money caretakers and patients have invested be a waste. Do not take away what we have all worked so hard to achieve and punish those that we currently hold as our heros. Thank you for your time.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2023 2:21:08 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Caroline Azelski	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please oppose. The proven detrimental effects of regular use aren't well known in the general population like with alcohol use (example: fetal alcohol syndrome, etc).

From a blog article by Dr. Daniel Amen, a leading brain health researcher:

<https://www.amenclinics.com/blog/amen-research-marijuana-affects-blood-flow-brain/>

New Research Shows How Marijuana Drops Blood Flow to the Brain. Should You Be Concerned?

November 30, 2016

Reported rates of marijuana use have more than doubled in the past decade. Medical marijuana is now legal in nearly half of US states and is increasing access to the drug for current and potential future users. *Although it is often portrayed as harmless, and sometimes even therapeutic, there has not been nearly enough studies done to prove this.* In fact, marijuana is often prescribed for issues like [anxiety](#), though studies cannot comprehensively show this to be true. *The current available information of the impact marijuana has on the neurophysiology of the brain show, predominantly, depressive effects.*

In a recent study using PET imaging to demonstrate the release of dopamine in the striatum, a region of the brain that is involved in working memory, impulsive behavior, and attention, *results showed that heavy marijuana use has similar dopamine releasing behaviors as [cocaine and heroin with addiction](#). Several studies in chronic cannabis users show structural changes to the hippocampus persist, even after six months of abstinence.*

U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy has already warned that we're too quick to legalize the popular drug when research still hasn't shown whether or not it's truly safe. With Amen's new research, there is proof that Dr. Murthy's concerns are well warranted.

Just published in the most recent [Journal of Alzheimer's Disease](#), the research finds that, *after studying imaging of 1,000 cannabis users' brains, there were signs of noticeable deficiencies of blood flow.* The study, which included 25,168 non-cannabis users, and 100 healthy controls, shows a scary and obvious difference in blood flow levels for those that used cannabis. Additionally, *those that used marijuana showed a significant lack of blood flow in the right*

*hippocampus, the area of the brain that helps with memory formation. **This part of the brain is severely affected with those that suffer from Alzheimer's disease.***

Our research has proven that marijuana users have lower cerebral blood flow than non-users. The most predictive region separating these two groups is low blood flow in the hippocampus on concentration [brain SPECT imaging](#). This work suggests that marijuana use has damaging influences in the brain – particularly regions important in [memory and learning](#) and known to be affected by Alzheimer's. Our research demonstrates that marijuana can have significant negative effects on brain function. The media has given a general impression that marijuana is a safe recreational drug, this research directly challenges that notion.

Several studies of perfusion imaging in marijuana users have shown similar results compared to ours. A small O15 PET study in a sample of 12 marijuana users used a randomized clinical trial design to examine brain perfusion before and after marijuana use. The study results found frontal, temporal and occipital lobe hypo-perfusion – all findings concordant with our study.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2023 5:12:47 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Will Caron	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

As of 2022, 37 states and four U.S. territories allow the use of cannabis for either or both medical and personal purposes. Hawaii enacted Chapter 329, part IX, Hawai‘i Revised Statutes to create a medical use of cannabis exemption from criminal sanctions and chapter 329D, Hawai‘i Revised Statutes, was enacted to authorize medical cannabis dispensaries to operate beginning July 2016.

In addition to medical cannabis laws, some states and jurisdictions have legalized or decriminalized cannabis. In each state, cannabis users no longer face jail time for the possession or use of cannabis in the amount permitted by statute. As of 2020, 21 states and three United States territories have legalized recreational cannabis.

Colorado was the first state to remove the prohibition on commercial production of cannabis for general use. During the first year of legal cannabis sales in 2014, Colorado collected \$67,594,323 in taxes and fees from medical and retail cannabis. As of November 2020, Colorado has collected \$1,563,063,859 in total revenue from cannabis taxes and fees.

The federal government has also signaled its approval of decriminalization at the federal level. On December 4, 2020, the United States House of Representatives passed the Marijuana Opportunity Reinvestment and Expungement Act, or MORE Act, which removes cannabis from the list of federally controlled substances and facilitates cancelling low-level federal convictions and arrests related to cannabis. This was the first time Congress has acted on the issue of decriminalizing cannabis.

Legalization of cannabis for personal or recreational use is a natural, logical, and reasonable outgrowth of the current science of cannabis and attitude toward cannabis. Cannabis cultivation and sales hold potential for economic development, increased tax revenues, and reduction in crime. Please pass SB669 SD1.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2023 11:01:40 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Richard Furst	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I'm writing to express my support for SB669 SD1. It's been shown in many states that legalizing recreational cannabis use carries huge economic benefits for state budgets. It's high time that Hawaii joined the rest of the nation in finally ending this prohibition on recreational marijuana use by consenting adults.

Respectfully,

Richard Furst

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Submitted on: 2/26/2023 6:45:04 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ben L.	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Cannabis was banned for racist reasons in 1910-1911. see <https://libguides.law.uga.edu/c.php?g=522835&p=3575350> or <https://time.com/5572691/420-marijuana-mexican-immigration/> .

The law against cannabis in 1937 "marihuana tax act" was ruled unconstitutional by the US supreme court in 1969 , US v Leary. Cannabis was then made illegal again with the controlled substances act of 1970. The controlled substances act, too, is unconstitutional, but challenging it in the courts is difficult, as you can see the "marihuana tax act" was law for 32 years before being found unconstitutional.

Hawaii needs to make cannabis legal again. The prohibition of marijuana was created by racists for racists to enforce laws against racial minorities. The state of Hawaii has recognized that cannabis is a medicine, so it cannot be listed in the state controlled substances schedule 1. Which according to HRS §329-13 , schedule 1 drugs are reserved for "the highest degree of danger or probable danger".

Since the year 2000 when Hawaii's medical marijuana program was enacted, medical marijuana patients have been using marijuana without any danger at all, because there is no danger with marijuana use. It is non toxic.

Even if you do not agree with marijuana legalization, at least look at the truth and reality that the war on drugs is a failure. Criminalizing marijuana possession , manufacture and use has done nothing to stop marijuana use, possession or manufacture. Prohibition has only wasted our precious tax dollars spent on turning our police force into drug sniffing dogs.

The laws against marijuana have , in turn, made our police force neglect solving of other, more important crimes, including rape , burglaries, armed robberies and murder. The people of Hawaii want those crimes solved and the people responsible stopped. The people of Hawaii want marijuana legal.

Please get rid of these racist laws against marijuana.

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Submitted on: 2/26/2023 11:22:52 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Henry Bell	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a native Hawaiian and i strongly oppose this bill. No social equity for Hawaii people. Plant limit is not the best solution... Growing doesn't always lead to harvesting!

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 5:42:57 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Daniel Carroll	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Strongly oppose this bill that supports commercial cannabis. 2 years is too long to exclude local farmers from this industry while giving all the opportunity to greedy dispensaries. Please consider our local farmers when deciding who can/should grow cannabis for our community. Please do not let the dispensaries decide how cannabis is sold. They have proven over the last years that they cannot grow quality medicine, rip off the consumer, have very poor customer service and just overall do not represent Hawaii or aloha. Please let our local farmers grow and pay taxes on cannabis production/sales, Not rich dispensary owners.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 10:05:19 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Troy Abraham	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support the legalization of Marijuana in Hawaii.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 10:25:03 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Support

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 10:54:26 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tee Winston Kavanaugh	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I have been a resident of Honolulu for the last 11years, since 2012. I have suffered immense pain do to debilitating migraines. The dispensaries have only been around since 2017 and have not been very helpful. They have been expensive, dismissive, and down right not working for patients only working for profit.

In contrast, the caregivers and collectives around Oahu have been able to help me when I've needed medication, made it affordable and taught me how to cultivate my own should the need or desire ever come up. I believe there is a substantial need for coops and collectives, the need to allow individual patients to choose how the can acquire their care and to take control of their medication, farm to table kind.

To sum up I am firmly OPPOSED to SB669 and feel that the SOH and the governing bodies need to think about the needs of the patient not the companies that don't care about patients needs and only focus on profits. Let's not be the corrupt Hawaii that has been a horrible business legacy for over a century.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 1:07:06 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Me	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

We can do better

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 2:19:39 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Drew Daniels	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill and the legalization and decriminalization of cannabis.

I suggest that you increase the amount that is legalized and decriminalized to 4 ounces; allow homegrowers and caretakers to manufacture edibles and extracts; and prioritize new licenses where current licenses don't exist ie. Moloka'i and Lana'i.

Mahalo for considering my testimony.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 2:34:18 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Karl Michael Kvalvik	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Greetings Chair, Vice Chair, and Representatives of this Council.

I oppose SB669.

SB669 represents a "Turf War" initiated by Dispensaries (HICIA) against Cannabis Cultivators (Oahu Cannabis Farms Alliance).

Please re-consider passing this bill, as it would enable the few (9 dispensaries) to dominate the Hawaii Cannabis market and push out the many (88 Cooperative Cannabis Farms).

Kind Regards,
Karl Michael Kvalvik
808-518-7806

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 3:40:38 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Chrissie Brown	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB669.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 2:47:34 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jennifer Anastasi	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill as it goes against the sovereignty of natural beings to grow plants for medicine and food. This is a bill that will only benefit the monopoly of cannabis that corporatizes a plant and continues to criminalize people as science and laws are changing on what defines cannabis, a plant with flowers as a drug that is categorized with heroin.

This bill is poorly written and will not benefit the natives, locals, and transplants whose intentions are to provide for themselves and others. Cannabis has been healing people for thousands of years and before the first dispensary in 2017, one must ask: how has it been cultivated and consumed?

The incarceration of the people worldwide in relation to growing, transporting, sharing, and consuming this plant is a crime against humanity. Nobody has power or the law to dictate what people can do when it comes to a plant. This is only going to make people study the law and regain their power as sovereign beings to invoke the law. This bill is exposing the current state of affairs and in my eyes it is clear as day, this is spiritual warfare. I oppose this bill entirely . Please take heed. Free the plant free the people!

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 3:46:28 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Justin Tabios	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I, Justin Tabios, oppose SB669. I oppose this because it removes the faces, voices and emotions of the people within the Cannabis Industry/Community. Dispensaries and local growers can co-exist amongst the industry. We ALL can benefit from better and equal Cannabis bills versus the Industry being completely monopolized by dispensaries leaving local people out of the equation, only benefiting outside sourced corporations.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 6:28:42 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Janet Pascua	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am opposed to any bill that takes away my medical grow rights. Dispensaries are way too expensive.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 7:30:57 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael Stacy	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

(I've just lost a day of writing when the save feature failed.

I'm attempting to attach a pdf in support of testimony, evidence for the public record, and I am being told it's a choice between writing and attachments, not both?

UNACCEPTABLE! Submitting pdf failure. Returning to the writing in progress.)

I'm attaching the pdf of an email conversation I was first person part of, and I am requesting an investigation of HICIA based on the suspicion they have engaged in an attempt to mislead legislature using knowingly falsified data. The report represents a possible civil rights violation against every legally compliant medical cannabis patient in Hawaii. It mis-represents legally permitted and compliant medical cannabis patient grows as 'black market'.

The report was presented in the dual use committee and I request an investigation beginning with the possibility that HICIA violated Hawaii Sunshine Laws and communicated with co-conspirators during the committee sessions.

Any legislation altering accepted and currently legal patient cultivation rights directly impacts an at risk community, and the public testimony period in legislature is no substitute for the ethical and transparent processes leading to the formulation of the legislation in question. This bill will criminalize accepted and legal activities by patients, when suitable remedy for any illegal activity already exists in the states criminal code. Altering laws based on the 'data' and studies of a paid lobbyist group, without offering the patient community an opportunity to participate FIRST, is shameful. It penalizes a blameless and at risk community without due process.

The open testimony period in legislature is no substitute for an unbiased, ethical, and inclusive survey of patient needs and practices. If there is no video testimony allowed, how is the public given equal weight in an argument where the HICIA lobbyist group has been on both television

and radio pursuing the agenda that negatively impacts a community UNLIKELY TO UNDERSTAND THIS STATE WEBSITE!

IT'S NOT FUNCTIONAL. Attachments and pasting are incompatible with my phone. Button links and menus are difficult to find.

The patient community is misrepresented as a black market in the data provided to Paul Brewbaker of TZeconomics. I was a patient activist attempting to stop HICIA from misrepresenting the patient community ANOTHER year in legislature. This isn't new behavior by them, they've been doing this every year. Past BEHAVIOR must be taken into account.

I call for the investigation of the HICIA group, with the concern that the scientifically WORTHLESS 'study' presented in the collection of data from other states may represent one aspect of a larger conspiracy to mislead legislature in Washington DC, as an organized conspiracy by Cannabis Industry Association lobbyist groups in other states. CACIA is worth noting, as they engaged in similar tactics of misrepresenting legal grows as black market in California legislature, two years in a row.

Legal and accepted patient community practices necessary for the effective production of medically appropriate cannabis for patients will be criminalized if this bill passes. If only one patient is negatively impacted without just cause or due process, that's completely unacceptable.

The entire patient community that is involved in the ongoing BOYCOTT of dispensaries is served and supplied by existing law. Altering laws governing patient cultivation before the period of community participation proposed in the cannabis control council portion of related legislation will lead DIRECTLY to patients being prevented from accessing the medical care they choose.

The option to pay commercial prices at a dispensary cannot substitute for the FREE medical cannabis patients are currently able to grow. Any alterations to existing hard won patient cultivation rights prevents effective and appropriate use by a large portion of the patient community.

The free exchange of cannabis seeds without fear of criminal penalties is an established and hard won, indispensable aspect of medical cannabis in Hawaii. The existing patient breeder community preserves heirloom and landrace cultivars of cannabis that require outdoor growth in sun shine. Such varieties are incapable of growing in meaningful quantities in any reasonable indoor environment. The gene pools of cannabis in question cannot be preserved without the cooperative efforts of the patient community, as the current practices legally allow, through the legal sharing of seeds and plants. Any aspect of commerce or remuneration can be addressed through currently existing laws.

Including seeds in the definition of 'cannabis, to be regulated and criminalised, violates existing patient rights. The production of medical cannabis seeds for patients, by patients, IS PROTECTED under current law; the requirements that male plants must be tagged and will count in the ten plant limit per patient, even though the males produce no usable flowers, acknowledges that seed production by the patients THEMSELVES is an indispensable part of producing effective medical cannabis.

Any legislation altering accepted and legal patient cultivation regulations based on data that misrepresents the patient community as criminals is an unforgivable abuse of the legislative process.

Rec legal cannabis is inevitable. Patient needs supercede the interests of any commercial enterprise, dispensary permit holders or national lobbyist groups.

My husband and daughter both died in 2022, I am crippled, left with only a memory, and the ashes of those I loved MOST in this life. We were all medical cannabis patients. Jenny had six months to live, but we made it stretch out for almost three years. My husband died in my arms, at home. He was the love of my life. Every single day we were together, we grew our flowers, together in the sun. It was part of the hope and the healing that kept us alive, and those moments in the sun, playing in the dirt are the happiest memories of my life.

The HICIA report calls Don and Jenny criminals, lumps us all in a "black market" created by HICIA mis-representing data to Paul Brewbaker of TZeconomics, and then to the state legislature.

If I cannot submit video testimony, how can you see my tears? How can you hear my sobs.

I speak for my dead family, my dying and crippled self, and everyone in the legally compliant medical cannabis patient community when I scream SHAME!!!! SHAME ON ANYONE WHO STANDS SILENTLY WHILE HICIA ATTACKS MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENTS!!

Choosing not to act, is an action. There is a STENCH OF LIES around HICIA. It cannot be ignored. Every single bill drafted with their participation is highly suspect.

Kill all attacks on the patient community, and legalize cannabis for the people and the patients of Hawaii. Legalize cannabis CORRECTLY, honorably, and transparently.

Cooperation with the HICIA group carries the inherent risk of conspiracy, and legal consequences. Their deeds are public record. Here's more.

I began this effort to resist corporate interference in medical cannabis law by sharing with the Federal government at least three years ago.

Defend the patient community. Defend existing and accepted patient community cultivation activities.

Do not criminalize what is REQUIRED by the patient community. We are not REQUIRED to purchase our meds from a dispensary in order to be legal. We are permitted, and compliant. We are not "black market"

We are the legally compliant medical cannabis patient grower community.

I am LuckCityPipes on Instagram, representing the #patientdrivenbreedingprogram We are an patient community that predates the first dispensary. We are legal, and medically indispensable. We are not a business, or a commodity, we are established and accepted patient community.

The production and preservation of the cannabis that patients require cannot be left to ANY commercial enterprise. We exist with the EXPECTATION that legalization will allow us to access the larger GLOBAL cannabis community. We exist as part of a large community in the public eye already. This bill is poisonous.

Gut it or kill it. The voters are watching every single move you make.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 9:48:02 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
celia tapp	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Our current 329 medical cannabis registry program is not as inclusive as it could be. While we have 35,000 registered patients that meet DOH's qualifying conditions, we are aware that there are many more responsible adults using and administering cannabis as medicine.

Politically it has been a tough road to navigate, and we are grateful for the protections the state has provided us. These simple protections tell me that at the very least- we can all agree: Cannabis should be federally rescheduled and decriminalized.

We must move forward with reasonable expansions to our citizen protections, not vile acts of diminishment.

I don't support limited licensing schemes. I don't support impaired driving or increased access for juveniles. I don't support the idea that everyone 21+ should be targeted for cannabis consumption.

we need to go back to the drawing board, and we have time. we need to protect our patients and caregivers. This is an exit strategy for the 8. We don't need multi state operators buying up our limited licenses. We need small farms diversifying the market providing superior quality medicine at an affordable price. Expunge, decrim, then advance an inclusive "adult use" bill

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 9:48:20 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jerome Brynda	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

As a patient and caregiver I am in strong opposition to any bill that attempts to limit a patients access to medical cannabis products by designating the currently licenced dispensaries as the only legitimate point of sale for these products, and in doing so, criminalizes the legacy cultivators and the patients that they have been serving. I am all for legalization but this is not the way. We need an open fair market that promotes competition, not a select few that will monopolize the industry.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 9:49:22 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rusty Tapp	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Strong opposition

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 10:34:33 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
John Adams	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

The bulk of this bill is fairly reasonable but I have to oppose because the only participants of the pilot period will be the current licensees. I'm skeptical of their ability to produce unbiased data and feel that it would be detrimental to the cannabis community to allow them any more influence over the future of cannabis policy in Hawaii.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 10:51:57 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrew Simmons	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz, I am in strong opposition to this bill. Hawaii can do much better! I am all for cannabis legalization but SB669 is not worded in a way that would benefit Hawaii as a whole and would instead give more of a monopoly to the dispensaries.

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Submitted on: 2/27/2023 11:40:53 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
fehren	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha.

I strongly OPPOSE SB669.

I stand by my previous testimony of SB 669. I am saddened on how there's a lack of jobs for locals, better yet, Kanaka Maoli. Already, when I enter a dispensary, majority are transplants, not born and raised from here. Along with, the inclusion of legacy farmers. Without the foundation of such farmers, Hawai'i would not be on the map for "great cannabis", internationally. These legacy farmers have paved the way. We need to do better, play these cards strategically, so that everyone wins and not be overtaxed and exhausted, like legal states in their current situation. Please take the time to meet the small time farmers and their team. Observe on how they care for their patients and their communities. What how they spend their dollars and how they support one another. It's a beautiful thing to witness and it's a beautiful thing to be a part of. Mahalo.

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 12:28:14 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
kenneth choi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please support this bill as other states have. They have used the money from the taxes on marijuana sales to fund education, roads, and the people. As a Hawaii resident, we are behind the curve on marijuana legislation. Look at Colorado or Washington on their legislation! No increases in crime due to marijuana, nor increased risk of the unfounded myth of "gateway drug."

Your constituents are watching how you vote.

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 6:22:10 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jared Asleson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support any legalization that gives all of the power to the dispensaries and their owners. I do not support turning hawaii into another state run by out-of-towners with big money. This will hurt local growers, local patients, local suppliers of soils and fertilizers.

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 6:51:16 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Virginia Milton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

My name is Virginia Milton.

I was born in Honokaa and lived in Waimea with my family where my father taught at HPA.

I now live in Maine where I work with my three adult sons in a family medical cannabis cultivation business. Neither my sons nor I ever could have imagined a scenario where we would work together growing cannabis. I was fiercely opposed to them using any drugs and they knew it. Things changed when a loved one made the decision to stop taking prescribed narcotics and to use medical cannabis instead. In watching the process I learned so much about cannabis as medicine as well as about the Maine Medical program which is made up of many small businesses who care deeply about their patients and helping them have safe and effective medicine treat all sorts of conditions. I am constantly awed by members of the community and the lengths that they go to to support their patients, their employees and their communities. It is Aloha.

Like Hawaii, Maine is a state of many small communities. If patients could only get their medicine by going to a dispensary in a larger town or city many patients would not have access to their medicine. Normal people can not take time off work or away from family responsibilities to travel long distances regularly. Nor is it possible to create the necessary relationship with the caregiver to find and dial in an effective treatment plan if the patient does not have reasonable access to the caregiver. Favoring dispensaries in highly populated areas is not in support of the majority of Hawaiians. Favoring large corporate companies over small businesses is not in support of the majority of Hawaiians.

Hawaii has an opportunity to create a program that supports the immediate and long term needs of the Hawaiian people. Hawaiians care deeply about their culture and its values. Aloha means something. Don't let that die at the hands of large companies who are just interested in making money. Create a program that creates lots of local jobs and allows families to create generational businesses that can be passed down. Create a program that involves the local legacy growers who are a part of Hawaii's rich history.

I fear that if Hawaii does not make the right choices now there will be no cannabis industry in Hawaii's future. If the only companies who are allowed to participate in the industry are the large corporate companies they have no loyalty to Hawaii and Hawaiian jobs. When cannabis becomes

federally legal they will close up shop in Hawaii where doing business is more expensive and they will just ship product from elsewhere to Hawaii.

Make a plan now that will ensure a rich and profitable industry for Hawaii and its people. I strongly oppose SB669.

Aloha,

Virginia Milton

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 6:52:59 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Drew Erickson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am a 329 cardholder. I oppose this bill as it is unclear to whom and how the licenses will be distributed. It seems to give the current dispensaries created to serve the medical community will be given a monopoly over recreational use. How will the dispensaries fulfill the demand for both medical and recreational cannabis? The language on who and when licenses outside of current medical dispensaries will be available is unclear. Can we craft legislation that includes small farmers and utilizes this resource to spread the wealth through the communities of Hawaii instead of only a few dispensary owners? I think better legislation can be made that benefits everybody.

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 7:05:47 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Pat Fondren	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose sb 669

as a native Hawaiian this bill screams exclusion of our community. It speaks as though the state does not care about our people only corporate interest .

It absolutely looks as this bill is privately funded by the dispensaries and directly forces them onto people of Hawaii .

mahalo

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 7:14:06 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Manuel Newman	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am the spokesperson for Bud & Lather Soap, but I submit testimony as an individual.

i grew up in Ewa Beach, I'm a product of the State of Hawaii: the public education system, the foster care system, James Campbell High School & UH Manoa Alumni, and member of the worldwide medical cannabis community and professional Cannabis Industry.

I oppose SB669. It's a step in the right direction, but it simply is NOT ENOUGH. ANY Legislation that does not allow for processing & Simple Manufacturing at Home is NOT ENOUGH.

Home cultivation for all adults is absolutely necessary, but 30g limits are ridiculous. Harvesting a single mature plant would put a patient instantly over the allowable limits.

the People of Hawaii must be allowed to produce their own medicine in whatever form works best for them. The most effective methods of delivery with the most medical benefits, they don't even get you "high" or intoxicated, but they aren't allowed under the current state laws. Juicing RAW cannabis with fresh fruits and vegetables. Making your own Edibles, topical salves and body rubs, tinctures and sublinguals, soaps, deodorants, and any other skin care product that you can think of; All of these things can be made at home, with great medicinal benefits, with little to no danger, but none of these things are allowed under current law.

there is an opioid epidemic and people are dying from Fentanyl; please allow for the legal at-home production of powerful Cannabis medicines like Full-Extract Cannabis Oil. I'm grateful to live in a state where I can legally produce this medicine, and I have personally provided this medicine to a handful of people who have used it to WIN their battles with Cancer.

At home Cannabis Cultivation and Legal Home Processing & Manufacturing isn't just about allowing Hawaii's small businesses a seat at the table, it's about saving lives.

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 7:16:45 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Judiah McRoberts	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 7:39:11 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
William Peters	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I feel that this bill dose not have the best interest of the plant or the people of this Aina
I Respectfully Oppose this bill.

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 7:44:04 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rebecca Ching	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha my name is Rebecca Ching and I am submitting written opposition in regards to SB669.

This bill will negatively impact our craft farmers who supply a great deal of medicine to patients who cannot afford dispensary meds. Why are dispensaries receiving such support? Have you not heard from the patients that dispensary medicine is of poor quality and way too expensive? I support decriminalizing cannabis but being that decriminalization is such an important piece of the pie shouldn't it be written in its own bill and not paired with commercialization in favor of dispensaries continued profits?

I vote no against this bill.

Aloha.

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 7:44:36 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rebecca Ching	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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I vote no against this bill.

Aloha.

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:28:54 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alexis Muller	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Thank you for your time and ability to give written testimony on SB669, I am in favor of this bill with comments.

We have an opportunity in Hawaii to implement adult use the right way, we have many states to learn from, seeing what went right and what went wrong. Hawaii will be the most successful if we allow many license to small craft farms that are run by LOCALS ONLY. If we overregulate cannabis for locals and implement dual use, we will see an influx in black market cannabis come in from every state around the nation. If we allow Hawaii to cultivate its own cannabis then the market will stay saturated with just enough for everyone, closing the need for outside state black market cannabis.

We must allow Hawaii locals to be the producers of Hawaii cannabis and not only retail dispensaries in the state, cannabis is the most profitable in small amounts of variety.

We have an opportunity for everyone to profit in this state and Please don't give rights to a few taking away the ability for everyone to profit a small amount. These big corporations have taken enough from the people and if we take care of the people of Hawaii we all profit.

In regards to (7) Determine which applicants shall be awarded licenses; should not be stated so broadly. This makes room for favoritism, other options should be explored like a the lottery system AZ implemented making it fair for everyone to get a license.

A new section should be added that the Hawaii Cannabis authority is required to create, publish and distribute public education material.

All recommending providers for the medical program should be required to take CE in cannabis education and all emergency room doctors and personal should be required to be education in

cannabis and signs of acute cannabis intoxication. To avoid any public health concerns and reduce the cost of state healthcare costs.

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tyler Crook	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please do not support any more monopoly of the cannabis industry in Hawaii. Please Oppose.

SB-669-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:38:10 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Hawaii Cannabis Union	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please oppose all bills that continue to support the current monopoly of the cannabis industry in Hawaii.

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 9:00:54 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Beverly Heiser	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chairs, Vice Chairs, and Committee Members,

I STRONGLY oppose SB669 that establishes regulations for the cultivation, sale, and personal use of small amounts of cannabis, decriminalizes and regulates small amounts of cannabis for personal use, and establishes taxes for cannabis sales.

“Recreational” cannabis, unlike “medical” cannabis, does not contain CBD to modulate the adverse effects of THC. Some in the general public, without doing research, may not understand the difference. Recreational cannabis is just another way to get high.

The THC in cannabis is known to affect the heart, lungs, and mental health of individuals.

Health Effects Listed by the CDC:

<https://www.cdc.gov/marijuana/health-effects/index.html>

Legalizing will increase cannabis use in our community, including our youth. The effects vary from person to person, depending on the type, the mode of use, the amount, and frequency. It can cause anxiety, paranoia, psychosis, and other mental disorders. There is evidence linking it to depression and suicide. There are already so many that need mental health care and are not getting it due to the lack of services and facilities.

Regulation will not work. Recent media showed an authorized “medical” cannabis grower exceeded the amount of plants allowed, so how do we expect to control the “recreational” type? Individuals will illegally grow and start selling their own varieties. The THC in cannabis today is much stronger than years past. People will steal plants, causing a need to protect them. This will cause a rise in crime that is already out of control.

There will be an increase of impaired drivers and vehicle accidents.

Effects of secondhand smoke listed by the National Institute on Drug Abuse:

<https://nida.nih.gov/publications/research-reports/marijuana/what-are-effects-secondhand-exposure-to-marijuana-smoke>

Secondhand cannabis smoke is as bad as tobacco and contains the same toxic and cancer-causing chemicals, some in higher amounts. Secondhand smoke has also caused THC to be detected in the blood or urine of those who do not use cannabis. It has also been detected in children and infants in homes where cannabis is used. How will this secondhand smoke affect their developing brains? A “contact high” resulting in mild impairment can be experienced by non-users when in a confined space around someone smoking.

Addictions will grow and may lead to the use of other drugs. We already DO NOT have enough drug treatment programs to treat those that need help.

Any amount of taxes collected is NOT worth the risk to our community. Other states legalizing is a poor justification to follow suit. It will NOT reduce crime or prison space. It will not stop people from soliciting the black market. What are the statistics of people spending extended time in jail for cannabis possession? Our prison is known to be a revolving door. It is also outdated and overcrowded.

Please OPPOSE SB669.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
John Astilla	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

My name John Astilla, I am an Army veteran, conservationist, and farmer, and a former employee of a Maui based cannabis production facility. I am in **STRONG OPPOSITION** to SB 669

I'd like to comment on the need to reform and improve the system to support small farmers that are currently excluded from the cannabis industry.

I am also here to argue for a more fair and accessible path to adult use cannabis in Hawai'i that doesn't represent only the commercial interests of the existing dispensary licensees and doesn't doom our state to unresponsive and entrenched monopolies in cannabis. I think there are some elements of SB 669 that could move us in this direction, but as the language is currently written, this bill will sadly lead to yet another captured market, artificially high prices for customers, no competition in the marketplace and therefore low diversification and quality of products, and a continued high rate of participation in the 'legacy' market for both farmers and consumers who will simply seek their products elsewhere. The passage of the business regulation parts of this bill could be worse than the status quo as it would create truly entrenched companies with a two-year lead on every other small farmer and a guarantee that literally all businesses in the Adult Use market flow through their licenses.

WHAT I SUPPORT

-Immediate decriminalization in Part II Section A 2 and Part III. We would also like to see expungements and clearing of cannabis convictions be a part of this to ensure the damage we have already unjustly done to many innocent cannabis users doesn't continue to harm them.

WHAT I OPPOSE

-Part II Section 6 & 7, which would represent a massive payout to only the nine existing dispensary owners and create an unworkable program that they completely control. A two-year

window to exclusively profiteer is an inexcusable injustice to the many talented and hardworking cannabis entrepreneurs who could create a local, sustainable economy but would be locked out simply to feed these companies' profits. There can be no justifying a carveout like this for companies who already control so much of the state medical cannabis marketplace, who enjoy explicit state favoritism that I and others can personally attest to in the enforcement actions of the police and Department of Health, and who engage in potentially illegal and prohibited activity because of that favoritism.

I believe that from the start the application and licensing process should be open to anyone who can meet reasonable standards of preparedness and who is willing to take on the risk and challenge of starting a business in this field. How else can we easily monitor and analyze the scope of cannabis usage in Hawai'i if we don't let folks who know how to grow and provide these products participate in the market? How could someone new compete with a licensee who not only has two years to build brand and customers and real estate but that they also have to distribute all of their products through and have to rely on for manufacturing services? That is completely messed up and unacceptable to believers in free markets and in the greater good. We want a larger number of small, hyper-local businesses whose earnings and jobs will stay right here at home no matter what happens in the future. Let's build that local and sustainable economy together.

This model is broken before it even launches, and I can't support it without first seeing serious decriminalization and major competitive reforms in the medical program to provide a legal path for small farm entrepreneurs.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 669

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Casey Nakama	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill.

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Testimony for CPN on 3/1/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dawn-Sheree Young	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB669. I have my card but live on federal property. Unable to grow my own here . Dispensary are beyond my budget, not the greatest effect and very dry, limited choices. Places like care Waiialua are affordable and have a variety of fresh medicines available that work for me.

Thank you for your time

DawnSheree Young

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Name	Anthony Poepoe jr
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Name Austin Gapsis

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Testimony Aloha Chairs Keohokalole and Dela Cruz,

The government has no business limiting the freedoms of the people. Legalize marijuana it doesn't hurt anyone. It's already everywhere consumed publicly. Legalizing just would end the dumb sharade

Please and thank you

Austin

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Name bennett varney

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Testimony I am a huge advocate for marijuana being legalized for adult use in Hawaii. There are already thousands of people who have their medical marijuana cards, and have real issues that this medicine helps them with. That is just one of the many reasons why making marijuana a recreational drug in hawaii would be so beneficial for everyone who needs it. There's a reason it's legal in so many other states, and I think Hawaii should be next.

Aloha, Bennett Varney

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We All are hoping for a change, for the Better. Very hopefully to see this benefit us, the people of this state. Thank you

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Legalization is good for everyone involved. If you need to look at any examples take a look at California and Colorado and how it's been positive essential in their communities and economy. It's also beneficial to those who use it medicinally. Hawai'i has had it as a state Regulated medicinal for quite some time. And that is also proof that it's been good for the economy and for those seeking medical relief.

As the tax money for it has been going towards roads and schools etc. It's about time we as Hawai'i step out of the Stone Age and legalize marijuana. We are always a little behind everyone else in the mainland.

But never last.

Which is good because we see how it works do the pros and cons and then jump on board. The same could be said for medicinal marijuana licenses.

Now hopefully we can take the next step. In a positive direction.

Mahalo Nui
Lopaka Rootz

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Not only will it help local businesses or the people but it also can help more people with health issues, for example, people with anxiety, chronic pain or even people with eating disorders. So if we could please legalize cannabis and put restrictions so we don't get out of control, that would be a great step in helping Hawaii grow.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify. Aloha

From: [Malia Ching](mailto:director@808hicia.org)
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Name Michelle Hanna

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I am in **STRONG** support of SB 669 which would legalize cannabis in the state of Hawai'i. As a full time nurse, I have witnessed the benefits of cannabis for a wide spectrum of diseases and conditions. 98% of my patients being elderly, I am here to advocate for them.

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Helps immensely with my chronic back and knee pain, asthma, ulcerative colitis, and my appetite.

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 669, SD 1

TO: Chair Keohokalole, Vice Chair Fukunaga, and CPN Committee Members
Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and WAM Committee Members

FROM: Nikos Leverenz
DPFH Board President

DATE: March 1, 2023 (9:30 AM)

Drug Policy Forum of Hawai'i (DPFH) **strongly supports** SB 669, SD 1, which would legalize, regulate, and tax cannabis and manufactured cannabis products for responsible adult use. It is welcome to see that Hawai'i now has a governor who supports adult-use legalization, which also has longstanding bipartisan support.

This bill could be strengthened by increasing the threshold of personal cannabis possession, transfer, and transport to at least 4 ounces. Existing rights under current laws pertaining to medical cannabis should be grandfathered into a dual-use system. Meaningful employment protections for registered medical cannabis patients and prospective adult-use cannabis consumers would be another salutary amendment.

The blanket prohibition against vaporized cannabis products is unwarranted and precludes a key delivery mechanism for those who are not inclined to smoke cannabis flower or ingest manufactured products like tinctures and edibles. At minimum, vaporized cannabis products through authorized manufacturers could be subject to stricter labeling requirements. Product labeling should also not summarily restrict the usage of color, including shades of green, red, blue, and yellow.

The proposed Hawai'i Cannabis Regulatory Authority (HCRA) would likely be better attached to the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) for administrative purposes. DCCA is better situated to promulgate business regulations and taxation policies to facilitate investment in Hawai'i's emerging adult-use cannabis economic sector.

The Department of Health can continue to play a key role in the state's emerging cannabis economy by (1) ensuring that cannabis flower and manufactured cannabis products for the adult-use market are in compliance with regulations related to testing and labeling, and (2) overseeing the ongoing medical cannabis program and prospective research into the therapeutic potentialities of specific cannabis cultivars.

The prospective HCRA should also provide for adequate representation by those who can provide needed perspectives, including formal representation of patient advocates and Native Hawaiian groups that may include the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and county-specific producer hui that can support the emergence of a thriving craft cannabis sector.

As the Legislature moves forward in its deliberations, it should continue to carefully consider how best to forward social justice measures that ensure meaningful levels of participation in every segment of the emerging adult-use cannabis economy for those who have been marginalized and criminalized through cannabis prohibition and the larger drug war. This may include language directing the HCRA to develop goals and timetables for equitable participation in every segment of the adult-use cannabis sector.

[The current regime of cannabis prohibition deepens the already extensive impact of the criminal legal system on Native Hawaiians](#) and residents from under-resourced communities, including those who are unhoused. Cannabis prohibition lengthens terms of probation or parole apart from a more calibrated determination of increased safety risks to the community. Prolonged periods of probation or parole increase the likelihood of a return to jail or prison at great cost to state taxpayers. [A 2020 report from the Pew Charitable Trusts found that this state has the longest average term of probation at almost five years.](#)

Meaningful social equity centers impacted communities in every stage of production and distribution, from the growth of cannabis plants to the distribution and delivery of cannabis flower and manufactured cannabis products, as well as licensing and the provision of technical assistance. Employment opportunities should be made available to formerly incarcerated persons and those otherwise involved in the criminal legal system. Businesses should be required to develop social responsibility programs that include equity initiatives.

Related to equity concerns, those with retail licenses should be encouraged to formally engage growers and producers in the current legacy market for supplies of cannabis flower and manufactured cannabis products.

The participation of [craft cannabis growers](#)—and businesses owned and operated by Native Hawaiians, women, and other groups underrepresented in other commercial sectors—is a vital way to promote social equity and help Hawai'i develop products that will command a premium in prospective national and international markets. [Interstate cannabis commerce may soon be on the horizon.](#) Craft cannabis growers can be supported by prospective authorization to provide direct-to-consumer on site and delivery sales.

Craft cannabis can also serve as a centerpiece of cannabis tourism in our state. Last year, *Forbes* [valued the cananbis tourism sector at \\$17 billion](#). The availability of legal cannabis products will be attractive to many visitors from domestic and international jurisdictions that do not permit legal adult use. This is currently the case with Hawai'i residents who visit Nevada, every other state with a Pacific coastline, and other states that now include Montana and Missouri.

Social equity also includes baseline statutory provisions providing for the expungement of cannabis-related offenses on a person's criminal records. [Long term arrest data](#) indicate that Native Hawaiians are disproportionately impacted by overcriminalization of cannabis in every county. [A misdemeanor conviction features many "collateral consequences" that impact an individual's ability to obtain employment, housing, and education](#). Adult-use cannabis legalization will curb the negative impact of our state's drug law enforcement on those from Native Hawaiian and under resourced communities.

Recent domestic and international developments in the cannabis industry indicate that a system of workable regulations can provide new opportunities for prospective investors and local business owners to facilitate well-paid regular employment for kama'aina in the production and distribution of a range of quality consumer products. Once established, these businesses can attract an increased level of capital investment that might not otherwise be available to Hawai'i's economy. [Even a smaller state like Alaska, which has a modest adult-use cannabis sector that has been online for three years, now sees \\$25 million in excise tax revenue](#).

While cannabis use is not entirely devoid of individual health risks, its use does not produce the injury, illness, and death resulting from regular or problematic use of alcohol or tobacco, two widely used licit substances that are not included in the federal Controlled Substances Act.

As a general matter, DPFH supports evidence-based education for all persons, from students to seniors, that includes science-based information on alcohol and other drugs and the promotion of resilience through harm reduction.

DPFH also supports policies that would move toward expeditious treatment upon request for those with diagnosed substance use disorders, including alcohol and other drugs, mental health issues, and sufficient numbers of stabilizaiton beds in every county to facilitate a person's engagement in treatment. As noted by the American Public Health Association (APHA):

Public health approaches offer effective, evidence-based responses, but some of the most effective interventions are not currently allowed in the United States

owing to outdated drug laws, attitudes, and stigma. Substance misuse treatment is too often unavailable or unaffordable for the people who want it. A criminal justice response, including requiring arrest to access health services, is ineffective

and leads to other public health problems. (Policy Statement, "[Defining and Implementing a Public Health Response to Drug Use and Misuse.](#)")

DPFH also supports APHA in “ending the criminalization of drugs and drug consumers, prioritizing proven treatment and harm reduction strategies, and expanding (and removing barriers to) treatment and harm reduction services.” (*Id.*)

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this timely reform. Hawai'i can uniquely position itself to participate in an emerging industry that will likely experience protracted growth on a domestic and international basis in the coming years.

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SB-669-SD-1

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Comments:

Aloha,

Below are some comments that I believe can help strengthen this bill, but I'd like to make it clear from the outset that I strongly support SB669. Sensible drug policy, criminal justice and policing reform, promoting business and entrepreneurship, a revenue-generating tax in exchange for something people actually want — these are all solid reasons to support legalization of recreational and responsible cannabis use by adults.

In terms of strengthening this bill, I would first amend the proposed Section A-8, subsection (2) of the proposed Chapter, "Regulation of cannabis; rules." In keeping with the well-intentioned spirit of making cannabis business opportunities accessible, I believe the \$10,000 application fee cap should be lowered. Since the proposal already provides for the ability to raise the fee in case of administrative needs, I propose the cap be lowered significantly, perhaps to \$2,500.

When it comes to employers and the workplace, I suggest amending the proposed §A-10, Effect on employers, specifically subsection (2). If this bill is to make any sense and follow the same logic as its justification, we should not permit unfair discrimination against responsible adults who use cannabis during their time at home. While I understand it may take more specific language and that certain jobs may still mandate a zero-use policy, there are models in other states for legislation that accommodates off-the-job cannabis use, much like laws regarding alcohol consumption.

On a similar note, while separate legislation may be required to fully cover this, §A-11, Effect on intoxicated driving laws, notwithstanding chapter 291E, may be improved if language is included that differentiates between noticeable, current intoxication as opposed to any blood or similar tests. This is a difficult subject to tackle, both legally and scientifically, but it is simply bad policy to allow for persecution based on numbers that may not reflect intoxication at the time of driving and arrest. Such a policy can be easily abused by law enforcement and prosecutors, similar to the way current law enables incursions on privacy based on the pretense of officers simply saying they smell cannabis. This Legislature can look to other jurisdictions that have already addressed such "per se laws" on intoxication.

Lastly, regarding Section 15 of SB669, I hope this language does not preclude steps toward restorative justice such as those admirably laid out in Section 3, which proposes to amend Ch. 706, HRS. The introduction of this bill specifically points to the federal MORE Act, and I think

it would be shameful if Hawai'i's legalization process makes a nod to expungement yet doesn't include efforts to reverse consequences of the failed War on Drugs. Separate orders and proper case prioritization by prosecutors can make a big difference, but our legislative branch, if legalizing cannabis, should make clear that non-violent and low-level crime purely related to cannabis charges are no longer persecuted.

Mahalo,
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Aloha chair Rhoads and Vice-chair Gabbard and members of the Committee,

Thank you for hearing testimony on this important bill. This bill will legalize the personal use of cannabis by allowing patients to possess 30 grams or less, grow six plants, create a regulatory authority, and define the types of licenses.

I live in Honolulu and am in your district, senator Rhoads. I am writing this in strong **opposition** for the following reasons.

I do support the decriminalization of cannabis, and I agree with having retail locations where adults can purchase cannabis.

I do not support the framework that this bill presents.

I am starting with the creation of the Hawaii Cannabis Regulatory Authority. This body is given immense power, and very little oversight from the community is dangerous and will lead to corruption.

I instead recommend the language from Senator Lee's bill. This revision will prevent cronyism. One Person from the public health sector is to be appointed by the DOH, The director of consumer affairs will appoint one Person from the cannabis industry, and One Person to be appointed by the chairperson of the civil rights commission.

One Person to be appointed by the chairperson of the commission on the status of women; One Person to be appointed by the chairperson of the board of trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs; One Person from a nonprofit advocacy organization that focuses on cannabis decriminalization or correctional justice reform to be appointed by the governor. One Person from the public appointed by the governor; and

Two persons from the public, one each to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and president of the senate.

The member representing the public health sector or the public, or the member's immediate family, may not have a financial interest in the cannabis industry or liquor industry.

The bill proposes four types of commercial licenses for cannabis Cultivation, retail, testing, and dual use. I think consideration for consumption, tourism, and delivery should also be considered.

Chapter A-7 Pilot period

This gives our eight dispensary license holders an indefinite hold on our cannabis market. The current license holders have had the market to themselves for long enough. And according to their data, only 25% of patients purchase cannabis from them. Why grant them exclusive control



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over a market? Instead, open it up immediately, allowing people to apply and create more diversity.

Section 9

The fact that you can get a charge for promoting a detrimental drug in the first degree for selling, bartering, or trading an ounce of cannabis is a crime in itself. **Why** is that state criminalizing one group of people for cannabis while rewarding another? It doesn't make sense and is honestly horrific to me.

Taxes, 10% tax to be levied on the consumer and the dispensaries paying no taxes on a product they sell to each other is a double standard.

Thank you,

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Comments:

To the Hawaii State Legislature,

I strongly OPPOSE bill SB 669 Relating to Cannabis.

However, I agree we should release people from Hawaii prisons who are strictly serving time for use of marijuana. Hawaii State should keep use strictly for medicinal purposes only.

My reasons for opposition is as a mother, US Citizen, native Hawaiian, and Hawaii Homeowner.

Consideration needs to be given for those in society who do not smoke nor like the pungent smell or want second hand smoke to effect their employment. I currently have neighbors that enjoy partaking in its consumption, perpetually, and careless about their neighbors but I do not personally agree with it or like the smell coming into my house. It's not something that kids should be used to smelling or seeing people doing as they grow to mimic those around them. Further, although an 18yr old is validated as an adult we know that they are still developing as a young adolescent thru 25yrs old when their brains become fully developed. As such, the impulsive, risk-taking nature that comes with ages 18-25 includes reckless behavior, potential increase in DUIs. Cannabis (Marijuana) use causes memory loss and degradation of IQs in adolescents. This is not the bright, healthy future I want for our youth in this state. We have many degenerate people here living by a moral subjectivism mentality adding to the degradation of moral uprightness and nobility in our culture. Instead of looking at a pure business tax revenue perspective or the money also look at the cause and effect of opening this revolving door in our culture & society. We also know marijuana is a depressant meaning it doesn't inspire people to work hard and get active or be productive. It slows people down physically, mentally and psychologically often causing emotional, mental and eating issues.

To add, the on-going debate and study related to whether marijuana is a gateway drug for other substances. According to NIH National Institute of Drug Abuse, "Some research suggests that marijuana use is likely to precede use of other licit and illicit substances⁴⁵ and the development of addiction to other substances. For instance, a study using longitudinal data from the National Epidemiological Study of Alcohol Use and Related Disorders found that adults who reported marijuana use during the first wave of the survey were more likely than adults who did not use marijuana to develop an alcohol use disorder within 3 years; people who used marijuana and already had an alcohol use disorder at the outset were at greater risk of their alcohol use disorder worsening.⁴⁶ Marijuana use is also linked to other substance use disorders including

nicotine addiction. Early exposure to cannabinoids in adolescent rodents decreases the reactivity of brain dopamine reward centers later in adulthood.⁴⁷ To the extent that these findings generalize to humans, this could help explain the increased vulnerability for addiction to other substances of misuse later in life that most epidemiological studies have reported for people who begin marijuana use early in life.⁴⁸ It is also consistent with animal experiments showing THC's ability to "prime" the brain for enhanced responses to other drugs.⁴⁹ For example, rats previously administered THC show heightened behavioral response not only when further exposed to THC but also when exposed to other drugs such as morphine—a phenomenon called *cross-sensitization*.⁵⁰ These findings are consistent with the idea of marijuana as a "gateway drug." However, the majority of people who use marijuana do not go on to use other, "harder" substances. Also, cross-sensitization is not unique to marijuana. Alcohol and nicotine also prime the brain for a heightened response to other drugs⁵¹ and are, like marijuana, also typically used before a person progresses to other, more harmful substances. It is important to note that other factors besides biological mechanisms, such as a person's social environment, are also critical in a person's risk for drug use. An alternative to the gateway-drug hypothesis is that people who are more vulnerable to drug-taking are simply more likely to start with readily available substances such as marijuana, tobacco, or alcohol, and their subsequent social interactions with others who use drugs increases their chances of trying other drugs."

The bill cited other states that have went ahead and legalized cannabis / marijuana for recreational use but have you done research on the rise of hospitalizations and ER visits or long term impacts of its use and the public studies on how people have committed suicide due to psychosis. One condition coming to the forefront called, Cannabinoid Hyperemesis Syndrome (CHS) which is **a condition that leads to repeated and severe bouts of vomiting**. It is rare and only occurs in daily long-term users of marijuana. Marijuana has several active substances. These include THC and related chemicals. These substances bind to molecules found in the brain.

According to an Observation Study, Acute Illness of Cannabis Use by Route Exposure, from Annals of Internal Medicine, "There were 9973 visits with an ICD-9-CM or ICD-10-CM code for cannabis use. Of these, 2567 (25.7%) visits were at least partially attributable to cannabis, and 238 of those (9.3%) were related to edible cannabis. Visits attributable to inhaled cannabis were more likely to be for cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome (18.0% vs. 8.4%), and visits attributable to edible cannabis were more likely to be due to acute psychiatric symptoms (18.0% vs. 10.9%), intoxication (48% vs. 28%), and cardiovascular symptoms (8.0% vs. 3.1%). Edible products accounted for 10.7% of cannabis-attributable visits between 2014 and 2016 but represented only 0.32% of total cannabis sales in Colorado (in kilograms of tetrahydrocannabinol) during that period.

I wish I had the time to unpack this more but again I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 669.

Respectfully,

Krystal Shon

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