

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2507

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3133
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Human Services and Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 3133 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the Department of Health to conduct fingerprinting and criminal history record checks on applicants who apply for a permit to operate as a hemp processor.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health.

Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals.

Your Committees find that Act 263, Session Laws of 2023, which extended the State's hemp processor law, also amended the minimum application requirements for hemp processor permits to require that applicants provide either a hemp producer license issued by the United States Department of Agriculture or consent to a criminal history record check pursuant to state law. This measure is necessary to authorize the Department of Health to conduct these criminal history record checks for the duration of the hemp processor program.

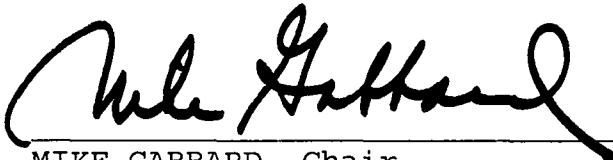


Your Committees have amended this measure by:

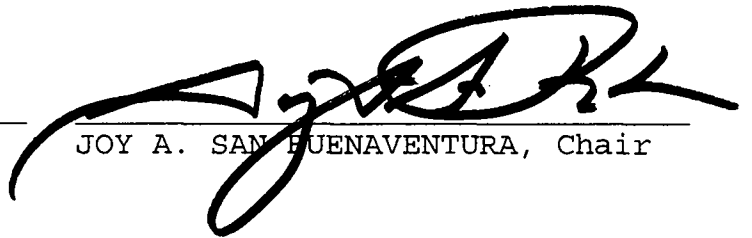
- (1) Clarifying that the Department of Health may conduct criminal history record checks on individual applicants or individuals acting on behalf of applying entities for hemp processor permits;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of December 31, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Human Services and Agriculture and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3133, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3133, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and Human
Services and Agriculture and
Environment,



MIKE GABBARD, Chair



JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



