
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that amendments to the
2 State's medical cannabis dispensary system law are necessary to
3 facilitate the administration of the medical cannabis dispensary
4 program and resolve matters that have arisen since the passage
5 of Act 309, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, and Act 108, Session
6 Laws of Hawaii 2023.

7 The purpose of this Act is to allow medical cannabis
8 dispensaries to purchase cannabis and manufactured cannabis
9 products from other dispensaries without any showing that such
10 purchase is:

- 11 (1) Necessary for a qualifying patient's continuous access
12 for medical use; or
13 (2) For medical, scientific, or other legitimate purposes.

14 SECTION 2. Section 329D-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended by amending subsection (r) to read as follows:

16 "(r) A dispensary may purchase cannabis and manufactured
17 cannabis products from another dispensary. The department [may]
18 shall authorize a dispensary to purchase cannabis and



1 manufactured cannabis products from another dispensary in a
2 manner prescribed by the department by rules adopted pursuant to
3 section 329D-27; provided that:

4 ~~[(1) The purchasing dispensary establishes to the~~
5 ~~department's satisfaction that:~~

6 ~~(A) The purchase is necessary to ensure that~~
7 ~~qualifying patients have continuous access to~~
8 ~~cannabis for medical use; or~~

9 ~~(B) The cannabis and manufactured cannabis products~~
10 ~~are for medical, scientific, or other legitimate~~
11 ~~purposes approved by the State;~~

12 ~~(2)]~~ (1) The selling dispensary may transport ~~[no]~~ not
13 more than eight hundred ounces, or other amounts with
14 prior approval by the department, of cannabis or
15 manufactured cannabis products to the purchasing
16 dispensary within a thirty-day period;

17 ~~[(3)]~~ (2) The cannabis and manufactured cannabis products
18 are transported between the dispensaries for
19 medical ~~[7]~~ sales, scientific ~~[7]~~ use, or other
20 legitimate purposes approved by the State; and



1 [~~(4)~~] (3) Nothing in this subsection shall relieve any
2 dispensary of its responsibilities and obligations
3 under this chapter and chapter 329."

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

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Description:

Authorizes medical cannabis dispensaries to purchase cannabis and manufactured cannabis products from other dispensaries without showing that such purchase is necessary for a qualifying patient's continuous access for medical use, or for medical, scientific, or other legitimate purposes. (CD1)

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