Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 257

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 257 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to preclude controlled substances from being sold on the streets by preventing the improper prescribing and dispensing of pharmaceuticals in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety and Kaiser Permanente.

Your Committee finds that pharmaceutical controlled substances are being fraudulently prescribed by practitioners through the Internet, telephone, and mail without a proper medical reason or examination.

Your Committee intends to accomplish the purpose of this measure by:

- (1) Enabling the Department of Public Safety to bring an administrative action against a controlled substance registrant for violations of Chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) Adding the definition of "bona fide practitioner-patient relationship" to establish minimum guidelines that must

be met prior the administering, prescribing, or dispensing of controlled substances;

- (3) Clarifying the requirements for oral prescriptions issued to a pharmacy and record keeping requirements for all controlled substances;
- (4) Clarifying that it is a violation of state law to presign blank prescriptions to facilitate the fraudulent obtaining of controlled substances; and
- (5) Enabling the Department of Public Safety to conduct administrative inspections of pharmacies and deleting the requirement for administrative inspection warrants.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 257 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health,

DAVID Y. IGE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Health HTH

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)		V			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)		<u> </u>			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.		V			380500050000000000000000000000000000000
MENOR, Ron					
WHALEN, Paul					
TOTAL		4			1
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
Carol Fullmage					
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