STAND. COM. REP. NO. 394

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 5 2013

RE: S.B. No. 689

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 689 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAIN PATIENTS BILL OF RIGHTS," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that the medical use of marijuana is consistent with the Pain Patient's Bill of Rights in chapter 327H, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from The Libertarian Party of Hawaii, Big Island Americans for Safe Access, The Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii, American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii, The Drug Policy Action Group, and thirty-six individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Honolulu Police Department.

Your Committee finds that the Pain Patient's Bill of Rights focuses largely on patient access issues relating to opiate medications. This measure incorporates medical marijuana into the Pain Patient's Bill of Rights and affirms the right of patients to use medical marijuana for pain control.

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. 689 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

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

JOSH GREEN, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

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SB 689	HTH,	JOL	02	13/20	>13
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
GREEN, Josh (C)					
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)		V			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.					V
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		4			1
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Rossly H Bel-					
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