Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 695

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

Madam:

Your Committees on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 695 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP RESEARCH,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow privately funded industrial hemp research to be conducted in Hawaii under certain conditions.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Drug Policy Action Group and one individual. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Public Safety, Honolulu Police Department, and Maui Police Department. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Office of Information Practices.

Your Committees find that Act 305, Session Laws of Hawaii 1999, allowed privately funded industrial hemp research to be conducted in Hawaii subject to certain conditions. Act 305 was allowed to sunset on June 30, 2005. This measure will again allow privately funded industrial hemp research to be conducted in Hawaii under certain conditions. Your Committees find that hemp has been and continues to be used for industrial purposes and that there is a need for hemp research. This measure will be economically beneficial to the State while still providing the necessary security safeguards to prevent the illegal growing of marijuana.

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As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 695 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

WILL ESPERO, Chair

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Record of Votes Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing EGH

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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			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		X						
SLOM, Sam (VC)		X						
BAKER, Rosalyn H.					X.			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne								
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		X						
THIELEN, Laura H.		X						
WAKAI, Glenn		X						
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:								
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Record of Votes Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral: Date: 2-5-2013							
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			
ESPERO, Will (C)								
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)		✓						
GALUTERIA, Brickwood					<i>`</i>			
GREEN, Josh		V						
SLOM, Sam					V			
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted								
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Rosaly H. Ball								
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