# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MARIJUANA.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the regulation of
  medical marijuana is of paramount importance to the health and
  welfare of our citizens. The legislature further finds that Act
- 4 228, Session Laws of Hawaii 2000, was enacted to provide medical
- 5 relief for seriously ill individuals in the State. More
- 6 specifically, that Act protects the health and well-being of
- 7 Hawaii residents by regulating the manner in which qualifying
- 8 medical marijuana patients may cultivate, possess, use, and
- 9 otherwise utilize the substance.
- 10 Because the State did not provide a legal way for
- 11 individuals to obtain medical marijuana other than by growing
- 12 the product themselves or receiving it from authorized
- 13 caregivers, Act 241, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, was enacted to
- 14 establish a system of medical marijuana dispensaries and
- 15 authorize the cultivation, manufacturing, and retail sale of
- 16 this product.

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- 1 The Legislature asserts that continuing to allow qualifying
- 2 medical marijuana patients to grow marijuana at home will
- 3 undermine the dispensary system created through Act 241, Session
- 4 Laws of Hawaii 2015, by obstructing the ability of the State to
- 5 adequately monitor the distribution of this product.
- 6 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to prohibit
- 7 qualifying medical marijuana patients from growing their own
- 8 medical marijuana commencing July 1, 2017, so that they will be
- 9 required to obtain medical marijuana solely through a state-
- 10 licensed dispensary. The legislature declares that in light of
- 11 Act 241, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, the provisions allowing
- 12 qualifying medical marijuana patients to grow their own medical
- 13 marijuana no longer serve a legitimate purpose commencing
- 14 July 1, 2017, since those patients will have access to medical
- 15 marijuana through state-authorized dispensaries.
- 16 SECTION 2. Section 329D-24, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- "[+]\$329D-24[+] Cultivation of medical marijuana by
- 19 qualifying patients and primary caregivers. Nothing in this
- 20 chapter shall be construed as prohibiting a qualifying patient
- 21 or primary caregiver from [cultivating or] possessing an



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1	adequate supply of medical marijuana pursuant to part IX of
2	chapter 329."
3	SECTION 3. Section 329-130, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
5	"(a) [ <del>After December 31, 2018, a</del> ] A qualifying patient
6	shall obtain medical marijuana or manufactured marijuana
7	products only[÷
8	(1) From ] from a dispensary licensed pursuant to chapter
9	329D; provided that the marijuana shall be purchased
10	and paid for at the time of purchase[ ; or
11	(2) By cultivating marijuana in an amount that does not
12	exceed an adequate supply for the qualifying patient,
13	pursuant to section 329-122.
14	After December 31, 2018, no primary caregiver shall be
15	authorized to cultivate marijuana for any qualifying patient]."
16	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
17	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
18	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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### Report Title:

Medical Marijuana; Cultivation; Prohibited Except by Licensees

#### Description:

Prohibits cultivation of medical marijuana by anyone not licensed by the State after 7/1/17.

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