A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 329-104, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) This section shall not prevent the disclosure, at the

discretion of the administrator, of investigative information

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- (1) Law enforcement officers, investigative agents of federal, state, or county law enforcement or regulatory agencies, United States attorneys, county prosecuting attorneys, or the attorney general; provided that the administrator has reasonable grounds to believe that the disclosure of any information collected under this part is in furtherance of an ongoing criminal or regulatory investigation or prosecution;
- (2) Registrants authorized under chapters 448, 453, and
 463E who are registered to administer, prescribe, or
 dispense controlled substances and their practitioner

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1		delegate; provided that the information disclosed
2		relates only to the registrant's own patient;
3	(3)	Pharmacists or pharmacist delegates, employed by a
4		pharmacy registered under section 329-32, who request
5		prescription information about a customer relating to
6		a violation or possible violation of this chapter;
7	(4)	Other state-authorized governmental prescription-
8		monitoring programs;
9	(5)	The chief medical examiner or licensed physician
10		designee who requests information and certifies the
11		request is for the purpose of investigating the death
12		of an individual;
13	(6)	Qualified personnel for the purpose of bona fide
14		research or education; provided that data elements
15		that would reasonably identify a specific recipient,
16		prescriber or dispenser shall be deleted or redacted
17		from the information prior to disclosure; provided
18		further that release of the information may be made
19		only pursuant to a written agreement between qualified
20		personnel and the administrator in order to ensure
21		compliance with this subsection; [and]
22	(7)	Other entities or individuals authorized by the
23		administrator to assist the program with projects that

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1	enhance the electronic prescription accountability
2	system[-]; and
3	(8) Authorized employees of the department of health
4	alcohol and drug abuse division and the emergency
5	medical services and injury prevention system branch.
6	SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
7	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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9	INTRODUCED BY:
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Report Title:

Uniform Controlled Substances Act

Description:

Amends section 329-104(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to allow the Department of Public Safety Narcotics Enforcement Division Administrator to disclose, at his discretion, confidential information from the Electronic Prescription Accountability System, more commonly known as the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, to authorized employees of the Department of Health Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division and the Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention Systems Branch.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Public Safety

TITLE:

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.

PURPOSE:

To allow the Department of Public Safety
Narcotics Enforcement Division Administrator
to disclose, at his discretion, confidential
information from the Electronic Prescription
Accountability System, more commonly known as
the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
(PDMP), to authorized employees of the
Department of Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse
Division and the Emergency Medical Services
and Injury Prevention Systems Branch.

MEANS:

Amend section 329-104(c), Hawaii Revised

Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION:

Proposed amendments to chapter 329 will accomplish the following:

Allow the Department of Public Safety
Narcotics Enforcement Division (NED)
Administrator to disclose, at his discretion,
confidential information from the Electronic
Prescription Accountability System, more
commonly known as the Prescription Drug
Monitoring Program (PDMP), to authorized
employees of the Department of Health Alcohol
and Drug Abuse Division and the Emergency
Medical Services and Injury Prevention Systems
Branch.

Impact on the public: This bill is intended to protect the public by allowing access to authorized employees of the Department of Health, at the discretion of the NED administrator, to obtain and analyze data from the PDMP to reduce addiction, overdose, and death related to the use of opioids.

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Impact on the department and other agencies:
These proposed amendments will aid both the
Department of Public Safety and the Department
of Health in reducing addiction, overdose, and
death related to the use of opioids.

GENERAL FUND:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

None.

PPBS PROGRAM

DESIGNATION:

PSD 502.

OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

Department of Health.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.