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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS.

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

PART I

SECTION 1. Chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to part IX to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§329- Qualifying patients from other states or countries; verification. (a) A person who has been authorized to medically use cannabis under the laws of another:

(1) State shall be recognized as a qualifying patient in this State; or

(2) Country may be recognized as a qualifying patient in this State;

provided that recognition as a qualifying patient in this State shall apply only to a person whose authorization to medically use cannabis in another state or country has been verified in this State.

(b) For purposes of this section, the department:



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1       (1) Shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 relating to  
2       the verification of a patient's authorization to  
3       medically use cannabis under the laws of another  
4       state; and

5       (2) Shall consider and may adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
6       91 relating to the verification of a patient's  
7       authorization to medically use cannabis under the laws  
8       of another country;

9       provided that the rules may authorize a health care provider,  
10      dispensary, or certifying clinic to verify the patient's  
11      authorization; provided further that the department shall  
12      consider, and may require by rule, charging a fee to any person  
13      seeking verification under this section.

14      (c) As used in this section, "another state" includes all  
15      states and territories of the United States and the District of  
16      Columbia."

17      SECTION 2. Chapter 378, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
18      amended by adding a new section to part III to be appropriately  
19      designated and to read as follows:

20      "§378- Unlawful discharge; medical cannabis qualifying  
21      patient; medical use of cannabis. Notwithstanding any other law



1 to the contrary, it shall be unlawful for any employer to  
2 discharge any of the employer's employees solely because the  
3 employee:

4       (1) Is a qualifying patient, as defined in section 329-  
5           121; or

6       (2) Is a qualifying patient, as defined in section  
7           329-121, and tested positive for the presence of  
8           cannabis or related metabolites in any substance use  
9           test."

10       SECTION 3. Section 329-121, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended by amending the definition of "debilitating medical  
12 condition" to read as follows:

13       ""Debilitating medical condition" means:

14       (1) Cancer, glaucoma, lupus, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis,  
15           rheumatoid arthritis, positive status for human  
16           immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune deficiency  
17           syndrome, or the treatment of these conditions;

18       (2) A chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition  
19           or its treatment that produces one or more of the  
20           following:

21           (A) Cachexia or wasting syndrome;



(B) Severe pain;

(C) Severe nausea;

(D) Seizures, including those characteristic of epilepsy;

(E) Severe and persistent muscle spasms, including those characteristic of multiple sclerosis or Crohn's disease; or

(F) Post-traumatic stress disorder; [ex]

(3) Substance use disorder; or

~~[(3)]~~ (4) Any other medical condition approved by the department of health pursuant to administrative rules in response to a request from a physician or advanced practice registered nurse or potentially qualifying patient."

SECTION 4. Section 329-122, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) For the purposes of this section, "transport" means the transportation of cannabis, usable cannabis, or any manufactured cannabis product between:

(1) A qualifying patient and the qualifying patient's primary caregiver;



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- 1           (2) The production centers and the retail dispensing  
2           locations under a dispensary licensee's license; or  
3           (3) A production center, retail dispensing location,  
4           qualifying patient, or primary caregiver and a  
5           [~~certified~~] laboratory for the purpose of laboratory  
6           testing; provided that a qualifying patient or primary  
7           caregiver may only transport up to one gram of  
8           cannabis per test to a [~~certified~~] laboratory for  
9           laboratory testing and may only transport the product  
10          if the qualifying patient or primary caregiver:  
11          (A) Secures an appointment for testing at a  
12             [~~certified~~] laboratory;  
13          (B) Obtains confirmation, which may be electronic,  
14             that includes the specific time and date of the  
15             appointment and a detailed description of the  
16             product and amount to be transported to the  
17             [~~certified~~] laboratory for the appointment; and  
18          (C) Has the confirmation, which may be electronic,  
19             available during transport.

20          For purposes of interisland transportation, "transport" of  
21          cannabis, usable cannabis, or any manufactured cannabis



1 product[7] by any means is allowable only by a qualifying  
2 patient or primary caregiver or between a production center or  
3 retail dispensing location and a [eertified] laboratory for the  
4 sole purpose of laboratory testing pursuant to section 329D-8,  
5 as permitted under section 329D-6(m) and subject to section  
6 329D-6(j) [~~, and with the understanding that state law and its~~  
7 ~~protections do not apply outside of the jurisdictional limits of~~  
8 ~~the State. Allowable transport pursuant to this section does~~  
9 ~~not include interisland transportation by any means or for any~~  
10 ~~purpose between a qualified patient or primary caregiver and any~~  
11 ~~other entity or individual, including an individual who is a~~  
12 ~~qualified patient or primary caregiver.]; provided that nothing  
13 in this section shall be construed as applying state law and its  
14 protections outside of the jurisdictional limits of the State."~~

15 SECTION 5. Section 329-129, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 "[+]§329-129[+] **Prohibited acts; flammable solvents[+];**  
18 **volatilization devices.** (a) No qualifying patient or primary  
19 caregiver shall use butane to extract tetrahydrocannabinol from  
20 cannabis plants.



1        (b) No qualifying patient shall utilize a portable or  
2 hand-held volatilization device to use cannabis; provided that  
3 this subsection shall not apply to a medical-grade  
4 volatilization device that is designed to remain stationary  
5 while in or out of use.

6        ~~[(b)]~~ (c) Any person who violates ~~[this section]~~  
7 subsection (a) shall be guilty of a class C felony."

8        SECTION 6. Section 329D-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10        "**§329D-7 Medical cannabis dispensary rules.** The  
11 department shall establish standards with respect to:

12        (1) The number of medical cannabis dispensaries that shall  
13 be permitted to operate in the State;

14        (2) A fee structure for the submission of applications and  
15 renewals of licenses to dispensaries; provided that  
16 the department shall consider the market conditions in  
17 each county in determining the license renewal fee  
18 amounts;

19        (3) Criteria and procedures for the consideration and  
20 selection, based on merit, of applications for



1 licensure of dispensaries; provided that the criteria  
2 shall include but not be limited to an applicant's:

3 (A) Ability to operate a business;

4 (B) Financial stability and access to financial  
5 resources; provided that applicants for medical  
6 cannabis dispensary licenses shall provide  
7 documentation that demonstrates control of not  
8 less than \$1,000,000 in the form of escrow  
9 accounts, letters of credit, surety bonds, bank  
10 statements, lines of credit or the equivalent to  
11 begin operating the dispensary;

12 (C) Ability to comply with the security requirements  
13 developed pursuant to paragraph (6);

14 (D) Capacity to meet the needs of qualifying  
15 patients;

16 (E) Ability to comply with criminal background check  
17 requirements developed pursuant to paragraph (8);  
18 and

19 (F) Ability to comply with inventory controls  
20 developed pursuant to paragraph (13);





1       (4) Specific requirements regarding annual audits and  
2           reports required from each production center and  
3           dispensary licensed pursuant to this chapter;

4       (5) Procedures for announced and unannounced inspections  
5           by the department or its agents of production centers  
6           and dispensaries licensed pursuant to this chapter;  
7           provided that inspections for license renewals shall  
8           be unannounced;

9       (6) Security requirements for the operation of production  
10          centers and retail dispensing locations; provided  
11          that, at a minimum, the following shall be required:

12       (A) For production centers:

13           (i) Video monitoring and recording of the  
14               premises; provided that recordings shall be  
15               retained for fifty days;

16           (ii) Fencing that surrounds the premises and that  
17               is sufficient to reasonably deter intruders  
18               and prevent anyone outside the premises from  
19               viewing any cannabis in any form;

20           (iii) An alarm system; and



(iv) Other reasonable security measures to deter or prevent intruders, as deemed necessary by the department;

(B) For retail dispensing locations:

(i) Presentation of a valid government-issued photo identification and a valid identification as issued by the department pursuant to section 329-123, by a qualifying patient or caregiver, upon entering the premises;

(ii) Video monitoring and recording of the premises; provided that recordings shall be retained for fifty days;

(iii) An alarm system;

(iv) Exterior lighting; and

(v) Other reasonable security measures as deemed necessary by the department;

(7) Security requirements for the transportation of cannabis and manufactured cannabis products between production centers and retail dispensing locations and between a production center, retail dispensing



1 location, qualifying patient, or primary caregiver and  
2 a [~~certified~~] laboratory, pursuant to section 329-  
3 122(d);

4 (8) Standards and criminal background checks to ensure the  
5 reputable and responsible character and fitness of all  
6 license applicants, licensees, employees,  
7 subcontractors and their employees, and prospective  
8 employees of medical cannabis dispensaries to operate  
9 a dispensary; provided that the standards, at a  
10 minimum, shall exclude from licensure or employment  
11 any person convicted of any felony;

12 (9) The training and certification of operators and  
13 employees of production centers and dispensaries;

14 (10) The types of manufactured cannabis products that  
15 dispensaries shall be authorized to manufacture and  
16 sell pursuant to sections 329D-9 and 329D-10;

17 (11) Laboratory standards related to testing cannabis and  
18 manufactured cannabis products for content,  
19 contamination, and consistency;

20 (12) The quantities of cannabis and manufactured cannabis  
21 products that a dispensary may sell or provide to a



1           qualifying patient or primary caregiver; provided that  
2           no dispensary shall sell or provide to a qualifying  
3           patient or primary caregiver any combination of  
4           cannabis and manufactured products that:

5           (A)   During a period of fifteen consecutive days,  
6                   exceeds the equivalent of four ounces of  
7                   cannabis; or

8           (B)   During a period of thirty consecutive days,  
9                   exceeds the equivalent of eight ounces of  
10                  cannabis;

11       (13)   Dispensary and production center inventory controls to  
12           prevent the unauthorized diversion of cannabis or  
13           manufactured cannabis products or the distribution of  
14           cannabis or manufactured cannabis products to  
15           qualifying patients or primary caregivers in  
16           quantities that exceed limits established by this  
17           chapter; provided that the controls, at a minimum,  
18           shall include:

19           (A)   A computer software tracking system as specified  
20                  in section 329D-6(j) and (k); and



1 (B) Product packaging standards sufficient to allow  
2 law enforcement personnel to reasonably determine  
3 the contents of an unopened package;

4 (14) Limitation to the size or format of signs placed  
5 outside a retail dispensing location or production  
6 center; provided that the signage limitations, at a  
7 minimum, shall comply with section 329D-6(o)(2) and  
8 shall not include the image of a cartoon character or  
9 other design intended to appeal to children;

10 (15) The disposal or destruction of unwanted or unused  
11 cannabis and manufactured cannabis products;

12 (16) The enforcement of the following prohibitions against:

13 (A) The sale or provision of cannabis or manufactured  
14 cannabis products to unauthorized persons;

15 (B) The sale or provision of cannabis or manufactured  
16 cannabis products to qualifying patients or  
17 primary caregivers in quantities that exceed  
18 limits established by this chapter;

19 (C) Any use or consumption of cannabis or  
20 manufactured cannabis products on the premises of



1 a retail dispensing location or production  
2 center; and

3 (D) The distribution of cannabis or manufactured  
4 cannabis products, for free, on the premises of a  
5 retail dispensing location or production center;  
6 and

7 (17) The establishment of a range of penalties for  
8 violations of this chapter or rule adopted thereto[+  
9 and

10 ~~(18) A process to recognize and register patients who are~~  
11 ~~authorized to purchase, possess, and use medical~~  
12 ~~cannabis in another state, United States territory, or~~  
13 ~~the District of Columbia as qualifying patients in~~  
14 ~~this State; provided that this registration process~~  
15 ~~may commence no sooner than January 1, 2018]."~~

16 SECTION 7. Section 329D-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 "§329D-8 Laboratory standards and testing; laboratory  
19 certification. (a) The department shall establish and enforce  
20 standards for laboratory-based testing of cannabis and  
21 manufactured cannabis products for content, contamination, and



1 consistency; provided that in establishing these standards, the  
2 department shall:

3 (1) Review and take guidance from the testing programs and  
4 standards utilized in other jurisdictions;

5 (2) Consider the impact of the standards on the retail  
6 cost of the product to the qualifying patient;

7 (3) Review and take guidance from the testing programs and  
8 standards for pesticides under the regulations of the  
9 United States Environmental Protection Agency;

10 (4) For the testing for microbiological impurities,  
11 consider the benefits of organically grown cannabis  
12 that features the use of bacteria in lieu of  
13 pesticides; and

14 (5) Include permission for qualifying patients and primary  
15 caregivers to obtain testing services directly from  
16 [certified] laboratories on the island where the  
17 qualifying patient and primary caregiver reside.

18 (b) The department may certify but shall not require the  
19 certification of laboratories that can test cannabis and  
20 manufactured cannabis products prior to the sale of cannabis and  
21 manufactured cannabis products."



SECTION 8. Section 329D-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) The types of medical cannabis products that may be manufactured and distributed pursuant to this chapter shall be limited to:

(1) Capsules;

(2) Lozenges;

(3) Pills;

(4) Oils and oil extracts;

(5) Tinctures;

(6) Ointments and skin lotions;

(7) Cannabinoid suppositories;

~~[(7)]~~ (8) Transdermal [patches,] devices;

~~[(8)]~~ (9) Pre-filled and sealed containers used to

aerosolize and deliver cannabis orally, such as with

an inhaler or nebulizer; and

~~[(9)]~~ (10) Other products as specified by the department."

SECTION 9. Section 386-21.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:

"(f) For purposes of this section~~[, "equivalent"]~~:





1       "Equivalent generic drug product" has the same meaning as  
2 provided in section 328-91.

3       "Prescription drugs" shall include cannabis that is  
4 available to a qualifying patient, as defined in section  
5 329-121."

6       SECTION 10. Section 329D-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

8       "(b) This section shall not apply to:

9       (1) Qualifying patients and their primary caregivers who  
10 enter or remain on the premises of a retail dispensing  
11 location for the purpose of a transaction conducted  
12 pursuant to sections 329D-6 and 329D-13; or

13       (2) Government officials and employees acting in an  
14 official capacity and employees of a [eertified]  
15 laboratory who enter or remain on the premises of a  
16 retail dispensing location or production center for  
17 any purpose authorized by this chapter."

18       SECTION 11. Section 489-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
19 amended by amending the definition of "disability" to read as  
20 follows:



1        ""Disability" means the state of having a physical or  
2        mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major  
3        life activities, having a record of [~~such-an~~] the impairment, or  
4        being regarded as having [~~such-an~~] the impairment. The term  
5        does not include alcohol or drug use that impairs a person's  
6        activities or threatens the property or safety of others[-];  
7        provided that this sentence shall not prohibit the medical use  
8        of cannabis, by means other than smoking, by a qualifying  
9        patient, as defined in section 329-121."

10       SECTION 12. Section 489-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11       amended to read as follows:

12        **"§489-3 Discriminatory practices prohibition.** Unfair  
13        discriminatory practices that deny, or attempt to deny, a person  
14        the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities,  
15        privileges, advantages, and accommodations of a place of public  
16        accommodation on the basis of race, sex, including gender  
17        identity or expression, sexual orientation, color, religion,  
18        ancestry, [~~ex~~] disability, or medical use of cannabis as allowed  
19        by law are prohibited."

20       SECTION 13. The department of health shall collaborate  
21       with all stakeholders to increase and strengthen public



1 information and education regarding medical cannabis, as  
2 determined by the department; provided that these efforts shall  
3 address public safety concerns and shall include, at a minimum:

4 (1) Collaboration with the department of transportation,  
5 the department of public safety, and other law  
6 enforcement agencies regarding:

7 (A) Effective and efficient training methods for law  
8 enforcement personnel to detect and quantify  
9 impairment of a motor vehicle operator who is  
10 under the influence of cannabis; and

11 (B) Training and support for law enforcement  
12 personnel and prosecutors to pursue criminal  
13 cases using available evidence; and

14 (2) The production of educational materials regarding  
15 personal responsibility and public safety, which  
16 medical cannabis dispensaries licensed by the State  
17 pursuant to chapter 329D, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
18 shall be required to distribute to their clients.

19 SECTION 14. There is appropriated out of the general  
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much



1    thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the  
2    purposes of this Act.

3            The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
4    health for the purposes of section 13 of this Act.

5            SECTION 15. The department of health shall review its  
6    existing administrative rules that are applicable to its duties  
7    and responsibilities relating to medical cannabis and, to the  
8    extent necessary, shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91,  
9    Hawaii Revised Statutes, to provide a reasonable accommodation  
10   for the registration of prospective qualifying patients, as  
11   defined in section 392-121, Hawaii Revised Statutes, who lack  
12   proof of identification.

13           SECTION 16. The department of health shall evaluate the  
14   potential inclusion of medical cannabis-infused foods among the  
15   types of manufactured cannabis products that are authorized  
16   pursuant to section 329D-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and shall  
17   provide a report of its findings and recommendations, including  
18   any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than  
19   twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of  
20   2019.



1       SECTION 17. The Hawaii public housing authority shall  
2 provide guidance to the department of health and the medical  
3 cannabis legislative oversight working group established  
4 pursuant to Act 230, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, regarding the  
5 memorandum dated January 20, 2011, from the United States  
6 Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding the  
7 medical use of [cannabis] and reasonable accommodation in  
8 federal public and assisted housing.

9       SECTION 18. (a) There is established within the public  
10 policy center in the college of social sciences at the  
11 University of Hawaii at Manoa for administrative purposes a  
12 legislative working group to evaluate the need for medical  
13 cannabis production or other non-retail dispensary licenses and  
14 requirements for issuing those licenses.

15       (b) The working group shall include the following members:

16       (1) The director of business, economic development, and  
17       tourism, or the director's designee, who shall serve  
18       as chairperson;

19       (2) The dean and director of the University of Hawaii  
20       college of tropical agriculture and human resources,  
21       or the dean and director's designee;



(3) The attorney general or the attorney general's  
designee;

(4) A member of the senate, who shall be designated by the  
president of the senate; and

(5) A member of the house of representatives, who shall be  
designated by the speaker of the house of  
representatives.

A farmer, who may be a licensee under section 329D, Hawaii  
Revised Statutes, shall also be invited to be a member of the  
working group.

(c) The working group shall submit a report of its  
findings and recommendations, including any proposed  
legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior  
to the convening of the regular session of 2019.

(d) The members of the working group shall serve without  
compensation.

(e) The working group shall cease to exist on June 30,  
2019.

## PART II

SECTION 19. The legislature finds that, currently, a  
person relying upon a civil identification card as proof of



1 identification to register with the department of health as a  
2 qualifying patient under part IX of chapter 329, Hawaii Revised  
3 Statutes, must first apply for the card in person and wait until  
4 the card is actually issued. This can result in delaying the  
5 ability of a person experiencing a debilitating medical  
6 condition from benefiting from the medical use of cannabis.

7 Accordingly, the purpose of this part is to:

- 8 (1) Authorize an adult to apply by mail for the issuance  
9 or renewal of a civil identification card;
- 10 (2) Provide that a receipt issued for an application by  
11 mail by an applicant with a qualifying physical or  
12 mental disability for a civil identification card may  
13 serve as identification for purposes of registering as  
14 a qualifying patient; and
- 15 (3) Require the department of transportation to evaluate  
16 potential ways to streamline the process of renewing a  
17 civil identification card for an eligible applicant  
18 who is bedridden or otherwise severely disabled, and  
19 to adopt applicable rules as necessary.

20 SECTION 20. Section 286-303, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:



1       "(a) Application for the identification card shall be made  
2 in person ~~[by any adult or minor.]~~; provided that any adult may  
3 submit an application by mail. The minimum age for minors to  
4 obtain an identification card shall be ten years of age. In the  
5 case of a minor under the age of fourteen years, the application  
6 shall be made on the minor's behalf by the parent, or by another  
7 individual in loco parentis of the minor who can provide proof  
8 of guardianship. In the case of an incompetent individual, the  
9 application shall be made by the individual having the custody  
10 or control of or maintaining the incompetent individual.

11       (b) Application for renewal of an identification card  
12 issued after November 1, ~~[1998, for an individual eighty years~~  
13 ~~of age or older]~~ 2018, may be done by mailing in a completed  
14 application and fee~~[, if there is]~~; provided there has been no  
15 change ~~[in]~~ to the applicant's name [and] or citizenship  
16 status~~[. The director shall adopt rules to allow for renewal by~~  
17 ~~mail for individuals with physical or intellectual disabilities~~  
18 ~~for whom application in person presents a serious burden.]~~;  
19 provided further that this subsection shall apply to the renewal  
20 of identification cards that are valid or that expired no longer





1 than two years prior to the postmark date of the application for  
2 renewal."

3 SECTION 21. Section 329-123, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

5 "(b) Qualifying patients shall register with the  
6 department of health. The registration shall be effective until  
7 the expiration of the certificate issued by the department of  
8 health and signed by the physician or advanced practice  
9 registered nurse. Every qualifying patient shall provide  
10 sufficient identifying information to establish the personal  
11 identities of the qualifying patient and the primary caregiver.  
12 Qualifying patients shall report changes in information within  
13 ten working days[-]; provided that a receipt issued for  
14 submission of an application by mail for renewal of a civil  
15 identification card for a person with a qualifying physical or  
16 mental disability, pursuant to applicable rules adopted pursuant  
17 to chapter 91, shall be an acceptable form of identification for  
18 the purpose of registering as a qualifying patient; provided  
19 further that the department may adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
20 91 to provide for the registration of a qualifying patient who  
21 lacks identification. Every qualifying patient shall have only



1 one primary caregiver at any given time. The department of  
2 health shall issue to the qualifying patient a registration  
3 certificate, and shall charge \$35 per year."

4 SECTION 22. The department of transportation shall review  
5 its existing administrative rules that are applicable to its  
6 duties and responsibilities relating to civil identification  
7 cards and, to the extent necessary, shall adopt rules pursuant  
8 to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to streamline the  
9 process of renewing a state civil identification card for an  
10 eligible applicant who is bedridden or otherwise severely  
11 disabled.

12 PART III

13 SECTION 23. This Act does not affect rights and duties  
14 that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that  
15 were begun before its effective date.

16 SECTION 24. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 25. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Cannabis; Medical Use; Dispensaries; Transportation; Protections; Prohibitions; DOH; DOT; HPHA; Rules; Appropriation

**Description:**

Authorizes the recognition of persons from other states or countries as qualifying patients for medical cannabis use in this State. Prohibits the discharge of an employee solely for being a qualifying patient or testing positive for cannabis use. Adds substance use disorder to the medical conditions that may qualify a patient to use medical cannabis. Authorizes a qualifying patient or primary caregiver to transport cannabis between islands of the State. Prohibits utilization of a portable volatilization device to medically use cannabis. Authorizes utilization of a stationary volatilization device to medically use cannabis. Authorizes laboratories other than certified laboratories to test cannabis or cannabis products. Authorizes the manufacture and distribution of cannabinoid suppositories as manufactured medical cannabis products. Includes cannabis as a prescription drug that an employer may be required to furnish to an injured employee as workers' compensation. Provides that a qualifying patient shall not be prohibited from using medical cannabis, in a way other than smoking, in a place of public accommodation. Requires public education and collaboration regarding public safety concerns and related training of law enforcement agencies. Appropriates funds. Requires the Department of Health and the Department of Transportation to review and, as necessary, adopt various rules. Requires the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to provide guidance regarding federal regulations pertaining to medical use of cannabis on federally subsidized housing properties. Establishes a working group. Authorizes an adult to apply by mail for the issuance or renewal of a civil identification card. Provides that a receipt for submission of an application by mail for renewal of a civil identification card shall be an acceptable form of identification for the purpose of registering as a qualifying patient.

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