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URGING THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE TO ALLOW INJURED PLAYERS TO USE

Measure Title: CANNABIDIOL IN PILL OR LIQUID FORM, IN LIEU OF OPIOIDS, TO ADDRESS THE PAIN

FROM THEIR WORK-RELATED INJURIES.

Report Title: National Football League; Cannabidiol in Pill or Liquid Form; Pain from Injuries

Description: Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: LBR/ETT, CPH

Introducer(s): ESPERO, S. Chang, Galuteria, Ihara, Keith-Agaran, Nishihara, Shimabukuro, Wakai

Sort by Date		Status Text
3/1/2018	S	Offered.
3/1/2018	S	Referred to LBR/ETT, CPH.
3/20/2018	S	The committee(s) on LBR/ETT added the measure to the public hearing scheduled on 03-22-18 3:00PM in conference room 229.

 ${\bf S}=$ Senate | ${\bf H}=$ House | ${\bf D}=$ Data Systems | ${\bf S}=$ Appropriation measure | ${\bf ConAm}=$ Constitutional Amendment

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Testimony for LBR on 3/22/2018 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:



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Submitted on: 3/22/2018 9:50:37 AM

Testimony for LBR on 3/22/2018 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Carl Bergquist	Testifying for Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

The Drug Policy Forum of Hawai'i supports this resolution urging the National Football League (NFL) to allow players to use cannabidiol (CBD) products, in lieu of prescription opioids, to treat chronic pain. We would, however, not limit the treatment to pure CBD, but in the 28 states and the District of Columbia where it is legal, expand it to whichever form of medical cannabis works best for the individuals patient. This determination would be made by the patient in consultation with e.g. a caregiver or a medical cannabis dispensary.

Further, we hope that the legislature as it deliberates reforms to Hawai'i's own medical cannabis programs will specifically pass a measure linking the fight against the opioid epidemic to medical cannabis. It is incongruent for our state to uphold the virtues and legality of medical cannabis yet not specifically deploy it to combat the overuse of opioids. We hope that the spirit, if not the letter, of <u>SB2407 SD1</u>, will makes it way into the medical cannabis omnibus bill, <u>HB2729</u>.