STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2702**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 1 3 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2772 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2020 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2772 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to update the definition of "usable cannabis" to mean the dried leaves and flowers of a plant from the genus Cannabis.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; Kush Hawaii; We are One, Inc.; The Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii; and four individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Akamai Cannabis Clinic.

Your Committee finds that the State exercised its authority to decide the medical use of controlled substances in 2000 when it created a state-regulated medical use of cannabis program. Since then, improvements to the program have helped to clarify its original intent to ensure safe and legal access to medical cannabis to qualified patients. Therefore, it is necessary to update the definition of "usable cannabis" to ensure that a qualified patient can decide what constitutes the usable materials for the patient's preferred form of cannabis medicine.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying the definition of "usable cannabis" to allow a qualified patient to designate the necessary form of cannabis for medical use.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2772, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2772, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health CPH

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:	
582772	CPH, JDC			1/31/20	
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
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)		✓			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)		✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		V			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		V			
THIELEN, Laura H.					
WAKAI, Glenn					
FEVELLA, Kurt		/			
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
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