STAND. COM. REP. NO. 347

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 05 , 2021

RE: H.B. No. 542

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Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 542 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to remove the prescription drug Epidiolex and approved generic versions of that drug that contain cannabidiol derived from cannabis and no more than 0.1 percent (w/w) residual tetrahydrocannabinols from schedule V of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Greenwich Biosciences and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-334), modified the regulatory controls over cannabis, tetrahydrocannabinols, and other cannabis-related constituents in the federal Controlled Substances Act. In April 2020, the United States Drug Enforcement Agency notified the manufacturer of Epidiolex of its removal from the federal schedule V and officially removed its designation through an interim final rule issued in August 2020. This measure is necessary to conform the Uniform Controlled Substances Act with

the federal treatment of Epidiolex and approved generic versions of that drug.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 542, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 542, H.D. 1.

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

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 542	Committee Referral: JHA, CPC	Date:	Date: 2 25 21		
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (C)					
2. KITAGAWA, Lisa (VC)					
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.					
4. HAR, Sharon E.					
5. HASHEM, Mark J.					
6. KONG, Sam Satoru				, _	
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8. MORIKAWA, Dee					
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10. TARNAS, David A.					
11. MATSUMOTO, Lauren					
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The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted					
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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