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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 147 and HOUSE RESOLUTION 147

REQUESTING THAT THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION ASSIST THE HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WITH OBTAINING A FEDERAL EXEMPTION FOR THE STATE AUTHORIZED USE OF CANNABIS IN HAWAII

By

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House Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness Representative Ryan I. Yamane, Chair Representative Adrian K. Tam, Vice Chair

> Tuesday, March 29, 2022; 10:00 PM State Capitol, Room 329 & Videoconference

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **SUPPORT** of this measure.

This resolution is very important because it allows the Legislature to continue to express its will to end the ongoing conflict with the federal regulation of marijuana.

Please consider the following non-substantive changes for clarity:

WHEREAS, states have reserved the authority to decide how cannabis is regulated within the state, and the ongoing <u>annual</u> federal appropriations <u>rider</u> <u>provision</u>, <u>previously</u> known as the Rohrabacher-Farr Amendment, prevents the Department of Justice and the Drug Enforcement Administration from using resources to interfere with state medical cannabis programs; now, therefore,

Aloha.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

It is still a Drug!!!