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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Tuesday, February 17, 2026  
TIME: 2:00 PM  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 325  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

The purpose of this informational briefing is to learn from experts about the current regulatory framework and industry trends in Hawai'i for medical cannabis and hemp, as well as best practices for managing these industries that protect public safety and public health, and support a viable and well-regulated industry that successfully attracts consumers and suppliers away from the illegal and unregulated market. The briefing will also address the need for a robust public health campaign to prevent cannabis use by those under 21 and prevent impaired drivers from operating a vehicle while under the influence of cannabis.

Schedule with Presenters

2:00 PM – 3:15 PM

- **Office of Medical Cannabis Control and Regulation**, Department of Health – Chief Andrew Goff and Epidemiologist Linh-Vi Le
- **Department of the Attorney General** – Alana Bryant, Deputy Attorney General and Thomas Alipio, Investigation Division's Chief Special Agent
- **Sergeant Thomas Koyanagi** – Area II Commander Traffic Enforcement Unit (TEU) and Drug Recognition Expert Instructor and Agency DRE Coordinator, Hawaii Island Police Department
- **Artemio Tulio** – Hemp Program Specialist, Department of Agriculture & Biosecurity



- **T.Y. Cheng** – President & Owner, Aloha Green Apothecary
- **Judiah McRoberts** – President, Kauai Hemp Company

3:15 PM – 4:00 PM

**Questions from Members of the Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs Committee**

This meeting is open to the public, no public testimony will be accepted.

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Rep. David A. Tarnas  
Chair

