**ACT 237** 

H.B. 627.

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Planting or Cultivation of Certain Narcotic Drugs, and Amending Sections 52-14 and 52-24 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as Amended.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 52-14 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 52-14. No person shall knowingly plant, cultivate, produce, manufacture, possess, have under his control, prescribe, administer or compound any narcotic drug as defined by section 52-10, except as provided in this part. Any person found guilty of any of the foregoing acts shall be imprisoned at hard labor not more than five years for the first offense and imprisoned at hard labor not more than ten years for any subsequent offense."

SECTION 2. Section 52-24 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 52-24. Nothing in this part shall apply to the planting, cultivation, production, manufacture, possession, control and sale for medicinal and scientific purposes, by producers, manufacturers, wholesalers and apothecaries, or to the administering, dispensing, prescribing, compounding and use, for medicinal and scientific purposes, by physicians, dentists, podiatrists, veterinarians and practitioners; and provided, further, that this part shall not apply to preparations produced, manufactured, possessed, controlled, sold, prescribed, administered, dispensed, compounded, or used in good faith for medicinal and scientific purposes, which do not contain more than one-half grain of the extract of cannabis sativa, marihuana or of any other derivative or preparation of cannabis sativa or marihuana, of any greater pharmacologic potency, in one fluid ounce, or, if a solid or semi-solid preparation, in one avoirdupois ounce, or to liniments, ointments or other preparations containing cannabis sativa, marihuana or derivatives thereof, which are prepared for external use and susceptible of such use alone. Nothing in this part shall apply to any person in valid possession of a valid license issued by the department of health, to traffic in marihuana."

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 6, 1967.)