

## **Akamai Cannabis Clinic**

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The Honorable Jarrett Keohokalole Hawaii State Capitol, Room 203 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

## **CANNABIS CORRUPTION**

Dear Senator Keohokalole,

I thought you would appreciate seeing a <u>report</u> on Cannabis Cronyism that was just released by the Government Accountability Institute.

This report highlights the level of corruption that is ubiquitous within an "industry" that is built upon the assumption that it violates federal law. Here is even more reason why Hawaii needs to do something about the existing conflict with the federal regulation of marijuana.

The U.S. Constitution protects Hawaii's authority to decide how controlled substances are used within the state, and the Hawaii <u>Oath of Office</u> supports protecting that authority.

If the Legislature is unwilling to consider federal exemption bills this Session because of a concern that the Governor will not do his part to protect the state authorized use of cannabis in Hawaii, then I hope that it will at least entertain Resolutions that can express the will of the Legislature to resolve this unnecessary conflict.

Time is running out. Waiting for the federal government to fix a conflict that the State created will only weaken Hawaii's ability to decide how controlled substances are used within the state in the future.

Thank you for your attention to this pressing matter.

Aloha.

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