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The Honorable Karl Rhoads Hawaii State Capitol, Room 204 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

REQUEST FOR PROPOSED SD2 ON SB1333 SD1

Dear Senator Rhoads,

Could you please consider delaying decision making on SB1333 SD1, scheduled for Wednesday, February 17 at 10:00 am, so that a Proposed SD2 can be issued with a much-needed substantiative change.

<u>SB1333 SD1</u> is important because it maintains harmony between the state and federal regulation of controlled substances, namely FDA-approved cannabidiol drug products in this case.

However, similar harmonization is also necessary between the federal regulation of marijuana and the state authorized use of cannabis for medical purposes in Hawaii, which has been allowed to remain in conflict for over twenty years.

Resolution of this conflict can be achieved by the amendment that is proposed in my written testimony for this measure.

Thank you for considering this request.

Aloha,

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