A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. Section 329-121, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the definition of "debilitating medical condition" to read as follows:

"Debilitating medical condition" means:

(1) Cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or the treatment of these conditions;

(2) A chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or its treatment that produces one or more of the following:

(A) Cachexia or wasting syndrome;

(B) Severe pain;

(C) Severe nausea;

(D) Seizures, including those characteristic of epilepsy; or
(E) Severe and persistent muscle spasms, including those characteristic of multiple sclerosis or Crohn's disease; [or]

(3) Any other medical condition:

(A) [approved] Approved by the department of health pursuant to administrative rules in response to a request from a physician or potentially qualifying patient[; or]

(B) For which medical use of marijuana has been recommended by a physician who has determined that a patient's health would benefit from the use of marijuana."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:
Marijuana; Medical Use; Debilitating Medical Conditions; Physician Recommendations

Description:
Provides that a physician may determine what medical condition qualifies a patient to use medical marijuana.

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