

**MEDICAL MARIJUANA LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT WORKING GROUP**  
**ACT 230, HB 2707, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2016**

**Potential Subcommittee Topics for Prioritization**

**1. Patient Issues**

**Speeding up/improving the patient application and certification process;  
Prioritizing the most needy;  
Reviewing and/or updating the qualifying conditions;  
Patient comfort & safety in the dispensaries (physical design)**

**2. Caregiver Issues**

**Need to revisit/amend 2018 caregiver cultivation prohibition;  
Understanding and developing recommendations around “card stacking”**

**3. Education**

**Physician/APRN education;  
Patient education;  
Industry training for staff employed by dispensaries;  
General public education;  
Identify partnerships (ie. Cancer Consortium, medical associations) to encourage greater public education.**

**4. Marketing & Advertising Issues**

**Examine current law for standards & prohibitions against advertising;  
Consider how statute may be changed to allow for advertising;  
Review how advertising & mail through US Postal service is allowed for hemp products**

**5. Product**

**Expanding products to include edibles;  
Consider advertising & packaging concerns related to edibles;  
Expanding sales to include seeds and clones;  
Expanding products to include medical devices & other consumer products**

**6. Department of Health Organizational Issues**

**Capacity;  
Organizational structure;  
Staffing, resources, & budget**

**7. Research Needs**

**Medical and agricultural research;  
Growing and processing;  
Product research;  
Gathering data from other states;  
Social science research (understanding attitudes, beliefs, perceptions);  
Integrating/encouraging UH to engage in research**

**8. Labs**

**Identifying best practices & testing standards adopted in other states  
Ensuring safety testing & certification consistency**

**9. Reciprocity**

**Identifying issues for implementing reciprocity;  
Recommendations for implementing reciprocity**

**10. Transportation/Accessibility Issues**

**Delivery options for patients;  
Interisland transportation of medical marijuana beyond limited lab exception**

**11. Banking options and solutions**

**12. Dispensary License Issues**

**Revisit horizontal vs. vertical production-distribution model;  
As data collected, identify whether there is need to add licenses**