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Senator Brian Taniguchi, Chair
Senator Dwight Takamine, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations

Thursday, February 26, 2009; 9:00 a.m.
Conference Room 016

RE: SB 967 SD1 – Relating to Controlled Substances

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Takamine, and members of the Committee:

My name is Todd Inafuku with CVS Caremark Longs Drugs (“Longs”), testifying in support of SB 967 SD1 which makes Hawaii’s controlled substance laws consistent with that of Federal law and clarifies sections of chapter 329 relating to controlled substances.

In addition to making Hawaii’s law consistent with Federal requirements for the refills of controlled substance prescriptions, this bill allows controlled substances prescriptions with refills to be refilled between islands. This change will enable pharmacies throughout Hawaii to meet the prescription needs of patients.

Longs supports this and other measures that ensure safe pharmacy practices while increasing access to healthcare for our customers. Thank you for the opportunity to support SB 967 SD1.