

**ACT 263 SLH 2023 - HAWAII HEMP TASK FORCE**  
 Department of Agriculture (DOA)  
 Department of Health (DOH)

**MEETING SUMMARY**

Date: Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Time: 12:00 P.M. – 1:30 P. M. (HST)

In-Person Meeting Location: Plant Quarantine Branch, Conference Room  
 Department of Agriculture  
 1849 Auiki Street  
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96819-3100

Virtual Participation: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81485168897>

Recording Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vv9ueSuUBDE>

Present via Zoom/Phone-:

Gail Byrne Baber	Robert Bence	Ty Cheng
Jared Dalgamouni	Qing Li	Michele Matsuda
Brittney Neal	Grant Overton	Gregory Smith
Rusty Tapp	Scotty Wong	

Absent:

Janine Holstein	Gloria Ilagan	Kelly King
Kyle Leong	Judiah McRoberts	Liliana Napoleon
Joseph Smith		

Staff present in person/Zoom:

Stephen Dalton – DOA	Liam Gimon – DOH	Greg Edwards – DOH
Andrew Goff – DAG (Zoom)	Travis Moon – DAG (Zoom)	Lori Nagatoshi - DOH
Michele Nakata – DOH (Zoom)	Leo Obaldo – DOA	Heidy Tuliao – DOA
Jun Tulio – DOA		

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was posted to the Hawaii State calendar as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, Office of Information Practices.

I. Call to Order [ 00:00:06 ] Chair Baber called the meeting to order. Facilitator Tulio conducted the roll call, confirmed eleven (11) members present and quorum was established.

[ 00:07:24 ] Facilitator Tulio reminded the members about the deadlines including substantive and non-substantive changes that can be done to the Finalized Report once the Task Force is disbanded on August 30, 2024.

III. Discussion and decision-making on the Task Force findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to be included in the Hawai'i Hemp Task Force Final Report to the legislature

[ 00:10:05 ] Discussion between Chair Baber and DAG Goff about the July 1<sup>st</sup> and August 30<sup>th</sup> deadlines.

[ 00:15:03 ] Chair Baber showing the findings and recommendations for all sectors in PowerPoint presentation.

[ 00:17:22 ] Discussion between Chair Baber, Mr. Bence, and Mr. Tapp about the recommendations on animal feed and food sector.

[ 00:56:26 ] Discussion between Chair Baber and Mr. Wong about the recommendations on biofuel sector.

[ 01:03:56 ] Discussion between Chair Baber, Ms. Neal, Mr. Wong, and Mr. Bence about the recommendations on general fiber sector.

V. Adjournment  
[ 01:14:33 ] Facilitator Tulio adjourned the meeting.