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## NOTICE OF FEDERAL SCHEDULING ACTIONS

Section 329-11(d) states that if a substance is added, deleted or rescheduled under federal law and notice of the designation is given to the department then the department shall recommend to the legislature that a corresponding change in Hawaii law be made. The Department was given notice that the following depressant drug was placed into Schedule IV by the Federal Government:

2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanol, its salts, optical and geometric isomers and salts of these isomers (including tramadol)

On July 2, 2014 2- [(dimethylamino)methyl]-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanol (tramadol), including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, into schedule IV of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA). This scheduling action is pursuant to the CSA which requires that such actions be made on the record after opportunity for a hearing through formal rulemaking. This action imposes the regulatory controls and administrative, civil, and criminal sanctions applicable to schedule IV controlled substances on persons who handle (manufacture, distribute, dispense, import, export, engage in research, conduct instructional activities with, or possess) or propose to handle tramadol.

Section 329-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (g) to read as follows:

**§329-20 Schedule IV.** (a) The controlled substances listed in this section are included in schedule IV.

(g) Narcotic drugs. Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture, or preparation containing any of the following narcotic drugs, or their salts calculated as the free anhydrous base or alkaloid, in limited quantities as set forth below:

- (1) Not more than one milligram of difenoxin and not less than twenty-five micrograms of atropine sulfate per dosage unit; ~~and~~
- (2) Dextropropoxyphene (alpha-(+)-4-dimethylamino-1, 2-diphenyl-3-methyl-2-propionoxybutane)[-]; and
- (3) 2-[(dimethylamino)methyl]-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanol, its salts, optical and geometric isomers and salts of these isomers (including tramadol).

This Federal scheduling changes shall take effect on **August 18, 2014** as required under Section 329-11(d) HRS.