# Medical Cannabis – Hawaii's Cashless Banking Solution

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# Agenda

- Background
- Banking Activity and Risks
- Hawaii's Banking Solution



#### Background

- Started about 2 years ago after Act 241, 2015 signed into law
- Provided educational opportunities
  - banks and other financial institutions,
  - Iawyers,

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- bank officers, and
- bank directors
- Met with banks and other financial institutions individually
- Talked with money transmitters
- Talked with armored car service providers



## Banking Activity & Risks

- Banking is highly regulated by federal government and state government
- Bank Secrecy Act
  - First enacted in 1970
  - Evolved through drug cartels
  - Tax evasion
  - Terrorist financing
  - USA PATRIOT Act
- Bank Board of Directors need to agree to the risks taken by bank management







#### Hawaii's Cashless Banking Solution

Address the public safety aspect

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Take the cash out of the equation of product purchase

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Allow for limited banking activity for dispensaries



### Hawaii's Cashless Banking Solution – Background to a solution





## Hawaii's Banking Solution – How it works

Smartphone or in-store tablet 2

Checking account\*

\*Pre-paid card option being developed 3

#### A QR code or PIN

- ACH transaction
- Expires after 30 minutes
- One time use
- No bank acct info



#### Other alternatives

- Other financial institutions can open accounts
- Other FinTech companies can provide services
- As technology evolves, other solutions may be available
  - Prepaid stored value cards
  - Debit card use



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