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From: Buckman, Annie-Laurie
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To: Sinclair, Dylan; McLaughlin, Julianne
Subject: FW: Comments on upcoming legislation regarding Cannabis regulation

Good Morning

There is testimony for both committees on here – so you will have to make copies for what ever LD #'s your committee has and you probably want to forward it to your committee members as well.

Thank you
Annie

From: Robert Orzel [<mailto:acadiahorticulturalservices@gmail.com>]
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To: Buckman, Annie-Laurie
Subject: Comments on upcoming legislation regarding Cannabis regulation

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To whom it may concern:

I write today regarding a number of proposed Regulations for Maine's Registered Primary Caregivers, Legal Patients, and the handling of medicinal Cannabis.

LD 1719: Please drop LD 1719, An Act to Implement a Regulatory Structure for Adult Use Marijuana

The only good thing about LD 1719 is the removal of escrow and bonding requirements for license applicants. LD 1719 doesn't track well with discrete, healthy growth of the profession here in Maine.

As a Registered Primary Caregiver, I do not want to be overseen by BABLO - we already have an excellent program, calmly, quietly, efficiently and profitably run by the DHHS.

In fact, I believe the best outcome for Maine is to thoughtfully build out our Registered Primary Caregiver program first, by increasing access to responsible, legal consumers, and allowing Caregivers to associate within reason for the sake of supporting our Patients.

LD 1135 - Please drop LD 1135, An Act to Strengthen the Efficacy of the Medical Marijuana Laws - in the circular file!

LD 1135 is designed to undermine Maine's Registered Primary Caregivers. Representative Chace of Durham is clearly working for the Dispensaries.

LD 1527 - An Act to Ensure Safety, Quality, and Transparency in the Medical Marijuana Market, and to Ensure Sufficient Funding for Regulation and Enforcement with Respect to the Retail Marijuana Industry:

Safety inspections are reasonable - working to address issues is reasonable - punishing people is not. This Act is largely unnecessary.

With the exception of minimally invasive safety inspections, LD 1527 should be filed!

On the contrary, I was very happy to see all three of Chelsea Representative Sanderson's Acts:

LD 762 could support research and development, spurring Maine's economy and providing new opportunities.

LD 1098 allows a school nurse to provide a dose to a schoolchild during the course of a school day - what a no-brainer! Of course this should be passed!

LD 1539 is the legislation I have been praying for. All other things left as they are, LD 1539 would allow me and many other Maine citizens, Registered Primary Caregivers, to operate viable tax paying businesses, and it would be the best, most discrete system in the US. I'm a parent, and I support parents who don't want their kids exposed - period. This is our chance to do it well, and support the Maine citizens who are already invested and hoping to do better.

Please support and pass LD 762, LD 1098, and in particular, LD 1539. Thank you!

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