



April 5th, 2023

**To: Senator Hickman, Representative Supica, and Honorable Members of the
Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs**

**From: Alex McMahan
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Subject: Testimony against LD 410

I'm here today to testify against LD 410.

It is difficult to tackle any of the specifics of this bill, because as of noon the day of the hearing, there is no language in the bill.

Although all we have to go by is the title and brief summary, it is clear that this bill represents the persisting stigma against the cannabis industry. I noticed this bill does not include the smell of the paper mill in Mexico. It does not include the smell of yeast that radiates from Country Kitchen in Lewiston. It does not include the spraying of manure across countless farms in Maine. While I may not be particularly fond of any of these smells, I understand that some amenities in society have smells associated with them. That's the way it is, and the way it's always been.

I'll keep my testimony short today, because I know the legislature is busy with serious bills. Please kill LD 410.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex McMahan", written over a light grey rectangular background.

Alex McMahan
The Healing Community MEDCo