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Aloha Legislators.

As Hawaii moves forward with cannabis regulations, Maine's medical program has proven to be the model. The introduction of recreational cannabis in all states has failed with overburdensome regulations and favoritism towards big businesses. We urge the Maine legislation to continue to build a fair medical program that begins with appointed cannabis board members who are in the cannabis community. Choosing regulators that have no experience in the cannabis space only puts more confusion and pressure on other states looking for the right program for the people. The recreational industry in Maine is forcing the medical industry to jump through hoops such as mandated testing and metrics. It is not too late for Maine to stay medical and rid the state of the recreational program. Let's restart and turn the medicinal cannabis industry into what the local people need and want. Hawaii is watching you from afar and hopes your legislators will guide us into the future with the grassroots regulations Maine started their medical program with.

Aloha.

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