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LD 1038

I am writing to express my strong support for LD 1038, which proposes extending the maximum term of medical cannabis written certifications from one to two years.

This extension would significantly reduce the administrative burden on both patients and the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP). Patients would benefit from fewer certification appointments, resulting in reduced costs and increased continuity of care. Simultaneously, the OCP could allocate resources more efficiently, enhancing overall productivity.

Aligning the certification term with the existing two-year renewal period for registry identification cards also promotes consistency within the medical cannabis program, simplifying processes for all stakeholders.

Furthermore, LD 1038 complements LD 948, which aims to reduce administrative burdens and expand access within Maine's cannabis laws. Both bills work in tandem to create a more efficient and accessible system for patients and caregivers alike.

I respectfully urge you to vote Yes on LD 1038 to support these necessary improvements to Maine's medical cannabis program.