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By supporting sun-grown methods, Maine can empower its caregivers, promote sustainable agricultural practices, and ensure continued access to diverse, high-quality cannabis products. This approach not only benefits patients but also strengthens the local economy and aligns with environmentally conscious values.

I respectfully urge you to pass LD 1897 to support Maine's caregivers and the patients who depend on them.

Thank you for your consideration.

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