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I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed bill requiring clear labeling of cannabis products that have been treated with irradiation. It is essential that consumers have full transparency regarding how the products they use are processed, especially when these methods may affect both safety and quality.

While irradiation can be effective in deactivating mold spores, it does not eliminate existing mycotoxins. In some cases, the stress induced by irradiation may even lead to the release of additional mycotoxins. This is not a minor technical issue—it is a significant concern for those who rely on cannabis for medicinal purposes, where the purity and safety of the product are paramount.

Transparency in labeling fosters trust and empowers consumers to make informed decisions about the products they use. I strongly urge you to support this bill to ensure that the public has access to the information they need to make responsible choices.

Thank you for considering this important issue.