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Public Comment in Support of LD1567 – Irradiated Cannabis Labeling

I'm writing in full support of LD1567, which would require clear labeling of cannabis products that have been treated with irradiation. The fact that this even needs to be proposed is a disgrace. Consumers have a right to know when their medicine has been blasted with radiation because producers couldn't meet basic cleanliness standards.

Let's be real: cannabis that's so moldy it needs to be irradiated shouldn't be sold to begin with—it should be trashed or processed into something safe like BHO, where residual contaminants can actually be removed or neutralized. Instead, we have producers sweeping mold under the rug by nuking flower and calling it a finished product. That's not medicine. That's fraud.

Irradiation might kill mold spores, but it doesn't remove mycotoxins, which are the actual threat to health. In some cases, irradiation can even cause stressed mold to release more toxins. So why is this allowed without disclosure? If the goal is patient safety, then hiding this process is an insult to every medical patient who expects clean, effective cannabis.

This isn't just about science—it's about ethics. If the product has been radiated, the public deserves to know. No one wants to unknowingly smoke flower that was once unfit for sale and secretly salvaged by a radiation chamber.

Support LD1567. Stand for transparency. And stop giving cover to producers who can't meet basic standards without cheating the system