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Hello, my name is Cheyanna and this bill has recently come to my attention. While I like the idea of mandatory testing it is not something financially doable for smaller business. Both for growers, processors, or sellers. Sending out for testing on each batch can cost hundreds. Smaller business will lose money or have to mark up an extremely large amount. Which in return cause something that's medically nessicary to become harder for the patients to afford. In 2024 10.8% of mailers lived below the poverty line. That's more than 2023 which was 8.7% introducing this bill will only increase that number more this year.

As someone who works in the medical cannabis industry I'm worried about how this will effect my work. I'm worried like many others I'll end up losing my job. Instead I'd like to suggest making some sort of affordable testing program. At least to the smaller businesses. Otherwise all of our local owned businesses will be hurting. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony.