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LD 1672

Hello my name is David Stephenson. My wife and I are the owners of Hazy Hill Farm. We have 3 children that we support with our cannabis businesses. Our mission is to provide the best quality cannabis products we possibly can for our customers and patients. I am also an owner at High Peak Edibles where we make hand crafted edibles for both the AU and the medical market. I am one of the first caregivers in the state dating back to 2010. I own a medical dispensary, an AU store, 2 AU processing licenses, and a AU cultivation license. Between both companies we have 40 employees with about 20 of those supporting families of their own. I am also a proud member of the Maine Craft Cannabis Association.

I support LD 1672. This bill allows for AU operators to have an option to use the track and trace system. The Metrc platform is a complete waste of state and stakeholder money. Metrc creates a crazy amount of unnecessary work and cost for operators. It also creates tons of one time use plastic from it tags which are not recyclable and go directly into Maine landfills. It keeps no one "safe" and to my knowledge hasn't ever been used for any investigation. The only people that benefit from Metrc are the corrupt Metrc stakeholders.