

Good Day Ladies and Gentlemen of the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee.

My name is Amy McFarland.

I run Independence Farm, a medical cannabis farm with my husband.

Today I am testifying in favor of LD# 1038.

(An Act to Increase the Maximum Term of a Medical Cannabis Certification to 2 Years)

By extending the certification term from 1 year to 2 years, patients like myself can save on renewal fees, gas and time. With a terrible economy like ours, every penny counts.

Doctors' offices and hospitals throughout Maine are short staffed and over burdened. If we were to extend the certificates to 2 years, this would help lighten the load on our medical system.

With that said, I ask you all to vote "Yes" on LD# 1038.