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## Testimony of the Maine Municipal Association

In Opposition to LD 525, An Act To Allow Medical and Adult Use Marijuana Stores To Share a Common Space

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Senator Luchini, Representative Caiazzo and members of the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee, my name is Kate Dufour and I am providing testimony in opposition to LD 525 on behalf of MMA's Legislative Policy Committee.

Municipal officials are concerned that the common space sales provision proposed in LD 525 could provide an opportunity to circumvent the desires of the residents of a municipality that have not opted to allow the sales of adult use marijuana and related products within their community.

To the extent the Legislature believes there is merit in this approach, municipal officials ask that the legislation clearly provide that: (1) the use of shared spaces is authorized only in communities that have opted to allow these operations; and (2) the operator has received both a medical and adult use license from the state.

Thank you for your time and consideration.