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I have been a caregiver for years and I support LD1242 and thankful for its presentation. I speak for myself ,my patients and my fellow caregivers of Maine. The proposed rule changes will effectively put us all out of business.This will hurt our patients as they are in need of the medicine that we grow as well it will hurt the people that we employ, they will lose their jobs. For example the costs alone to purchase,install and maintain the proposed track and trace system as well as the security systems required are very expensive. We will not be able to exist. We are small independent business people our passion is to help our patients with personal care. Your proposed changes are harmful to the people whom need our help as they will not be able to afford the increased costs . Currently, last years medical marijuana program brought in hundreds of thousands of dollars in tax money . Although we are small businesses we have all grown the medical marijuana program in the state of Maine to be a leading agricultural crop for our state .The proposed rule changes will end this program it will be lost and sadly many will suffer.

Please support all of us as Medical caregivers of Maine to keep this program just as it is NOW for the people of Maine. "The way life should be"