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LD 1840

I am writing in strong support of LD 1840, which seeks to protect Maine's existing cannabis framework by reaffirming that state policy—not federal prohibition—should guide our regulatory decisions.

This bill is vital for ensuring that Maine continues to lead with a science-based, patient-centered approach to cannabis. LD 1840 helps clarify that Maine will not adopt federal overreach that could jeopardize access, increase costs, or criminalize compliant behavior within our state's medical and adult-use cannabis programs.

We've seen how effective Maine's community-based cannabis model has been. Patients and consumers benefit from access to safe, local, and affordable products made by small businesses who follow rigorous standards. LD 1840 ensures we don't abandon that progress in favor of one-size-fits-all federal policies that often serve corporate interests over public health or local economies.

This bill also respects the will of Maine voters and the legislative intent behind our medical and adult-use cannabis laws. It reinforces that our state—not federal agencies—should determine what works best for our patients, farmers, and small business operators.

Please support LD 1840 and help Maine continue to foster a cannabis industry that is safe, equitable, and community-driven.