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As a medical cannabis patient and caregiver, I strongly oppose the proposed regulations calling for excessive testing, needless track-and-trace requirements, and arbitrary potency limits across all cannabis products.

These changes would raise costs, reduce access, and put small, local producers at risk—hurting both patients and the local economy. We've already seen what happens when local manufacturing disappears: product quality drops, prices go up, and community trust erodes. Why are we doing the same to cannabis? Stop trying to price out small businesses in a small business driven state. People do not want large corporations controlling cannabis and telling people what they can and cannot do.

The current system works. It gives patients safe, affordable access to medicine made by people we know and trust. Overregulating it in ways that benefit large corporations undermines everything that makes our program successful.

The truth is, testings does not equal safe. I have managed corporate dispensaries in states where mandatory testing was required for all medical products. Even when a product is tested, and has detectable amounts of mold and harmful contaminants, even at a level deemed "safe", the product can still continue to grow mold as mold is alive. I saw countless patients bringing back moldy flower from batches that past testing. Simply because a sample of a batch was tested, does not mean that the product was dried, cured, processed or stored correctly. These oversights still lead to a contaminated and unsafe product. A grower who knows what they are doing and takes pride in their craft knows when their cannabis flower is clean and safe to provide to patients. These large corporations only care about one thing, money. They do not care about patients safety. This bill is not about patient safety, it is about generating revenue for big businesses and pricing out small operators.

Please support sustainable, community-based cannabis by rejecting these harmful proposals.