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The maine medical program, as it is and not as it will be with METRC, has been a shining example of what a medical cannabis program can be when craft growers can afford to exercise their passion for both the cannabis plant and the patients. The level of care my senior mother has been shown by growers and smaller dispensaries doesn't compare to any medical she's ever found in the northeast before living in maine. The level of transparency in their operations has been second to none and they're always happy to answer any questions she has.

If these are allowed to pass, what was once financially feasible medical option will change and my mother will be much more hard pressed to get her medication. I'm affected by this as well for my own medical conditions, and I truly fear for the people who will not be able to afford their medications anymore.

Maine medical program must stay as it is and continue to be that shining example to the rest of the country of what a medical program can be when passionate caregivers and growers are allowed to thrive, and they keep getting better and better at their jobs by the grow. I pray for all medical cannabis patients that you will continue to keep the program away from METRC and companies like it. Please make the decision that helps the people and the craft growers thrive.