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As a medical cannabis patient in Maine for over a half a decade, and someone who has worked in both the medical and adult use cannabis industries in Maine, 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 caregivers at risk—hurting patients, caregivers, and the local economy.

Potency limits on medical patients will translate to patients having to spend more money and consume more cannabis to achieve their desired relief.

Mandating use of a out-of-state monopoly's unnecessary software and AU testing, which is flawed for a number of reasons, will only serve to give larger, out-of-state corporations a competitive edge and destroy Maine's medical cannabis program.

There are more common sense ways to ensure safety without propping up out-of-state operators and monopoly's. Crippling small caregivers with unreasonable regulations and unsustainable financial burden is not the answer for Maine.

Please reject these harmful proposals that will have a devastating affect on caregivers, cannabis patients, and the state economy.