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LD 104

Dear Members of the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs,

My name is Andrew Parsons, and I am a resident of Kittery, Maine. Currently I'm a medical patient, but I would like to enter the caregiver program. I am writing to express my strong support for Maine's medical cannabis laws, which have been instrumental in improving the quality of life for many patients across our state.

As someone who has witnessed the therapeutic benefits of medical cannabis firsthand, I can attest to its efficacy in managing chronic pain, reducing reliance on opioids, and enhancing overall well-being. Maine's medical cannabis program has provided a safe and regulated means for patients to access the relief they need.

Furthermore, Maine's approach to medical cannabis has fostered a community of caregivers and small businesses dedicated to patient care. I'm ready to take it to the next step and become a caregiver myself. Legislation such as LD 1242 has empowered local growers and caregivers by ensuring that rule changes undergo legislative review and by prioritizing smaller, locally owned facilities.

I urge you to continue supporting and refining Maine's medical cannabis laws to ensure that patients have access to safe, fresh, effective, and affordable treatment options.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Andrew Parsons