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I am writing in SUPPORT of LD1620. I ask that you please vote Ought to Pass. The CFU limit to 100,000 cfu/g is a much more appropriate than the current 10,000CFU. Outdoor air has been samples as high as 50,000cfu and poses no significant risk to health. The 10,000 cfu limit disallows outdoor cultivation and discourages beneficial biological Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices, which in turn forces cultivators to use chemicals and pesticides instead. We should be encouraging the use of natural beneficial biological IPM products rather than using chemicals and pesticides. Raising the threshold from 10,000 to 100,000cfu/gram is a step in the right direction. Thank you for your time and consideration.