David Stephenson Hazy Hill Farm LD 1620

Hello my name is David Stephenson. My wife and I are the owners of Hazy Hill Farm. We have 3 children that we support with our cannabis businesses. Our mission is to provide the best quality cannabis products we possibly can for our customers and patients. I am also an owner at High Peak Edibles where we make hand crafted edibles for both the AU and the medical market. I am one of the first caregivers in the state dating back to 2010. I own a medical dispensary, an AU store, 2 AU processing licenses, and a AU cultivation license. Between both companies we have 40 employees with about 20 of those supporting families of their own. I am also a proud member of the Maine Craft Cannabis Association.

I support LD1620. This bill raises the minimum threshold for AU microbial testing from 10,000 to 100,000 which is much more reasonable and easier to achieve for sungrown and indoor cultivators alike. There is so much risk for lost revenue for both the cultivator and the state with the current microbial requirements. It is completely unnecessary in my professional opinion.