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LD 104

We all know about the poor quality and higher prices seen in the adult use/recreational market. If LD 104 and LD 1847 pass many quality medical caregivers will not be able to afford or have the supporting resources necessary to stay compliant and we will see a loss of many of these small batch passionate growers who supply the med market with superior quality and variety of medicines that we've come to rely on.

As someone who lives and works in the industry in a state monopolized by MSOs I can tell you that METRC and forced testing do nothing in terms of protecting or providing the end user with a clean and safe well priced product. Samples sent for testing are chosen by the company growing it so test results are skewed from the get go. And the amount of time it takes daily to scan and submit your plant counts would make it impossible for those 1 man/woman teams to both manage the garden and update METRC. We literally have people in every department whose job is 90% dealing with METRC inputs. So on top of the exuberant costs of implementing the system, caregivers will need to hire to stay on top of all the extra work forced testing brings. All these additional costs will of course be reflected in the cost to consumer and we will see a rise in prices that will mimic what we see in the adult use/recreational market. This, coupled with the foreseeable loss of smaller quality caregivers, will def turn the medical market on its head.

I work as a budtender the shop is already struggling this would be a nail i the coffin for me and my coworkers. The medical market is the only thing keeping this state a float no other industry brings in this much money.