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Testimony in Support of LD 1831 An Act Requiring Disclosure and Oversight of Radiation and Ozonation Treatments in Adult Use Cannabis
Senator Hickman, Representative Supica, and Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

My name is Arleigh Kraus, and I am writing to express my support for this bill, which ensures transparency and consumer safety in Maine’s adult use cannabis market by requiring disclosure of radiation and ozonation treatments, and the inspection and registration of equipment used for such processes.

Requiring clear labeling of cannabis products that have been subject to radiation treatment or ozonation empowers consumers to make informed decisions. Just as we expect transparency in food labeling, patients and adult-use consumers deserve to know if their cannabis has undergone these processes, which may affect product quality, cannabinoid profile, or perceived safety. This disclosure is not only a matter of consumer rights—it fosters trust in the regulated cannabis market.

Mandating inspection and registration of radiation and ozonation equipment by the Office of Cannabis Policy introduces a necessary layer of safety and accountability. These technologies, while potentially effective for microbial control, must be used responsibly and safely. Proper oversight ensures that their use aligns with best practices and public health standards, while preventing misuse or unregulated experimentation.

This bill does not ban the use of these methods—it simply requires transparency and proper regulatory oversight. It supports both consumer choice and industry responsibility, and reflects the thoughtful, science-informed policy Maine is known for.

I urge the Committee to vote “Ought to Pass” and help advance Maine’s commitment to safety, integrity, and informed choice in the cannabis industry.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Respectfully,
Arleigh Kraus