

Delegate C.T. Wilson, Chair  
and Members of the Economic Matters Committee  
Maryland House of Delegates  
Annapolis, MD

RE: HB1147- Cannabis-Induced Psychosis and THC Concentration Limit- **SUPPORT**

Dear Chair Wilson and Members of The Economic Matters Committee,

As far as I am concerned, and I am sure that many other MD citizens share my feelings, this topic should have been considered prior to the legalization/decriminalization of marijuana! However, hindsight is 20/20! Moving forward, it is critical that you support HB1147 in order to reign in the potency of the marijuana that will be marketed through the State's adult-use marijuana program. There are far too many other, more potent, drugs that are being laced with marijuana (Fentanyl for example), that are causing a high number of deaths throughout Maryland. Controlling the potency and monitoring/preventing the addition of other more deadly drugs is a must.

In addition, medical evidence indicates that frequent use of marijuana results in cannabis-induced psychosis. Individuals suffering from this mental instability experience paranoid delusions, suspiciousness, and a sense of grandiosity (at minimum). These symptoms could lead to crimes against humanity in which someone gets hurt or even killed simply due to paranoia. Allowing an individual with this disorder to partake of marijuana from the State adult-use marijuana program intensifies the disorder and possible negative criminal acts.

Therefore, I ask for you to return a FAVORABLE report for HB1147.

Thank you for your time,

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