

HB0855 Favorable with Amendments
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I support HB855 with amendments.

The medical allotment system introduced an equivalence system between flower and processed products to limit the amount of THC being possessed regardless of the form it was in. The problem this bill is trying to fix is caused by the adult-use possession limits not having an equivalence mechanism. By introducing different THC limits for different forms of cannabis the adult-use possession limits inadvertently(?) introduce stricter limits for concentrates and edibles. While the technical fix of resolving the “and/or” issue resolves the confusion by effectively making the intent of “and” explicit and is an improvement, it does not resolve the unfairness of stricter limits for processed forms of cannabis.

It is understood that the intent of this bill was only to implement a technical fix. However, this is the only bill addressing the civil possession limits. Since there was no debate on possession limits between the House and Senate last year and there is no other bill before the assembly, this is the only bill that can address raising the adult-use possession limits to reasonable levels. Therefore, the amendment request is to allow 120 grams of flower or 36 grams of THC in processed cannabis or an equivalent combination.

Thank you,
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