SB925 Favorable with amendments

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I support SB925 with amendments.

Please add the following language to title 5-101 4

Replace

5-101 4. (4) TWO OR FEWER CANNABIS PLANTS.

With

5-101 4. (4) TWO OR FEWER CANNABIS PLANTS; OR

(2) ANY ADDITIONAL CANNABIS PRODUCED BY A PERSON'S CANNABIS PLANT OR PLANTS, IF THE AMOUNT OF CANNABIS IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT LISTED IN ITEM (1)(I), (II), OR (III) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS PROCESSED IN A LOCATION:
(I) WHERE THE PLANT OR PLANTS WERE CULTIVATED; AND
(II) THAT IS SECURE FROM UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS AND ACCESS BY A

PERSON WHO IS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 YEARS.

This language will allow home growers to legally possess and safely process their entire harvests without committing a criminal violation of 5-101.

I am a caregiver and an outdoor home grower. The patient I caregive for used to use a Fentanyl patch to treat chronic pain from Scoliosis. We now use a Healer tincture formula product that is regularly not available for months at a time. In those times my options are to travel to Maine get the product there or make this formula from flower. As an outdoor grower, I only have one harvest per year. Making multiple 30 day batches of tincture is a lot more work than doing it all at once. To what end?

In general, the personal limit for medical patients was designed to be a 30 day supply. The personal limit for adult use is a daily sales limit. Specifically, the personal limit for Cannabis plants allows all growers to easily grow more than a 30 day supply. A home grower who yields 8 ounces of flower per plant is currently committing a criminal violation of the Cannabis possession limits. The personal limit should allow "keep what you grow" and "process what you grow" instead of forcing home growers to technically break the law by exceeding the personal limit once they harvest their plants. If there is no intent to enforce these limits, they should be dropped.

HB32 had language for home grow that allowed possession of any amount of Cannabis grown on the property. The requested amendment is the HB32 language. Other states have defined home possession limits (e.g. 5 pounds). The current law has both growers and regular adult use purchasers routinely violating possession limits at home. The world has not come to an end.

Please let's do what we can to take a small step forward. The purpose of the solvent portion of this bill was to address a legislative oversight. Let's please fix all of what was missed.

Thank you,

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