From:

Brandy Zink <br/> <br/>brandyzink.mi.asa@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 4:07 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Testimony on behalf of the Americans for Safe Access Michigan Chapter Re: 5300-5302

Dear Clerk,

I am writing to request time to address the Committee in regards to HB 5300-5302 on behalf of the Americans for Safe Access Michigan Chapter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Brandy Zink Americans for Safe Access, Michigan Chapter Chair 16630 Hazelton St Detroit, MI 48219 313-310-9016

From:

Zachary Helms <zhelms1@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:28 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Testimony for Meeting 10/5/21

Hello,

My name is Zachary Helms and I am a Cannabis Compliance expert here in Michigan. I would like to give testimony during the meeting at 10:30am 10/5/21 on the bills related to cannabis being discussed.

Thank You,

Zachary Helms

From:

Jen <jlindemann1985@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 12:07 PM

To:

**Molly Wingrove** 

Subject:

Zoom option for vulnerable patients

#### Clerk Wingrove,

I know several cannabis patients who can't travel to Lansing and would like to be a part of the Regulatory Meeting Oct 6th at 1030am

Seeing that HB 5300-5302 affects a patients access to affordable medicine, this hearing should be accessible virtually and they should be able to have their comments heard. Please make this meeting a hybrid with in person and zoom options available.

Sincerely,

Jenny Lindemann MSW
Patient Advocate MI ASA
6110 DeLand Rd Flushing, MI 48433

From:

shanna overmyer < shannagirl23@gmail.com>

Sent:

Friday, October 1, 2021 7:35 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

I have a patient

Hello I have a patient that's willing to Skype in or video conference she's unable to travel though

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sprocket Rages < sprocket.rages@yahoo.com >

Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 8:23 AM
To: House Clerk < HouseClerk@house.mi.gov >

Subject: Bill 5301

Good morning, I was hoping to get on record this morning on this bill (5301). Also I had heard it may be possible to speak against the bill via zoom but that changed. Is that true? How do I get on record. Any help in this would be wonderful. Of course I heard of this last minute and am scrambling to be heard. My mothers lifestyle and medicine is at risk of tanking if this bill passes. Thank you for your time in advance and have a blessed day.

Respect & Blessings,

- Dave Edwards

Caregiver for free!

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

Steve K <stevenkahn1@live.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 30, 2021 9:24 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

October 5 caregiver wanting to speak

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Hi there,

My name is Steven Kahn and I'm a Michigan resident and medical cannabis caregiver.

It would mean the world to me to be able to speak on behalf of my patients & myself.

If this law changes it literally could destroy lives and possibly put people's lives in jeopardy. I'd like to have just a few minutes to explain how, and why we must avoid doing so.

Is there any chance that would be possible? I was told there is only 90 minutes reserved for committee room to speak.

Thank you. Any reply would be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Steven Kahn 5862166082

From:

Tina Gehres <tina.cfs1111@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 30, 2021 4:37 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hearing on HB5300 on October 5, 2021

Attachments:

Editorial MI HB5301 Final.docx

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Dear Ms. Wingrove,

I would like to appear via Zoom Meeting at the committee hearing on the above-referenced date in opposition to HB5300 et seq. Please confirm my reservation and provide a link to attend this hearing along with any additional information I may require to attend.

Attached is an editorial letter that has been published in various newspapers in Michigan, and which I am submitting as part of my testimony.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tina K. Gehres, Esq. (808) 282-6148

From:

ryan bringold <ryanbringold@att.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 29, 2021 3:57 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Speaking time

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Good afternoon,

I would like to speak at the committee hearing on October 5 th 2021. Please add me to this list Ryan Bringold

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Amie Carter <amiecarter012@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 2:03 PM

To:

**Molly Wingrove** 

Subject:

Oct 5th

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I am emailing you to ask if I could please get some time for public comment on HB5300, HB5301 and HB5302. I am a parent of a minor medical marijuana patient and I would be there representing the other 293 minor patients and their families in the state of Michigan. It is imperative that you hear what I have to say. These bills would be detrimental in the continuing care of the children who use medical marijuana as their medicine.

Hook forward to hearing from you, Amie Carter 4307 Beechwood Ave., Burton MI 48509

810-614-3258

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Donna Sullivan <dkat48749@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 1:20 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

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My name is Joseph sullivan

6434 w.sterling rd. Sterling, mi 48659

I would like to speak on the behalf of myself and as a representative of United cannabis caregivers association in regards to house bill 5300-5302

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From:

Josey Scoggin <josey.hwize@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:51 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Regulatory Hearing Zoom Request

Hi Molly,

My name is Josey and I am interested in entering testimony for today's regulatory meeting at 10:30. Unfortunately, I am immunocompromised and attending in person is not a possibility for me. A friend of mine told me I could email you and request access to Zoom or write something and email it your way.

Is that possible?

Thank you!

Best, Josey 269-214-4495

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From:

Joel Plotkin <joel.plotkin@gmail.com>

Sent:

Friday, October 1, 2021 4:30 PM

To:

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Subject:

Tuesday's House Regulatory Reform Standing Committee Meeting

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Thanks!

Kind regards,

Joel Plotkin 777 Red Maple Lane Wixom, MI 48393-4526 Phone: (24) 926-5509

From:

Joel Plotkin <joel.plotkin@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, September 27, 2021 11:02 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Video Conference for Streaming Committee Hearings

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Hello Molly,

We just spoke a few minutes ago, and per our recent conversation, as I mentioned, I'd like to attend the upcoming hearings via Zoom for House bills 5300, 5301, and 5302.

I'm assuming it's too early for you to provide the necessary information for these hearings. Am I right about that? If not, please provide me with the information I need to know to attend those hearings via videoconference.

I've already been confirmed for announcements about the upcoming hearings. When I receive one, is that when I contact you for what I need to know to attend the hearings via Zoom, if it's not too early for you to provide me for what I need to know now?

Thanks! I really appreciate your help with this, and I hope that I'm not too much of a pain in the neck.

Kind regards,

Joel Plotkin 777 Red Maple Lane Wixom, MI 48393-4526

From:

Rick Thompson < 4mrick@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, September 27, 2021 7:30 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

In re: HB 5300, 5301, 5302

#### Hello Molly!

The Michigan chapter of NORML is requesting time to speak on these bills when they are scheduled for a hearing. Although the schedule has not been set yet I believe these bills will come up in your October 5th session; please schedule NORML as a crucial organization wishing to speak. If you can NOT schedule NORML as a speaker for the Oct. 5 session, please let me know. Please place this email address on your notifications list for committee hearings:

## 4mrick@gmail.com

Thank you very much!

NORML of Michigan Executive Director

From:

Cary Justice <420positive@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, September 25, 2021 10:33 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300. OPPOSE

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Dear Ms. Wingroves,

I'm writing to you about my opposition to HB 5300. This bill will effectively get rid of caregivers. We need our caregivers. They make life giving and life saving medicine and must be protected.

I'm asking that this email be read at the committee hearing Monday September 27, 2021.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter,

Cary Neuville-Justice

Onward and Upward

From:

Cary Justice <420positive@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, September 25, 2021 10:56 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5301. OPPOSE:)

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Dear Ms. Winegrove,

I'm writing in opposition to HB 5301. I do not support any changes to the MMMA and this bill does precisely that.

Caregivers make life giving and life saving medicine. Caregivers are a critical component to patient care in Michigan.

I oppose HB 5301.

I'm asking this letter be read at the committee hearing on September 27, 2021.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter,

Cary Neuville-Justice

Onward and Upward

From:

Cary Justice <420positive@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, September 25, 2021 11:02 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5302. OPPOSE:)

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Dear Ms. Wingrove,

I'm writing in opposition to HB 5302. It modifies the health code with regard to cannabis caregivers. I oppose any changes to the MMMA 2008.

Caregivers make life giving and life saving medicine. We need caregivers in Michigan.

I'm asking that this letter be read into the minutes at the committee hearing Monday September 27, 2021.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely, Cary Neuville-Justice Onward and Upward

From:

Cindy Fej <cindy012365@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, September 27, 2021 4:06 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Regarding HBs 5300-5302

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#### Greetings,

My name is Cindy Fejedelem. I'm a registered voter living in Flushing Township. I'm writing to you in regards to HBs 5300-5302. As you're aware, the registered voters of the state of Michigan democratically voted in both medical marijuana and recreational marijuana. We voted on the language of these state laws. We approved these. This is the will of the majority of the people of our state.

Now comes big business, and Steve Linder, trying to restrict the rights of patients and caregivers. I am a registered medical marijuana patient. I just got my card in June. Last year, on May 8th, University of Michigan Hospital refused to send me home with anything for pain after I had surgery. I'm a chronic pain patient, and I'm chronically ill. I believe that everyone has a right to adequate pain control, and I was suffering. My significant other and I made the decision to try marijuana to help control my pain. As our state is now recreational, that was easy to do. The next day, we were at a dispensary in Ann Arbor picking up some THC gummies. I had never used marijuana before in my life. I had an aversion to it, and was raised by conservative parents. Marijuana is highly looked down upon still to this day, and there is a social stigma by conservative people who don't like it for whatever reason. It was something new and scary for me to try, and with the support of my significant other, I tried it. Guess what? It helped immensely with my pain.

After a lot of trial and error, trying to figure out what works for me and what doesn't, we found products that help me. Not only did I get relief from my surgical pain, but it helps me with my daily pain as well. I live with chronic daily migraine, fibromyalgia, chronic abdominal pain, osteo arthritis, degenerative disc disease, I have vertebrae that are fusing in my spine, I have scoliosis, a calcified tendon in my neck, no curve to my neck, and all of these cause me a great deal of pain every day. On the standard medical scale, my pain never gets lower than a 5 every day, and goes up to a 10. I struggle to function at pain levels that are higher than healthy people do. I also suffer with gastroparesis, which is a digestive disorder, and causes me tons of abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, and stool problems. Because of this, I don't digest food fast enough, or sometimes too fast, and it goes bad in my stomach before my body can digest it. I have to give myself IV medication four times a day, and a bag of saline five days a week to keep me out of the hospital. Marijuana helps me have an appetite, helps my pain, and helps my nausea and vomiting. I also suffer with anxiety, medical-related PTSD, and insomnia. Marijuana helps control these things for me, and as a matter of fact, I have only had to use my Xanax, which is a Benzodiazepine, and is highly addictive, eight times since last year, because of Marijuana. I've suffered through painful spinal injections, painful Botox injections, which I had to do once a month for six months. It's 31 injections in your face, head, neck, and shoulders once a month, all at once. I've had nerve blocks, I use a TENS unit, I've tried fire cupping, acupuncture, massage, exercise, yoga, pool therapy, physical therapy, aromatherapy, supplements, medications that were never intended to treat pain, but are used for an off label use, and none of that has done what marijuana has done for me. I have suffered greatly. No one will prescribe me any prescription pain medication, despite living with chronic pain every day, and having no history of substance abuse. Doctors are more afraid of losing their licenses than they are helping people who are in pain. My pain management doctor recommended that I try marijuana personally.

I spend a lot of my income on medications every month. I live on \$956/month on SSDI. I am disabled and cannot work. I'm on medicare and medicaid. I have to pay cash for marijuana, as it is my medication. I ration my use of it, and don't even use it every day, due to the expenses. I can't claim it on my taxes. It's not tax deductible. I don't work, and

am a single disabled woman. I have no taxable income to even file taxes for. Most of my medical problems happened after I was exposed to lead, from the Flint Water Crisis of 2014. I was attending college at University of Michigan - Flint, and commuted to school from Flushing Township. I never was a Flint resident, but I ate and drank downtown on campus, before and after classes. I refilled my water bottles at the drinking fountains to save money. I had a full time job, and a full class load. I had to drop out of college, and stop working due to level 3 lead poisoning. I don't qualify for any help, because I never was a city of Flint resident. I've tried.

A kind person at an online meeting with Americans for Safe Access - Michigan Chapter, donated the cost of my medical card and televisit appointment to get my medical marijuana card in June. I had been paying recreational prices at dispensaries for over a year, because I couldn't afford the cost of the card. I am eternally grateful for him for that, and it's the nicest thing that anyone's ever done for me. It has allowed me to use medical dispensaries now, which have lowered my costs, but I'm still paying a lot for medication. Some of us have been fighting for patient-caregiver rights here in Flushing Township since February, and I am one of them. I also recently fought for other people's rights in Clinton Township. As I am immunocompromised, it's not safe for me to attend in person meetings, so I've been doing my best electronically, and providing support for those who can go in person, because I cannot. I lost my father to COVID in April, and I now caregive for my mother, who also had COVID, and is losing her cognitive abilities because of COVID. She also is still on oxygen, despite having no lung problems at all pre-COVID since April. I had sepsis, pneumonia, and a pneumothorax about a year ago now, and I'm still trying to fight away the sepsis. My labs are all off still, and I have a central line. It's not safe for me to be there to testify on the 5th as to what marijuana has done for me. Despite being fully vaccinated, I cannot take the risk to myself and to my mother. Because all of the townships around us are implementing new zoning ordinances, I haven't been able to find a caregiver yet. I still have to use a dispensary, and pay 6% sales tax on my medication. Having a caregiver who can grow and process my medication for me would help me immensely, and they can tailor products I can use to my dosage needs. I can try a specific strain meant for helping medical conditions that I have, instead of not knowing what strain is in my products from a dispensary. I cannot smoke it, due to my lungs. I have to use topical and edible products.

Please, please, don't make any changes to the medical marijuana program here in Michigan. It is hard enough trying to find someone who is local to me, who has an open spot for a new patient. Being physically disabled, and at the hospital bare minimum one day a week, with typically 2-3 other appointments that week for either my mother or myself, I'm not home a lot, and wouldn't be able to have someone in my house caring for plants for me. I don't have the room in my house. I live in a 12X60 trailer in Meadowbrook Manor Estates near Mt. Morris Rd. and Elms Rd. in Flushing Township. I don't have the space, the outlets, or availability to grow my own medication. I live alone. My significant other lives in Caro, and caregives for his father who has Parkinson's Disease. He cannot care for my plants, nor does he have the space at his home for them. Medical marijuana saves lives, and patients should have a right to safe access to their medication that can be tailor made for them. I don't think that the patients are being considered in all of this, and people are just thinking that caregivers are selling it to other people on the side, making money, when it's our medication meant and grown for US. We, the patients, are going to be the ones suffering - not them.

You can hear live testimony from me at the following links:

These are from March 11, 2021 (my 39th birthday,) at the Flushing Township Board of Trustees Meeting, as recorded by ABC 12, Fox66/NBC25, and mlive.

https://www.abc12.com/2021/03/12/flushing-township-residents-concerned-over-proposed-marijuana-ordinance/

https://www.mlive.com/news/flint/2021/03/flushing-township-board-sends-proposed-medical-marijuana-ordinance-back-to-planning-commission.html

https://nbc25news.com/news/local/flushing-township-sends-controversial-marijuana-ordinance-back-to-planning-commission

This is my testimony, and others' testimony, from the Clinton Township Planning Board meeting on August 26, 2021. I have fast forwarded it to start at the point where the ordinance is discussed. <a href="https://youtu.be/qWpy4---P61?t=450">https://youtu.be/qWpy4---P61?t=450</a>

You can find my testimony, and others' testimony for the Clinton Township Board of Trustees meeting on September 13, 2021 here, also fast forwarded to the part where the ordinance is discussed. <a href="https://youtu.be/4LyDq80Eell?t=1235">https://youtu.be/4LyDq80Eell?t=1235</a>

Please don't make any changes to the medical marijuana program. We the people voted this in. We the people should be the ones voting on changes to it.

Thank You for Your Time,

Cindy Fejedelem 7327 115th St. Flushing, MI 48433 Landline: (810) 639-7998

Cell: (810) 908-2479

From:

Charles Strackbein <strack66@icloud.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 6:58 AM

Subject:

Re: opposition to HB 5300, 5301, 5302

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To: The Honorable House Representitives House Office Building, Mi 48933

Re: House Bill 5300, 5301 and 5302, by **Jim Lilly, TC Clements,** and **Richard Steenland** Our opposition of 5300, 5301 and 5302 legislative bills)

BRIEF: OPOSITION

Key House Bill 5301 Opposition points.

- 1. It causes an undue burden to me.
- 2. The licensed businesses cannot properly serve us, especially my fellow patients with cancer and life-threatening diseases
- 3. I cannot afford the prices big businesses charge, causing me to go without my medicine; the big box retailers price is exorbitant, due to increased costs for big-box marketing and packaging
- 4. The specialty medical products created by caregivers are niche "on-demand" products delivered to achieve specific medical benefits, these specialty products have limited markets and are not big money maker's so big box solutions don't meet the needs of patients for these critical products and their delivery.
- 5. If we (patients and caregivers) didn't sway public opinion and get medical-use passed first, there would likely be NO adult-use recreational market.

We are pro-"no changes" to the very popular 2008 voter approved (63%) "marijuana for medical use". The more recent and less popular 56% (2018) recreational-use law and related manufacturers push is for "marijuana like alcohol". There is a fundamental crime going on here. The very popular 2008 vote to "create a safe, affordable medical marijuana program" passed by 63%. This is very different from the less-popular 2018 (56%) campaign to treat marijuana "like alcohol" (56%). Two different issues, campaigns, votes, approaches, concepts and systems, different regulations for different markets. Please keep them separate. If we (patients and care givers) didn't sway public opinion and get medical use passed, there would likely be NO adult-use recreational market. I don't see you passing the hardship making us have to sway public opinion again.

Dear Honorable House Representitives,

My name is Charles Strackbein, I am the Founder of the Ann Arbor Monroe Street Fair, established in 2002. Proudly we now have over 20,000 active yearly attendees and another 20,000 in our highly engaged online community. I am the Founding Board Chair of MICHIGO, A specialty Michigan Tourism and Hospitality Organization, a life long, homegrown Michigander and Macomb County voter with family thats lived in Michigan for many generations.

I was a passenger in a violent auto accident in Macomb County in 1988. I suffered multiple serious injuries and was hospitalized for 3 weeks. I've been through years of occupational, physical, and vocational therapy (thank you auto-no-fault) and have made a remarkable non-pill popping recovery; cannabis relieves my remaining head, neck, hip and back pain. I am disabled and the relief cannabis provides helps me maintain my vocational therapy and employment. I cannot afford higher priced cannabis that bears the weight of big box cannabis marketing and packaging.

Cannabis has also met my alcohol and nicotine addictions head-on leading me to an alcohol, tobacco, and nicotine free lifestyle. My health has improved 10-fold as I benefit from personal cannabis use. Please reject these bills that will decimate my relationship with the source of my medicine.

Please allow me the personal responsibility of choice of medical cannabis medicine, and the method, date, time, and place of any testing of my cannabis. The last 5,000 years have shown people benefiting from the personal use of cannabis with no major health issues reported, all within the trust of close relationships. Please let this help guide your decision to reject these manufactured ideas and interests.

I grow 3-5 beautiful cannabis plants outdoors in the summer, and I trust my caregiver to provide in others. The quality I've known is based on personal experience and my close relationship with my caregiver and transparent growing practices.

All we need are seeds, soil, fresh air, sunshine and rain, (all Gods premium ingredients). Please do not accuse us of adulterated cannabis. The surveys are tilted by the author. I do not know big box solutions personally; they are relatively un-established all things considered. I think the existing relationships should stand separately as completely different laws and systems.

I do believe big box solutions have debts to satisfy, out-of-state officials and stakeholders and are more likely to cut corners and therefore need to have their cannabis tested for the sake of all cannabis consumers in Michigan. One exists as a personal relationship founded on trust, while the other is a complete commercial endeavor designed to satisfy Michigan's adult-use market while providing returns to stakeholders. Please consider the differences and keep our unique solution in place.

Plus, there are far more licensed medical facilities than recreational facilities and only 13 testing facilities for over 30,000 caregivers. This bill is ill-founded and not practical. Please vote no.

Please keep our voter passed 2008 Medical use cannabis caregiver system and MMFLA Laws and regulations in place.

There is no problem with the caregiver system. The surveys are manufactured with no input from Michigan Patients. The MCMA claims to represent the interests of over 1/2 the class-C Licensed Marijuana businesses yet fail to mention how many patients they officially represent. They do not properly credit or qualify their claims and statements, leaving them without any authority.

Please let me know your thoughts on this bill and how you intend to vote and why.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Strackbein

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22900 Playview St.

St. Clair Shores, Mi 48082

#### Appendix:

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House representatives contacts

Regulatory Reform Committee Chair,

Roger Hauck (517) 373-1789 RogerHauck@house.mi.gov

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House Rep Jim Lily jimlilly@house.mi.gov

House Rep Richard Steenland richardsteenland@house.mi.gov

House Rep TC Clements TCClements@house.mi.gov

House Rep Kevin Hertel:: KevinHertel@house.mi.gov

phone #'s

House Rep Jim Lily at 517-373-0838

House Rep Richard Steenland 517-373-0854

House Rep TC Clements (517) 373-2617

House Rep: Kevin Hertel: (517) 373-1180

From:

T-Cyph <ty.cypher@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 30, 2021 7:47 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Bills 5300-5302

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Hello!

I am writing you today as a concerned citizen. I have read these three bills and they are harmful to those with chronic pain. The bill limit the amount of caregiver growers on a property is just poor shaming. Also dispensary edibles don't taste good, how dare you make it harder for my caregiver to provide me with my medicine.

If you're looking for something to change try allowing caregivers to sell there excess product to dispos provided a state test. You could tax it, which I know is all you care about. All this corporate interest will ruin my medicine

A concerned citizen

From:

Joel Plotkin <joel.plotkin@gmail.com>

Sent:

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From:

Julie Barron < jbar0907@aol.com>

Sent:

Saturday, October 2, 2021 9:38 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove; Rep. Roger Hauck (District 99); Rep. Michele Hoitenga (District 102); Rep. Joseph Bellino, Jr. (District 17); Rep. Matt Hall (District 63); Rep. Mike Mueller (District 51); Rep. Pauline Wendzel (District 79); Rep. TC Clements (District 56); Rep. John N. Damoose (District 107); Rep. Pat Outman (District 70); Rep. Kevin Hertel (District 18); Rep. Tenisha Yancey (District 1); Rep. Alex Garza (District 12); Rep. Angela Witwer

(District 71); Rep. Richard Steenland (District 22)

Subject:

House Bills 5300, 5301, 5302

I am writing you today to urge you to vote no on the Michigan Cannabis Safety Act.

House Bill 5300:

http://www.legislature.mi.gov/.../pdf/2021-HIB-5300.pdf

House Bill 5301:

http://www.legislature.mi.gov/.../pdf/2021-HIB-5301.pdf

House Bill 5302:

http://www.legislature.mi.gov/.../pdf/2021-HIB-5302.pdf

If passed these bills would be devastating to MI cannabis patients, one of those patients being my daughter!!! We use a caregiver to provide safe organic medicine at a reasonable cost. Please do not allow her to lose access and put more money in the pockets of Big Canna. This is a money grab!!!

-Julie Barron Ann Arbor, MI

From:

Anton Harb Jr. <tfire136@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 10:20 AM

To: Molly Wingrove

Cc: Rep. Pat Outman (District 70); Rep. John N. Damoose (District 107); Rep. TC Clements

(District 56); Rep. Pauline Wendzel (District 79); Rep. Mike Mueller (District 51); Rep. Matt Hall (District 63); Rep. Joseph Bellino, Jr. (District 17); Rep. Michele Hoitenga (District 102); Rep. Roger Hauck (District 99); Rep. Stephanie Young (District 8); Rep. Richard Steenland (District 22); Rep. Angela Witwer (District 71); Rep. Alex Garza (District

12); Rep. Tenisha Yancey (District 1); Rep. Kevin Hertel (District 18)

Subject: Written Testimony for the Record RE: Regulatory Reform Committee Meeting October

5, 2021

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Hello,

My name is Anton Harb Jr., I am a Michigan resident residing in Macomb Township. As a 100% disabled veteran and former Federal Law Enforcement Officer, I have prepared the following written testimony in opposition of HB 5300, 5301 and 5302. I wish for this written testimony to be added as part of the official record for the Regulatory Reform Committee hearing currently scheduled for October 5, 2021. I am unable to attend this meeting in person. If there are any further questions, I would be happy to make myself available to this committee for further questioning.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anton Harb Jr. 716-553-6935 <u>Tfire136@gmail.com</u> Macomb Township, MI

#### MEMORANDUM OF TESTIMONY

TO: The State of Michigan House of Representatives Regulatory Reform Committee

FROM: Anton Harb Jr.

1LT, US Army (Retired)

RE: Opposition To Michigan House Bills (HB) 5300, 5301 and 5302

DATE: October 2, 2021

I request the following testimony be included as part of the official record for the Regulatory Reform Committee meeting scheduled for October 5, 2021. My name is Anton Harb Jr., I am a first generation Palestinian American resident of the State of Michigan (MI), and currently reside in Macomb Township. I am a medically retired U.S. Army Officer, who served in combat during Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2005. Prior to becoming permanently and totally disabled in 2016, I served this country as a Federal Law Enforcement Officer in the following capacities: Special Agent, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Detroit Field Division (2012-2016), Special Agent, U.S Department of Treasury, Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA), Boston, MA (2010-2012), Task Force Officer (TFO), Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) (2011-2012), Boston, MA and Border Patrol Agent, United States Border Patrol, Sonoita, AZ (2008-2010). I am very proud of my current status as a MI medical cannabis patient and Caregiver. My service to my country has led me to becoming 100% VA service connected for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). I am also a cancer survivor and a suicide survivor. I wish to convey to this committee the importance medical cannabis played in allowing me to survive my wounds. I currently serve as the Veteran Advisor to the Board of Directors for the Hero Project, a MI based non profit organization, aimed at helping disabled veterans through monetary donations raised from MI's legal cannabis industry. I stand shoulder to shoulder with every MI medical cannabis patient and Caregiver, and aim to defend our current medical cannabis law which was overwhelmingly passed by Voter Referendum in 2008.

I vehemently oppose the introduction of HB 5300, 5301 and 5302. In both my professional and personal opinion, this proposed legislation represents an attack on the rights of all MI medical cannabis patients, with the most impact to MI's disabled veteran population. HB 5301, page 30 lines 24-26, proposes limiting registered Caregivers to servicing only 1 patient. The MI Caregiver system is vital in providing medicine to disabled veterans, who otherwise fear repercussions for using medical cannabis, and the exposure visiting a provisioning center can create. Repercussion fears include losing VA medical benefits or military pensions. Many veterans suffering with PTSD and Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI) rely on the personal nature the Caregiver/patient relationship provides. Veterans are not always willing or able to frequent medical provisioning centers. The high costs and general distrust in the quality of dispensary products forces many veterans to rely on Caregivers. I have always known legally operating Caregivers to provide safe, quality medicine to those in need. Veterans are often forced to live

on fixed incomes which restricts their ability to pay for dispensary products. This legislation would force countless veterans to lose access to the only source of medicine they can afford. The thought of turning any veteran away from their source of medicine is reprehensible. This legislation premises itself on "safety" and regulation. I have been unable to find a single case where anyone has been injured by Caregiver produced cannabis flower since the law was enacted in 2008. In fact, I am sure a review of the METRC data system would reveal Caregiver product being welcomed into the licensed medical system as recently as 1 year ago. The Caregiver system has never been broken. People abusing the Caregiver system are already operating outside the law the people voted for. The answer is to enforce the laws on the books. Whether you are in favor or against cannabis, voting in favor of this legislation will absolutely have a negative impact on MI's veteran population.

HB 5301 Page 32 line 29 and page 33 lines 1-4, proposes allowing the MRA to provide State Police and local law enforcement with address information of Primary Caregivers. As a former law enforcement officer, I am deeply troubled by this proposal. This information has always been regarded as protected confidential health information. By freely providing this information we would be providing a tool for law enforcement officers to "fish" for Probable Cause. An overwhelming majority of Caregivers are legally operating within the confines of the current law. This proposal will encourage negative, and unnecessary law enforcement encounters with citizens who are legally exercising their duties to MI patients, especially in communities of color historically disadvantaged by the war on drugs. This would set up an open season on Caregivers, many who already operate in cannabis hostile local municipalities. I am dismayed at how interested the government is in what citizens are doing behind the doors of their 4th amendment protected residences.

In closing, this is not about plant counts, safety or any other red herring the corporate lobbyists are attempting to sell to this committee. This is about corporate greed and the attempted rekindling of the cannabis war so the wealthy can profit. The reality is compliance with any new legislation would likely be low, which would result in further drains on an already stressed legal system. We would turn disabled citizens who have been operating without issues for 12 years into common criminals. For me, this is an organized, methodical attempt by wealthy corporations to force our most vulnerable patients towards corporate owned medical dispensaries. I respectfully request this committee allow HB 5300, 5301 and 5302 to die without further consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anton Harb Jr. 716-553-6935 <u>Tfire136@gmail.com</u> Macomb Township, Michigan

From:

Curtis Crump <curtis.crump@icloud.com>

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 4:57 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I am concerned for my patients who can't afford the high prices of medical marijuana products offered by dispensaries for their medical conditions. This is detrimental to my patients that rely on the patient/care giver system. Please do not change the system that we all voted for over 10 years.

Sincerely, Curtis G. Crump 5454 Country Hearth Ln. Grand Blanc, Mi. 48439 810-444-8488

From:

Malvin Essak <malvinessak24@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 9:15 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HBs 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for the October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing. I can't afford to pay the prices at current medical marijuana recreational and medical dispensaries.

Sincerely Malvin Essak

From:

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 9:27 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

#### Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck

I am writing to oppose HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. PLEASE ENTER MY FORMAL OPPOSITION INTO THE RECORD FOR OCTOBER 5TH'S REGULATORY REFORM COMMITTEE HEARING.

We as caregivers and patients will not be able to live with only 1 patient. That is only 20% of our current patients.

Sincerely, Brandon Korkis 47639 Nola dr, Macomb, MI 2488355637

From:

Rudell Salmo <rudell\_salmo@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 9:28 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hb 5300 ,5301, 5302 , 5319 , 5321 ,

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I am writing to oppose HBs 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for the October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing. I can't afford to pay the prices at current medical marijuana recreational and medical dispensaries.

Rudell hermez 586-818-6035

From:

Elin Bouchard <elin.bouchard@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 11:28 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

If caregivers no longer have the right to provide medicine for their patients, many patients will have to go without due to high prices at dispensaries. All of what we have worked for will be thrown away and there will be underground operations which will lead to incarceration. The prisons and jails will be filled with non-violent crimes only due to providing safe marijuana to patients. Tax payers should not be paying for overfilled prisons due to something that has been legal for good reason. Many people have to grow their own Marijuana to provide medicine for themselves and family members and often times would have to go without otherwise. There are children suffering from diseases such as epilepsy, cancer, and more. Many parents cannot afford to go to dispensaries and spend hundreds of dollars on creams and tinctures. There are also adults that suffer from cancer, epilepsy, chronic pain, depression, anxiety, PTSD, multiple sclerosis, and more. A lot of these people already have to pay thousands for hospital bills and other medical expenses. Caregivers should continue to be able to provide meds for themselves and their patients. It is not fair to us, as caregivers, that we are being pushed to the side so that these new companies can have the entire market. We deserve to keep our rights and not be forgotten. There have never been any issues of "unsafe medicine" until it became an excuse for these companies. These companies are not realizing that their greediness will leave needy people without. They are making millions and millions of dollars and it is still not enough. We are not concerned about the money, we are concerned about keeping our rights as a people. If unsafe medicine is actually a concern, we should be able to pay to get our medicine tested just like these companies do. Thank you so much for taking time to read this email.

Sincerely, Elin Bouchard 53308 Joann Marie Drive Chesterfield, MI 48047 586-265-0816

From:

Nicholas Arroyo <nikobrown2820@icloud.com>

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 11:30 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear-Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

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Sincerely, Nicholas Arroyo 53308 Joann Marie Drive Chesterfield, MI 48047 586-662-2055

From:

Ferris <ferris1669@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 11:41 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

Dear honorable chairman hauck,

I am writing to oppose HBS 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321 please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5TH's regulatory reform committee hearing (price increase will Hurt patience)

Sincerely Ferris Paula

Thank you

From:

James Salmon < james.salmon777@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 8:41 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

I am writing to oppose HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory committee hearing.

Changes to the standing MMMP laws will adversely affect Caregivers and Patients alike while also harming local small businesses while solely benefiting Corporations and Corporate entities. The people that built this industry in Michigan will have food taken from their families table and handed to Corporate Giants who don't care about the people who worked hard to bring the industry to where it is today.

Best Regards,

James Salmon Portage, MI, 49002

From:

kathy I < kathyl\_68@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:10 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300 5301 5302 5319 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck

I am writing to oppose House bills 5300 5301 5302 5319 5321. Please enter my formal Opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

This will cause undo stress and burden to me and other patients. The licensed businesses cannot properly service patients especially those with cancer and life-threatening diseases in addition we cannot afford the prices big businesses charge therefore causing them to go without their medicine.

Sincerely

Katherine Lyon 13055 n bray rd Clio mi 48420

From:

Kenny Kassab < kennykassab@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:01 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300 5302 5319 5321

Dear Honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300 5301 5302 5319 5321.

Please enter my formal opposition into record for October 5 regulatory reform committee hearing.

I am and have been a Michigan medical marijuana caregiver since 2015.?I have five patients that rely on me. Two years ago I lost one of my patients Anisa King to cancer. I'm not a doctor, so I will not preach the health benefits of marijuana, but she definitely felt that cannabis helped her through the hard times.

Also I'm just against people monopolizing things as well as greedy corporate companies taking over local ways of living.

Respectfully kenny kassab 3149 Rabeeh Dr., Auburn Hills, MI 48326 5865526775

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From:

thomastanya25@yahoo.com

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:28 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300, 5301, 5302,5319,5321

#### Dear Honorable Hauck

I am writing to to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

My mother suffered a serious back and neck injury at work in 1988, she was left disabled and addicted to pain killers. She would pass out from the serious pain associated with her injury. When the MMMP became legal in 2009, she got her card and started using medical marijuana. She can work outside, can walk without assistance and has a better quality of life because of marijuana. I am her caregiver and supply her with marijuana products for her chronic pain. In addition, she is no longer using prescription pain killers. She is now 71, and her life is not perfect but she has relief that she has desperately needed for many years. Additionally, she cannot afford going to a dispensary for her medicine.

I am respectful request that we oppose changes to the medical marijuana caregivers program. I provide my patients with quality meds without toxins, herbicides and mold. The caregivers program is filled with many caring people providing top quality meds that many patients cannot afford to buy at a dispensary. Any changes to the current program would be devastating to many.

Please oppose the changes to the MMMP. Leave the program as it stands today. Thank you for your time.

Tanya Sedlarik 1039 Crawford St FLINT, MI 48507 810 610 5906

#### Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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From:

Timothy Allos <timothyallos@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:41 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I'm writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. My job working at a hydro store is really in jeopardy and also the 80 other employees being employed at the HGS hydro stores. We need to save these caregivers and also save my job!

Timothy Allos 42611 beechwood dr, Sterling Heights, MI 586-930-8282

From:

Chelsea Shaker <chelsea.shaker@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:56 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

#### Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB 5300-5301-5302-5319 and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing. I feel my rights as a patient are being violated as my caregiver is directly threatened therefore I am directly threatened with my medical treatment being unavailable to me, and my caregiver being labeled illegal for something they have supplied and helped with for over a decade. Our original law under the MMMP of 2008 should not be altered.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Kimber 6128 w. Dodge road Clio, MI 48420 810-280-0346

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

Brit Kurzyniec <brit.kurzyniec@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:00 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee meeting.

As a Michigan Medical Marijuana Program patient and caregiver I do not think the law should be changed.

Sincerely, Britney Kurzyniec 515 Maus Avenue Ypsilanti, MI 48198 734-717-1315

From:

Hillary Bahri <hillary@hblawpllc.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 11:14 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

RE: HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for the October 5<sup>th</sup> Regulatory Reform Committee Hearing.

I oppose this bill because it infringes upon the rights and wants of the Michigan voters. This bill will hurt so many patients and caregivers as we reduce the amount of patients per caregiver — it will be close to impossible to attend to patient's needs should we pass this bill. Cannabis is a piece of medicine that is needed by so many, and it is not covered by insurance. We have out of state companies who are intruding on our territory causing problems in an industry that Michigan took the lead on. They are intruding on caregivers and patients to monopolize the market and inflate their prices. Put the people of Michigan first not these out of state conglomerate companies. WE THE MICHIGAN PEOPLE OPPOSE THIS BILL.

#### Hillary R. Bahri, Esq.

Attorney and Counselor at Law 101 West Big Beaver Rd. Suite 1402 Troy, Michigan 48084 (248) 854-4200 hillary@hblawpllc.com



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From:

Jen <jlindemann1985@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 11:19 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321

Clerk Wingrove,

HB 5300,5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321 is a package of soulless bills that have money, greed, and profit over patient written all over it.

Caregivers are for patients. They grow compassionately, for the chronically ill and those with other ailments such as cancer, seizures, autism, PTSD and the list goes on.

The MCMA and Mr. Steve Linder is for big money and the weekend user.

Medical and rec are very separate programs for a reason. To keep big money out and the medicine low to no cost for sick patients.

We need more caregivers, not less. Many patients are underserved and broke, going without quality and affordable medicine because there are not enough Caregivers to go around.

If any change was made, it should be to allow Caregivers to provide for ANY MEDICAL PATIENT who has a card in Michigan, just so no patient gets left behind.

Most patients can't afford dispensary prices and the quality of medicine they need isn't available in a dispensary.

To attempt, or even think of limiting a Caregiver to 1 patient is a disgrace to every sick man, woman and child in Michigan. We are in a pandemic and these bills aim to kick vulnerable people off of their affordable medicine.

These bills also aim to make extractions illegal. So butter, edibles, oil, wax, tincture, lotion would be banned. That is what most people rely on for chronic pain, to help seizures and symptoms associated with autism.

These bills will make it so that 4 out of 5 patients lose their Caregiver and have to go back to pharmaceutical medicine, or get a lower quality of medicine for more money from a dispensary or just end their life entirely.

I'm requesting that you and the committee withdraw HB 5300, 5301 5302, 5319 and 5321

Please keep my comments for the record.

Sincerely,

Jenny Lindemann MSW
Patient Advocate with MI ASA
6110 DeLand Rd Flushing, MI 48433

From:

Stefanos Doulos <stefanosdoulos@rocketmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 11:56 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

>> Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

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>> I am writing to oppose HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee meeting.

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>> I strongly disagree with the changes proposed.

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- >> Sincerely,
- >> Stefanos Doulos
- >> 517 Maus Avenue
- >> Ypsilanti, MI 48198
- >> 734 635 3113

From:

Cammie Perdue <perdueca79@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 11:56 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I aw writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I am a medical marijuana patient and rely on my trusted caregiver for quality products. I am currently disabled but have my masters in social work; I suffer from migraines with severe nausea and muscle spasms. I have tried many pharmaceutical medications and discovered I have many allergies and intolerances to these lab-created medications. Marijuana provides me with relief from my migraines and nausea when nothing else can. I get so ill with migraines that I have been unable to keep pills down at times. Marijuana is the only thing that works with this type of nausea I experience. My caregiver provides medical marijuana to me *free of charge*. I would not be able to get access to quality medications if the current caregiver model, voted in by the people, goes away. The prices at the dispensaries are very high and if this model were to go away, I expect that the prices in the dispensaries will increase. This would make access to medication, for myself, unobtainable and I would needlessly suffer, possibly having to utilize the emergency rooms and medical system more frequently.

I want to thank you personally for taking the time to read my letter. The patient/caregiver system was voted in by the people and it is working. I ask that you please think of people like me, who truly suffer and *need* access to our chosen caregiver and vote in opposition to HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321.

Sincerely,

Camila Perdue 4512 N. Saginaw Rd #1307 Midland, MI 48640 989-295-9068

Make yourself proud.

From:

Shaun <sddthatsme@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 11:57 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing. I ask to oppose because I have patients that have serious medical issues and can not travel and or can not afford higher prices.

Sincerely, Shaun Dunhuber 9428 Lake rd. Otisville, Mi. 48463

A myriad thanks for your time and support in these matters. Wishing you a great day!

From:

River Leon <riverleon@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 12:00 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hb 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose Hb 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I have been a caregiver for years now, I provide my registered patients with medicines that benefit their specific conditions in an affordable and personalized manner I can not imagine a larger corporate operation being able or willing to accommodate.

I view the current push to limit or eliminate the patient caregiver program as little more than big business attempting to increase their market share at the cost of Michigan's medical patients.

River Leon 1525 prospect st Flint Mi 48503 810-447-4713

From:

Carrie Thayer < kiwi48848@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 12:22 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck~

I am writing to oppose HBs 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan Caregivers provide an essential service to the patients of Michigan. Products tailored specific to each patients needs and requirements is not a service the licenced grows can provide. My caregiver provides clean, helpful medicine to myself and his other patients.

These changes are being brought to you from OUT OF STATE BIG BUSINESS. Caregivers spend the little money they receive in their local area, keeping money local!

I request no changes to the current medical marijuana program.

Sincerely, Carolyn Thayer 6653 Winegar Rd Laingsburg, MI 48848 (517)282-8852

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

Nicole Carothers < carothers629@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 12:24 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302 5319, and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5ths regulatory reform committiee hearing. It is important to me that I maintain my patient/caregiver relationship because I am unable to grow my own medical Marijuana. I also prefer the personal relationship that I have with my caregiver, rather then just going into a dispensary. I believe caregivers are necessary! Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,
Nicole Carothers
4817 W. River Rd. Muskegon Mi. 49445
(231)719-7230

From:

Lawrence Manni <lowe703@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:02 AM

To:

**Molly Wingrove** 

Subject:

HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan caregiver program was voted in by the people, and has been working very well for patients like me all these years. It would be a shame if big business and lobbyist destroyed a good government program. Please oppose these bills, because it would directly effect may patients of this program.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Manni

From: Randal Meyer <executivedirector@globalcannabiscommerce.org>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 3:52 PM

To: Molly Wingrove

Cc: Rep. Roger Hauck (District 99); Rep. Michele Hoitenga (District 102); Rep. Kevin Hertel

(District 18); Molly Wingrove

Subject: Letter to House Committee on Regulatory Reform on House Bill 5300, 5301 and 5302,

"Michigan Cannabis Safety Act"

Attachments: Letter on Michigan HB 5300 5301 and 5302.pdf

#### To Whom It May Concern:

Please see the attached letter from the Global Alliance for Cannabis Commerce on House Bill 5300, 5301 and 5302, "Michigan Cannabis Safety Act". Thank you.

Best Regards,

## Randal John Meyer

#### Executive Director



444 W. C Street, Suite 400 San Diego CA 92101 www.globalcannabiscommerce.org (585) 747-1811(c)



October 5, 2021

Michigan House Committee on Regulatory Reform Anderson House Office Building 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48933

To The Members of the Michigan House Committee on Regulatory Reform:

Thank you for your attention to this letter. We, the Global Alliance for Cannabis Commerce write to express deep concerns with and opposition to the House Bill 5300, 5301 and 5302, what lobbyists have labeled as the "Michigan Cannabis Safety Act." The Global Alliance for Cannabis Commerce is a 501(c)(6) trade organization representing over \$2 billion in cannabis market share, including some of the most popular brands in the state of Michigan.

As a cannabis industry group representing Michigan businesses and business in highly-regulated cannabis environments nationwide, in our estimation, the concerns of the Michigan Caregivers United (MCU), the Michigan state Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, NORML Michigan, and Michigan Cannabis Industry Association (MCIA) are well-founded, have the far-better of the policy arguments, and we cannot agree with our industry colleagues in the Michigan Cannabis Manufacturers Association (MCMA).

With respect, the proposed legislation will not substantially add to public health or safety, will substantially increase barriers to access for medical patients for obtain medical cannabis, and serves no substantial purpose for the Michigan cannabis industry. It will serve only to increase market concertation, reduce consumer choice, and perform substantial carve-outs for large Multi-State Operators (MSOs), to the detriment of socially and economically disadvantaged businesses, patients, and adult individuals.

As far as we can tell, and we would be happy to be corrected, there is no ongoing public health crisis regarding exigencies from cannabis use from home grows or caregivers in Michigan. There is not one iota of publicly available, empirically valid data showing that the cannabis produced by these sources is unsafe or in need of further regulation such as is applicable to commercial cannabis. There is partially available polling data showing that Michiganders would like for all cannabis to be equally safe for consumption. That is a perfectly reasonable and mutually-agreeable proposition—and the current legal landscape is satisfactory to that purpose.

We thank you for your attention to these issues and the safety and health of our consumers and the entire Michigan industry and encourage you to ensure continued patient access from the currently-safe regulatory environment.

Best Regards,

Rezwan Khan President of the Global Alliance for Cannabis Commerce President of DNA Genetics

### Courtesy Copy:

Roger Hauck, Committee Chair Anderson House Office Building 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48933

Michele Hoitenga, Majority Vice-Chair Anderson House Office Building 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48933

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Molly Wingrove, Committee Clerk House of Representatives P.O. Box 30014 Lansing, MI 48909-7514

From:

Phil Perdue <plpamp@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 12:26 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

The patient/caregiver system was voted in by the people and it is working and I request that you vote in to HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. The caregivers are able to know the unique needs of the patients that they provide medication for unlike a dispensary.

Sincerely,

Philip Perdue 5406 Gardenbrook Dr. Midland, MI 48642 989-750-2226

From:

Julie Atkinson < julielovesartteaching@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 1:00 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, and 5321 Please enter my formal opposition into record for October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing.

I feel it is necessary to keep the Medical Marijuana program going, and this will almost certainly help in its decline. Thank you and have a nice day,

Julie Atkinson

5076 N Shore Rd Pinconning, MI 48650

Sent from my iPhone, Julie Atkinson

From:

Jessica K. <rainsoft.jessn@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 1:03 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

I want to keep my caregiver and it makes it easier for me to obtain and know the quality of my medication. They paved the way for the dispensaries we have now and it is fair to them to keep a grandfather clause to protect them. We need our caregivers.

Sincerely, Jessica Newcombe 1382 Iva St Burton, MI 48509

From:

Thomas L Preston <thomas.l.preston@predev.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 1:12 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Importance:

High

Dear Honorable Chair Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5<sup>th</sup>'s regulatory reform committee hearing.

I oppose this because I am myself a caregiver and I do not believe these bills will do any good. It is too much restriction on us as we do provide a public service for our patients and seeing as this is our livelihood it is to be taken seriously and must be thought-out.

Sincerely,

Thomas L Preston II 11307 Merriman Rd, Livonia MI 48150 734-646-4617 (Cell)

#### Thomas Preston II

Go gle Ads & Analytics Marketing Director (734)-439-2462 (Phone) (734)-439-1461 (Fax)
Thomas L. Preston@Predev.com

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From:

Adam Ybarra <contactadamybarra@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 1:23 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hb 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

I AM WRITING TO OPPOSE HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319,5321. PLEASE ENTER MY FORMAL OPPOSITION INTO THE RECORD FOR OCTOBER 5TH'S REGULATORY REFORM COMMITTEE HEARING.

Sincerely, Adam Ybarra 2724 Ashton Drive Saginaw MI 9899961443

From:

jaystubbs00@yahoo.com

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 1:30 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300 5301 5302 5319 5321

These bills are an infringement upon the voters wants and needs. The patient-caregiver relationship is unique and dynamic. Allows for precision healing and one on one healing relationship. Please vote NO change and keep the voice of the people intact. These bills eliminate small craft farmers and is pro corporate takeover of our state. The cannabis community of the nation is watching. Michiganders don't want this.

Thank you!

Jason Stubbs

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

Jon Shannon < liesmakeusevil 2003 @yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 1:58 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Oppose HB's 5300,5301,5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck (Representative Annette Glenn) (Senator Jim Stamas),

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I am a medical marijuana patient and rely on my trusted caregiver for quality products. I am currently unable to work; I suffer from severe back pain and muscle spasms. I have tried many pharmaceutical medications and discovered I have many allergies and intolerances to these lab-created medications. Marijuana provides me with relief from my pain when nothing else can. My caregiver provides medical marijuana to me *free of charge*. I would not be able to get access to quality medications if the current caregiver model, voted in by the people, goes away. The prices at the dispensaries are very high and if this model were to go away, I expect that the prices in the dispensaries will increase. This would make access to medication, for myself, unobtainable and I would needlessly suffer, possibly having to utilize the emergency rooms and medical system more frequently.

I want to thank you personally for taking the time to read my letter. The patient/caregiver system was voted in by the people and it is working. I ask that you please think of people like me, who truly suffer and need access to medications from our chosen caregiver and vote in opposition to HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321.

Sincerely,

Jon Shannon Eastlawn Dr apt #15 Midland, MI 48642 989-708-7507

From: dany bajocka <dbajocka@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 1:57 PM

To: Molly Wingrove

**Subject:** HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

#### Dear honorable chairman HAUCK

I'm writing to oppose HB'S 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321, please entry my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing,

The reason is price increase for patients as well as quality, patients will be devastated,

Sincerely!!

Dany Bajocka 15640 Tudor st. Macomb. Mi. 48044 586-651-0975

From:

Amie Carter <amiecarter012@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 2:03 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Oct 5th

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I am emailing you to ask if I could please get some time for public comment on HB5300, HB5301 and HB5302. I am a parent of a minor medical marijuana patient and I would be there representing the other 293 minor patients and their families in the state of Michigan. It is imperative that you hear what I have to say. These bills would be detrimental in the continuing care of the children who use medical marijuana as their medicine.

I look forward to hearing from you, Amie Carter 4307 Beechwood Ave., Burton MI 48509

810-614-3258

Sent from my iPhone

From:

ryan bringold <ryanbringold@att.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 29, 2021 3:57 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Speaking time

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Good afternoon,

I would like to speak at the committee hearing on October 5 th 2021. Please add me to this list Ryan Bringold

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Tina Gehres <tina.cfs1111@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 30, 2021 4:37 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hearing on HB5300 on October 5, 2021

Attachments:

Editorial MI HB5301 Final.docx

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Dear Ms. Wingrove,

I would like to appear via Zoom Meeting at the committee hearing on the above-referenced date in opposition to HB5300 et seq. Please confirm my reservation and provide a link to attend this hearing along with any additional information I may require to attend.

Attached is an editorial letter that has been published in various newspapers in Michigan, and which I am submitting as part of my testimony.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tina K. Gehres, Esq. (808) 282-6148

From:

Tina Gehres <tina.cfs1111@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 30, 2021 4:37 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hearing on HB5300 on October 5, 2021

Attachments:

Editorial MI HB5301 Final.docx

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Dear Ms. Wingrove,

I would like to appear via Zoom Meeting at the committee hearing on the above-referenced date in opposition to HB5300 et seq. Please confirm my reservation and provide a link to attend this hearing along with any additional information I may require to attend.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tina K. Gehres, Esq. (808) 282-6148

### MI 2021 HB5300 et seq.

#### Dear Editor:

As an attorney and Michigan native, I am speaking out against Michigan House Bills 5300-5302 ("HB 5300 et seq.") that were recently introduced in the Michigan Legislature. These Bills are another thinly veiled attempt by large corporate interests to maximize their profits at the expense of the most vulnerable among us. In fact, one of the biggest proponents of these Bills is the Michigan Cannabis Manufacturers Association, an organization whose corporate members are lobbying heavily throughout Michigan in an effort to grab a bigger slice of the cannabis market for themselves. They have been actively lobbying local and state governments to enact laws, regulations and practices which will squeeze out localized caregivers in favor of increasing their corporate profits.

Under these proposed laws, caregivers, who have traditionally grown and supplied relatively small quantities of medical marijuana ("MM") for individuals in their local communities—their neighbors—will be limited to growing or supplying MM for only one patient. Currently, caregivers are limited to 5 individuals for whom they may supply MM, which is already a low number, but HB 5300 et seq. will inevitably wipe out many of these local growers in favor of big corporations. And, as similar laws have been enacted in other states, the prices of these life-saving products (and profits for these big corporations) have soared, preventing access to these plant-based treatments for residents who cannot afford the higher prices.

Local caregivers traditionally provide many services above and beyond what these corporatized interests do. They are your neighbors--a listening ear during times of crisis. Caregivers not only assist individuals in selecting the appropriate strain for their needs, they provide personalized support to each individual, often at a reduced cost—and that cuts into the profits of the big players in the market, who then hire lobbyists to change the laws in their favor. They don't seem to care whether patients have access to these treatments. Their overarching motive is money.

In contrast, caregivers establish a personal relationship with each individual, and perhaps most importantly, most of them truly care! In an increasingly impersonal and corporatized society, many of these local caregivers remain an example of what is right and good in our world.

I'm speaking out because I know from personal experience that local caregivers save lives. Approximately 6-7 years ago, a close loved one was suffering from frequent seizures. What was worse, though, were the debilitating side effects from the pharmaceuticals she had to take in order to control the seizures. She was unable to hold down a full-time job, be there for her family, or otherwise lead a normal life because of the debilitating side effects. In short, she was headed down

the path of collecting disability benefits--becoming another recipient of our tax dollars. As she was in her 20's at the time, that would have meant perhaps 60 years of disability benefits being paid out to her over her lifetime—amounting to somewhere in the neighborhood of \$700,000 of our tax dollars going to support her—not to mention her poor quality of life.

Instead of accepting her situation as fate, I did some research and found that MM and CBD tinctures have proven to be safe and effective in treating seizures for some people. We then researched how to obtain these substances in Michigan and my loved one connected with a local caregiver who assisted her in obtaining her MM card. Her caregiver also aided in determining the appropriate strain and dosage to control her seizures, and addressed any concerns she had through the process—all at an affordable cost and with very limited side effects! I could barely believe it. It was the miracle we had been hoping for, and her caregiver was key in making it happen!

Today, this loved one's seizures are controlled without pharmaceuticals and she leads a fulfilling life with a full-time job. She is able to be there for her family and enjoys many of the simple things in life that so many of us take for granted. Without a caregiver to take her under his wing and assist her when she needed real solutions and had little money, my loved one would have been left taking pharmaceuticals and collecting disability benefits. She simply would not have been able to afford the high corporate prices for her treatments, and would have been relegated to taking pharmaceuticals that her insurance covered.

Don't let these corporate interests fool you. HB 5300 et seq. is about maximizing their profits, period. These corporate profiteers have suggested this bill will raise more tax revenue, but what they have neglected to mention is all the people who will lose access to MM--and all the tax dollars paid out in disability, unemployment and other benefits because patients who need MM will no longer have access to it. We must *increase* access to these treatments, not limit it. And Michigan voters agree. It was you, the voters, who approved the caregiver system in 2008 by majority vote, and now corporate interests are working to undermine your will. Don't let them get away with it!

Please write or call your state representative and tell him or her to vote NO on HB 5300 et seq. If these series of Bills are defeated, there is no doubt in my mind that you'll be preventing a great deal of unnecessary suffering. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tina K. Gehres, Esq. Concerned Citizen

From:

Brandon Haisha <br/> brandon.haisha@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 6:27 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300 5301 5302 5319 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan caregiver program was voted in by the people, and has been working very well for patients like me all these years. It would be a shame if big business and lobbyist destroyed a good government program. Please oppose these bills, because it would directly effect may patients of this program.

Sincerely, Brandon Haisha 3748 Eaton Gate Ln, Auburn Hills, MI 48326 5868640678

From:

Billy Bass <br/> <br/>billybass0405@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 5:33 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300.5301.5302.5319,5321

DEAR HONORABLE CHAIRMAN HAUCK,

I am writing to oppose HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October5th's regulatory committee hearing.

Changes to the standing MMMP laws will adversely affect Caregivers and Patients alike while also harming local small businesses while solely benefitingCorporations and Corporate entities. The people that built this industry in Michigan will have food taken from their families table and handed to Corporate Giants who don't care about the people who worked hard to bring the industry to where it is today.

Sincerely,

Brian

From:

john roy <motorcity0405@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 5:07 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300.5301.5302.5319,5321

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Best regards,

Brian

From:

JOSEPH MANNI <joey.manni@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 3:00 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Re: Caregiver

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan caregiver program was voted in by the people, and has been working very well for patients like me all these years. It would be a shame if big business and lobbyist destroyed a good government program. Please oppose these bills, because it would directly effect many patients of this program.

Sincerely,

Thank You,

Joseph Manni

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From:

Shoma Matty <mattyshoma@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 1:25 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

#### Dear honorable chairman Hauck

I am writing to a pose HB's 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I am asking you to make no changes to the caregiver system and withdraw how to spell 5301, 2021. It causes undue burden on patients. The licensed businesses cannot properly service us. Especially those with cancer and like me with life-threatening disease. In addition we cannot afford the prices businesses charge causing us to go without our medication.

Sincerely Shoma Matty 1076 Rochelle Park Dr., Rochester Hills, MI 48309 248-703-8562

From:

rami dado <ramidwireless@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 11:10 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

H8 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

Sincerely, Rami Dado 586-552-9208

From:

Tiffany Brown < tiffanysydney 1984@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:58 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Please oppose Hb 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321!!

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose Hb 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I have been a patient for years , I've been provided for marvelously by my caregiver ... I truly couldn't imagine big business taking the care of me the way he has .

I have crippling aniexity that's made me homebound for nearly 14 years doctor's had me on 22 different medications that had numerous side effects..

It really effected my life negatively

I'm only on 3 medications now.. & none of that would have been possible without my caregiver.

He in a very affordable and personalized manner provided the best effective & safe medicine that ive ever had where larger corporations failed- my caregiver didn't.

Please don't let big business increase their market share at the cost of Michigan's medical patients.

From:

Madi Haisha <madihaisha@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:22 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan caregiver program was voted in by the people, and has been working very well for patients like me all these years. It would be a shame if big business and lobbyist destroyed a good government program. Please oppose these bills, because it would directly effect may patients of this program.

Sincerely, Madi Haisha

48140 Stapleton Ave Macomb MI 48042 586.604.0141

From:

P H <paul.haisha@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 10:12 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

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Sincerely, Paul Haisha

48140 Stapleton Ave Macomb MI 48042 586.718.4547

From:

Andy Tavarez <thedjsento@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 9:50 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Caregiver act

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

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Sincerely, Andrio Tavarez

From:

phatt fruity <phattfruity@gmail.com> Monday, October 4, 2021 8:49 PM

Sent: To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Hb5300, hb5301, hb5302, hb5319, hb5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose House bills 5300, 5301,5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5ths regulatory commission hearing.

I am opposed to the proposed changes outlined in these bills for the following reasons. The current caregiver system was adopted by the people and for the patients of Michigan. It operates through a system of compassion for patients, earned and shared knowledge among caregivers, and truly a grass roots community that provides superior products to patients that frankly can't afford going to dispensaries. I understand that corporations feel that it is losing revenue and wants to disband the "competition". The reality is that caregivers are not competition but, instead, the compassion of the medical marijuana market and need to remain intact without change. And as a caregiver, I am absolutely astonished at the amount of recalls of already sold products that take place within the regulatory cannabis market. It is absolutely audacious for any of these licensed facilities to campaign against caregivers on the stance of clean medicine.

Sincerely, Brandina schwalm 608 mill Street East Jordan, Michigan 989-464-1951

From:

Joe Michaels <joekz26059@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 8:10 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regularity reform committee hearing.

We as the people and patients of this community and state voted the current medical marijuana laws into effect. The system is working great. Now people are trying to change the laws so big corporations can come in and cut the caregivers out forcing the patients to go to dispensary's that are overpriced and aren't suited to take care of their needs, especially cancer patients. Please leave the laws as they currently are so we the patients can keep getting our medicine at an affordable and fair cost from the caregivers that we choose. Thank you.

Sincerely, Joseph Michaels 23596 N Rockledge Novi, MI 48375 734-788-3358

From:

Basman Hajjar <benhajjar@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 7:56 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5302,5319,5321

Dear honorable chairman hauck

Fam writing you to oppose HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321 Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing Basman Hajjar

6713 shadowood dr

West Bloomfield,mi 48322

248-202-7500

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Barry Rinard <rinardbr85@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 7:54 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5321, 5321

Dear Chairman Hauck. I am asking that you make no changes to the Caregiver system and withdraw House Bills 5300-5302, 5319, 5321, 2021. It causes an undue burden on patients. The licensed businesses cannot properly service them, especially those with cancer and life threatening diseases. In addition they cannot afford the prices businesses charge, therefore causing them to go without. Patients like myself need the plant count to be able to get our meds. Thank You

Barry Rinard 811 Hall Rd Quincy MI 49082 5173173686

From:

Richard Shunia < richman1012@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 6:07 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

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Sincerely,

Richard Shunia 1915 Applebrook Drive Commerce MI, 48382 248-388-5333

From:

Ursula Kallabat <kallabatu@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 5:58 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauk,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. I ask for my formal opposition to be on record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee Hearing.

I believe in the availability of medication(s) for all patients at just and fair pricing. These bills conflict with the notion that marijuana is grown for the good of those who need it.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Ursula Kallabat 36769 Cherry Oak Dr. Westland, MI 48186

From:

Alen Yousif <alenyousif17@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 4:32 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

- > Dear honorable chairman hauck,
- > I am writing to oppose HBS 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321 please enter my
- > formal opposition into the record for October 5TH's regulatory reform
- > committee hearing ( price increase will hurt patients)

Sincerely

Alen yousif

From:

babas\_laith2000@yahoo.com

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 4:31 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Re: HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

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- >> I am writing to oppose HBS 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321 please enter my
- >> formal opposition into the record for October 5TH's regulatory
- >> reform committee hearing ( price increase will Hurt patience)
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- >> Sincerely
- saif jajeka

Thank you

From:

babas\_laith2000@yahoo.com

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 4:29 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

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Sincerely Ferris Paula

Thank you

From:

Nicholas Matti <nicholas.j.matti@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 7:16 PM

To:

**Molly Wingrove** 

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's Regulatory reform committee meeting.

I as a medical marijuana patient cannot afford to be taken advantage of by conglomerate marijuana growers both in our state and from others. My current caregiver knows my medical conditions and produces specific strains for my needs at a price I can afford and a quality that mass production growers cannot touch. These large industrial growers only have profits in mind and do not care about the actual patients of our state. Please vote down these house bills for the sake of all the patients who truly depend on their caregivers.

Sincerely, Nicholas J. Matti 42891 Richmond Dr. Sterling Heights, MI 48313 1(586)303-5525

From:

RICHIE MANNI < richardmanni@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 6:59 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan caregiver program was voted in by the people, and has been working very well for patients like me all these years. It would be a shame if big business and lobbyist destroyed a good government program. Please oppose these bills, because it would directly effect may patients of this program.

Sincerely,

Richie Manni

From:

Kalvin Shunia <kalvinshunia@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 6:33 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB's 53000, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

The Michigan caregiver program was voted in by the people, and has been working very well for patients like my father who was diagnosed with multiple myeloma. It would be a shame if big business greed and lobbyist destroyed a good government program. Please oppose these bills, because it would directly effect many patients of this program who rely on medical marijuana.

Sincerely,

Kalvin Shunia

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Best regards,

Kalvin Shunia (248) 755-0785 kalvinshunia@gmail.com

From:

Bassam Dano <bassamdano@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 2:50 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

DEAR HONORABLE CHAIRMAN HAUCK,

I AM WRITING TO OPPOSE HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. PLEASE ENTER MY FORMAL OPPOSITION INTO THE RECORD FOR OCTOBER 5TH'S REGULATORY REFORM COMMITTEE HEARING.

Take away caregivers will hurt all the patients due to high prices that's they can't afford.

SINCERELY, Bassam Dano 5862140866

From:

ramona genesee3c.com <ramona@genesee3c.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 3:20 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee Hearing.

I stand in opposition to these proposed bills as a patient, a caregiver and as a citizen of Michigan who voted for the Citizens Initiated Medical Marijuana Laws of 2008. These proposed changes will decrease all patients access to disease specific medicines and destroy small scale businesses that have been founded both within and outside of the Medical Marijuana community. The enacted laws of 2008 provide all guidance and compliance necessary to safely and legally operate and fulfill the patient/caregiver relationship. No further changes are necessitated or warranted.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully, Ramona Rupinski 12164 Dodge Rd Otisville, Mi. 48463 810-618-1771

From:

Stephen Haro <s.t.haro@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 3:29 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose bills 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I provide cannabis for five patients and am able to provide free cannabis to two of those patients because they have severe medical need and are not able to afford it. Their cannabis is effectively subsidized by my paying patients. One of my patients suffers from seizures. If these bills pass I will no longer be able to provide her with free cannabis and the dispensaries will not either.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Stephen Haro 1703 S Niagara St Saginaw, MI 48602 314-488-4624

Sent from my iPhone

From:

rupins517 < rupins517@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 4, 2021 3:39 PM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 3500,3501,3502, 5319,5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee Hearing.

I have been a Registered Caregiver since 2009. I have never had a patient get sick or have cause for concern with the medicine I have provided. The personal relationships I have built with my patients over the years have provided a far more intimate knowledge of patients needs and concerns and an ability to meet those requirements through a personalized service. I have taken classes, attended seminars, made significant investments, and I am a tax payer as well. Being a Caregiver has provided income to my family in times when the job market was unable to. I have also built a non profit business for Patients and Caregivers, which employes over 20 people, has paid hundreds of thousands in taxes and regularly donates to charitable causes. The impact of passing these bills will not only be devastating for my family but for my patients, for my business, my employees, their families, and the 10000 plus active members in our organization.

Please feel free to contact me with concerns or questions.

Sincerely,
President, Jeremy Rupinski
Genesee County Compassion Club
6030 N Genesee
Flint, Mi 48506
8106181800
Rupins517@aol.com

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

PAND O N ENKE II WA E

# **Molly Wingrove**

From:

Arianna Elkins <ariannamarie53197@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 8:24 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for october 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I rely on small business patient/care giver interactions to treat chronic pain, muscle spasms, chronic anxiety. my friends rely on these reactions to pay their bills and follow their passions.

Sincerely,

Arianna Elkins 8214 Kensington Blvd Davison MI, 48423 8107300501

From:

chris jabbouri <christopherjabbouri@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 8:24 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300.5301.5302.5319.5321

I am writing to oppose HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory committee hearing.

Changes to the standing MMMP laws will adversely affect Caregivers and Patients alike while also harming local small businesses while solely benefiting Corporations and Corporate entities. The people that built this industry in Michigan will have food taken from their families table and handed to Corporate Giants who don't care about the people who worked hard to bring the industry to where it is today. Best Regards,

From:

Joshua Grafft <joshgrafft@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 8:30 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable chairman Hauck, I am writing to oppose please enter my formal opposition to HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321 into the record for October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing.

I oppose the above proposals for the medical paitents in Michigan that cannot access affordable, clean, and quality medicine without caregivers. I could not afford to do what I do if changes are made to the laws that were put in place years ago. We the people voted for those changes and I believe we should be able to have our say on them getting changed in the future. I request that no changes be made to the current laws in place for caregivers. Thank you for your time and consideration, a struggling local caregiver.

Thank you.

From:

happy littletreeco <chalicedoctor1@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 8:32 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauk,

I am writing to oppose HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition Into record for the October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing.

I oppose these bills because they would hurt families, sick people and take money and jobs out of towns across Michigan. This bill is not about safety it's about big business.

Stand up for people's rights please.

Sincerely Jonathan Bassett 1920 Roberts Ln Lansing, MI 48910 517-706-8206

From:

Paul Kello <pkello82@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:08 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

#### DEAR HONORABLE CHAIRMAN HAUCK,

I AM WRITING TO OPPOSE HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. PLEASE ENTER MY FORMAL OPPOSITION INTO THE RECORD FOR OCTOBER 5TH'S REGULATORY REFORM COMMITTEE HEARING.

AS A PATIENT, CAREGIVER MEDICATION IS MUCH MUCH MORE AFFORDABLE AND MORE PERSONALIZED TOWARDS MY NEEDS.

SINCERELY, PAUL KELLO 16587 MOORE PARK RD, MACOMB, MI 48044 (586) 707-1111

From:

Karl Qonja <kqonja@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:24 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck

□ I am writing to oppose HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I don't believe that its fair for big business to take away the caregiver act or change what was VOTED in BY THE PEOPLE just because they can throw money around to lobbyist. They are not concerned nor do they care what happens to the patients of these caregivers. They only want to line there pockets. Caregivers are growing quality organic product that is comparable to the State dispensary product at the quarter of the price to the patients. That's why Big Business wants to put an end to caregiver model. They want to make it too expensive to operate by limiting the patient and plant count so its not feasible to grow for the patient. The patients will get hurt. Most can't afford to buy from dispensaries and prefer to get the product from there caregiver that's why they are trying to pass this bill. Also there are hundreds of Grow shops that employ thousands of people that will probably close down as well. Only the company's in the stock market will stay open to sell equipment to state approved grows. These Bills should be VOTED on by the people. I pray that you will do what the people want you to do, the people who voted for all of you. Thank you for your time. God Bless America!

Sincerely, Karl Qonja 248-939-1337

From:

Elizabeth Flores <bebaslove2you@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:28 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

#### Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing. I am opposing this because this is the only way low income people and house holds can afford their much needed medicine. Everyone is already paying their fees for the cards and caregiver cards every other year. Not everyone can afford the prices at dispensaries. The price alone is high, then adding a 16% tax is just too much for some. We legalized this plant because we know of the health benefits it can have for people. This law is only going to benefit the dispensary owners and make them more money. Have some compassion for the people in your community who are struggling with financial issues, just trying to elevate their pain, mental illness, or chronic illness.

Sincerely Elizabeth Berendt 9920 Pence Hwy Blissfield, Mi 49228 5179185826

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From:	Swampy Acres <swampyacres906@gmail.com></swampyacres906@gmail.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:36 AM
To:	Molly Wingrove
Subject:	HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321
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Dear honorable chairman Hauck,

I am wiring to oppose HB's 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321
Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

I believe these bills will interrupt the already dwindling patient medical supply. This could cause thousands of in need people to lose their ability to affordable medicine. Caregivers are good people and want what's best for the patient. Having to turn to a dispensary as a patient would make me go bankrupt. We need access to affordable medicine. The products these caregivers grow are not only safe for patients but for dispensary's as well. The same products are what built our medical marijuana industry in Michigan as we know it.

Sincerely, Joshua Hall 871 sand river rd Deerton, Mi 49822 9062806942

Swampy Acres
Jaimi Cawley & Josh Hall

From:

John M < jmrocks1976@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:30 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

Opposition to HB 5301, 5300, 5302 and 5319,5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319,5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing.

I am a medical patient and use cannabis in place of opiates. I am an Army veteran and have had numerous issues with my back throughout my life. I have avoided surgery and put myself back on feet with this miracle of a plant. You need a larger not smaller amount of plants so you can do Gene selection! In short every plant is different just like your kids will be, even though they have the same parents. This is why they all have different effects. It is also imperative to have extra plants when you use it medicinally as a RSO oil, because when concentrated it becomes much less than expected.

Personally I could not afford to go through the state dispensaries to pay for these. When used medicinally your tolerance also goes up which means you use more. Please keep this plant as it is unless you're free it totally! Just because the grocery store is growing tomatoes down the street doesn't mean those are the ones I want to eat. The fact is it's a plant that is edible and medicinal, and everyone should be able to grow it in their yard without a license or limitations. I'm strictly organic and only eat food that I raised for myself, my medicine should be no different. Thanks for your consideration it is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

John Michael

Coldwater, Mi.

517-398-1855

From:

Gary Spearing <gz7777@sbcglobal.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:49 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing in to Oppose HB5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 5321 Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th regulatory reform committee hearing.

My reasons for this are that I have been a caregiver for over 10 years this program has helped no only my patients by myself tremendously I was one of the first in line when this program came out just as a patient this program removed all the prescription drugs these monsters had me on (I am bi-polar manic depressant diagnosed). It has improved my life exponentially just from that.

Then a friends uncle asked me to grow from him and I accepted, that was 10 years ago now I am growing for a full patient group and helping each out including that same first guy. I now have 5 patients and can pay my bills and costs each month along with taking care of myself. This program is incredible it's affordable to regular people allows for safe local cheap access, allows community to form instead of corporate structure to farm people for money. To me this program could be the best thing to happen to this state in a long long time.

Lastly there is a severe lack of affordable advancement into the legal market how can any one person expect to get started with being forced into green zones and property price gouging (2000 sq ft class C buildings run half million) and complete lack of property and limited licenses available?

How are regular people like myself and my patients suppose to defend ourselves against gigantic billionaire hedge groups like this ????????? ITS NOT FAIR they don't need more money or control stop them from picking on us.

Sincerely,

Gary M Spearing II

5919 Kings Arms Waterford MI 48327

248-920-6206

From:

Simon Hallak <safehallak@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 11:42 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

#### Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck

I'm emailing you to respectfully oppose HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for october 5th regulatory reform committee hearing. These bills will do nothing but kill jobs and hurt patients in the Great Lakes State.

Sincerely

Simon Hallak 37684 Adrian Dr Sterling Heights, MI 48310 Phone: 248 720 9320

From:

Darron Dillion <darron2210@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:46 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing you to oppose HB5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into today (October 5ths) regulatory reform committee hearing.

Approving this will greatly impact my business in a negative way

Sincerely,
Darron Michael Dillion
273 N Main St, Vermontville, MI 49096
517-745-5722

From:

IRA MARGOLIS <iramargolis123@aol.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:42 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321

#### Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose H B's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5's regulatory reform committee hearing. I believe the only reason that these rules are trying to be changed is because of corporate greed, money, and a very powerful lobby. If you'd like to change the way the caregivers are regulated I suggest you put to a vote of the people on a ballot.

Sincerely, Ira Margolis 32870 Bingham Lane Bingham Farms, MI 48025 2487706626

From:

Emmett Goldman <egoldman087@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:29 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HB's 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319 and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

Patients are in need of quality plants. Caregivers need their plant counts in order to continue providing quality medicine to patients. Please no changes to caregiver/patient program.

Sincerely, Emmett Goldman 2314 Amherst Rd, Kalamazoo, MI, 49006 773-677-8867

From:

gswinehart81 < gswinehart81@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:14 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear honorable Chairman Hauck, I am writing to oppose House Bills 5300,5301,5302,5319,5321. Please enter my opposition into the record for October 5ths regulatory reform committee hearing.

I moved to to Michigan 1 year ago from Tennessee for the legality to medicinally be a patient. I am on mental ssid. And the caregiver system has been very positive in the last year for myself. I don't see why this system should even be changed. Please count people like us in on this that need it. We need our caregivers. These new bills, will only hurt the patients, and caregivers.

Sincerely, Gregory Vern Swinehart 4290 s lake drive Prescott Michigan 48756

From:

D Fornell <blackeagledf@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 11:06 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321

Dear Honorable Clerk Wingrove, and Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to oppose HBs 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, and 5321. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's regulatory reform committee hearing.

Without the people that are a part of the Michigan Medical Cannabis/Marijauna/Marihuana caregiver community, I would not have been able to stop taking 2,160 prescription pills per year (one stimulant, and one benzodiazepine). Please reconsider your support of these House Bills. There are many stories similar to mine throughout Michigan.

Be well and take care.

Best regards, Declan Fornell 733 Northshore dr. Saint Clair Shores, MI. 48080 9374742029

From:

Alyson Doulos <alyson.doulos@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:01 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5319, 5302

I am writing to oppose HB 5300, 5301, 5319, 5302. Please enter my formal opposition into the record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee hearing.

As a licensed patient, I have a personal relationship with my caregiver, who grows medicine to address my specific needs in a safe and organic manner. Dispensaries have not provided the same level of care, compassion and integrity of product.

I support local businesses and the experienced caregivers who having been helping their communities from the start.

Thank you. Sincerely, Alyson E Doulos 2404 Twilight St Jackson, MI 49203 513.439.6880

From:

Kennedi Reign <kennedireign14@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:55 AM

To:

Molly Wingrove

Subject:

HB 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, 5321!

Dear Honorable Chairman Hauck,

I am writing to OPPOSE HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, AND 5321! Please enter my Formal OPPOSITION into the record for October 5th's Regulatory Reform Committee Hearing.

As a patient and a Caregiver, a mother, a business owner, a soon to be dual college graduate, a chef, a daughter, a friend and a recognized place of safety for not only my own but my community around me as well, I know first hand the hardships these limits as well as the lack of care in farming our medicine will impose if these bills are placed into action. Many patients young and elder, from birth to ages over 100 have regained quality of life with just this beautiful plant. From helping with Autism in our children to stopping one particular beautiful baby girl from having over 24 siezures a day- she plays and coos and is almost a year old now and healthy and happy and most importantly SIEZURE FREE!! All it took was a little research, loads of love from mom and her community and they found the correct cannabis strain with the appropriate the to cbd, cbg, and cbn ratios to where this miracle little girl can actually HAVE life from spontaneous moment to moment not just from momentary passing of siezure to siezure. As a survivor of Mental ailments myself, I know that not only do these things take time they can take quantity as well as quality as each patient requires something specific from their meds, this is wiere plant counts come in - a strain - while amazing for say said siezures may not ease the exostential pain of an elderly mill workers well worn joints - in turn you see the need for different strain requirements dependant on the patients mental/physical ailments - each plant surfacing meds every 9 to 12 weeks ... even with current allowances with a full patient load the 72 still many times does not fullfill a patients needs for that quarter let alone that year. The motion to limit caregivers even more so puts more strain on not only the patients but their families, their jobs, and in turn the economy as well. So you see Sir by taking my patients plants you may as well be taking not only their livlihoods and those around them, but for some it may even be their LIFE. Please COUNT THIS AFFADAVIT AS AN OFFICIAL OPPOSITION AGAINST HB'S 5300, 5301, 5302, 5319, AND 5321. #CAREGIVERSOVERCORPORATE #PATIENTSOVERPROFITS

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