

I am a resident of Deschutes County and ask you to vote NO on SB 365.

Please uphold system development charges on marijuana-related businesses and allow cities and counties to regulate the time, place, and manner of businesses within their jurisdiction. In my county, our commissioners were given the option to place a moratorium on marijuana business while they established time, place, and manner restrictions which would be supported by the local residents. It was a very long, arduous process to apply due diligence and thoughtful, cautious, and fair restrictions which would allow for some business activity, while limiting the negative impact of a new industry based on an addictive substance which has few guidelines/rules related to health and safety. Please do not UNDO this hard work at the local level.

There are NO good reasons for lifting restrictions on marijuana businesses when the state has 6.5 years worth of overproduction in stock right now. Exporting Oregon marijuana to other states is NOT a solution. We are already inundated with more marijuana businesses than our state can reasonably support. This is not the time to expand this industry.

Please do not vote in favor of bills which provide opportunities for the marijuana industry to get larger and more entrenched in our state. The costs to law enforcement, academic success of our children, worker productivity, traffic safety, and health are far greater than any possible revenue.

-Julie Spackman