

Please support this bill. It proposed common-sense restrictions on cannabis processing to industrial areas where adequate access, water, and fire services are available. A production and processing plant is proposed at a forested mountain location on Chehelem Mountain where I used to live. There are no hydrants, and the wells for these homes are already very deep; the aquifer will not sustain major cannabis production. Last summer, that heavily forested mountain neighborhood of homes and water-conscious agriculture was evacuated in the middle of the night because of a fast-moving fire that could only be fought by hand crews and trucked-in water. The mountain roads are narrow and winding; many are gravel; cross-country access is extremely limited and dangerous. A cannabis plant using combustible chemicals would be disastrous in such a location. The dangerous processing of cannabis should only be carried on in an industrial location where adequate water, fire hydrants, and high-level fire-fighting services are readily available. Do not place dangerous industrial processing plants in forested areas with limited water and access, or in areas where there are homes.