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To: House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources; others

**Re: I support [HB 2281]...with additional modifications.**

Listed below are a few recommendations for your consideration.

The Agricultural Department should ensure budgetary reliance through the creation of a "RESTRICTED USE FUND" in which all moneys from program requirements will be administrated.

Applicants should be REQUIRED to submit to: background checks, finger printing and provide a DNA sample. (The aforementioned submissions should be governed by Oregon State Police with funding provided by and from the Department of Agriculture's Applicant Fee structure.)

The Applicant's proposed "Hemp Operations: production and processing" should be permitted by the State of Oregon's Water Resources Department to establish, "Water Rights." Hemp is a very water intensive crop and water sources (i.e. Ground and or Surface Waters) should be analyzed for long term stability by the Water Masters to protect rural residents and other agricultural interests. Mandatory drip irrigation system must be required and thoroughly maintained.

The processing of all "Hemp" related products should be permitted solely in the nearest jurisdiction's "Commercial Zone."

The Inspections for compliance at the locations of Applicant's operations; for production, processing and sale should be carried out by the Oregon State Police and or any other Police Agencies without warrant and or prior notice. Fire Departments (and or Fire Districts) must also be given similar inspection rights.

Samples for Certified Laboratory analysis of Hemp production and processing should be taken without warrant, and or prior notification, with verifiable and tamper-proof "chain of custody."

Now for the SALE of Hemp products.

All Hemp products should carry "tamper-proof" identification for; identification of producer, product ingredients and some form of tracking device approved by the State of Oregon's Revenue Department to ensure each "sale of Hemp product" is accurately accounted for tax purposes.

Applicant will also pay for periodic, unannounced, and warrantless financial audits of their Hemp operations.

***Respectfully submitted,***

/s/ David S. Wall

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