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My family and I own and operate a vertically integrated hemp farm that makes and sells CBD products. We began with the CBD enterprise after I experienced how effectively CBD worked to manage my own chronic pain. We began producing our own CBD products specifically because labeling of said products at that time was so unclear. Labeling has since improved significantly. I firmly believe that all CBD products should have labeling requirements. Everyone can agree on this. My concern is that the language in this bill is vague. Before I could support such an initiative, I think the requirements and costs need to be spelled out more clearly.

Under this bill, registry would fall under OLCC governance. In the past, the OLCC's implementation of legislative directives has not always been in the spirit of the legislature's intent. Onerous requirements would increase the burden on an already weakened industry.

To be clear, we are not talking about labeling which would distinguish psychoactive cannabinoids from non-psychoactive. Those rules are already in place. It is not legal for CBD products to contain more than compliant (.3%) levels of THC. No legal CBD products would have levels above that unless they are licensed marijuana products, sold through dispensaries, with CBD added to a controlled marijuana product.

I would happily support labeling requirements that were clearly detailed both in scope and cost.