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Testimony in opposition to SB 907

Subject: Opposition to SB 907 – Unnecessary Administrative Burden

Chair Taylor, Vice Chair Bonham and Committee Members

For the record, my name is Anthony Taylor. I am the Legislative Director for Compassionate Oregon, an Oregon nonprofit corporation. I also hold the OMMP patient seat on the Oregon Cannabis Commission and advisory body to the OLCC and OHA on matters relating to medical cannabis. I also serve as its current Chair. My testimony today represents the position of Compassionate Oregon.

I am here today to bring your attention to SB 907, which mandates that the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) independently verify applicant-provided information regarding premises ownership with the respective county before licensing psilocybin manufacturers, as well as OLCC- or OHA-regulated marijuana producers and processors.

It is important to note that both the OLCC and OHA already require disclosure of the property owner if the applicant is not the owner. The agencies have existing procedures and forms in place to ensure that property owners provide signed consent for the manufacture of psilocybin or the production and processing of marijuana.

For your review, I provide members with the relevant statutes and administrative rules outlining these requirements, as well as the official forms used by the agencies to verify ownership. As these documents demonstrate, licensing or registration cannot proceed without properly completed and submitted ownership verification forms.

Requiring additional independent verification, including certified mail correspondence and notarized responses, would introduce an unnecessary administrative burden without providing meaningful benefits. The existing verification process is already sufficient to ensure compliance and accountability.

For these reasons, we strongly urge members to vote NO on SB 907.

Thank you for your time and consideration and I am happy to answer any questions

you may have.