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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Margo Lucas and I am an Oregon Cannabis Retailer and Producer. I strongly oppose the bill to individually package 10mg edibles. This past fall, we were approached by the local Monmouth Police Department to help investigate a Halloween incident wherein a cannabis edible was found in a child's bag. What we found, was that the item was a currently individually wrapped 10 mg fruit chew that had made it into a child's bag. So, as is evidenced by this incident, the individually wrapped edible was NOT PREVENTATIVE to the child eating the product. Parents are responsible for checking their children's Halloween candy to make sure it is safe. As an industry it is most certainly our goal and is in our best interest to make sure children are not harmed by our products. But, I believe this will burden our industry without helping to actually resolve the problem. Retailers and manufacturers are severely burdened by these changes to policy by being left with unsold product with no recourse but to write off the losses.. Our Oregon Cannabis industry is exceptionally challenged in this current market, with falling prices and an oversaturation of licenses and product. Additionally many products such as a brownie would be difficult to individually wrap in 10mg units without increasing the portion size to require 3-4 brownies for an adult dose. Please support our industry by rejecting this bill and working in partnership with our industry to resolve any issues of minor access through education of adults, not knee jerk reactions that won't work in real time.

Please reach out should you have any questions, alternativereliefclinic@gmail.com

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