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Chair Riley and members of the committee,

My name is Sunnie Day Sanchez and I am a Grow Site Administrator (GSA) for an OMMP grow site in Albany that was established post Measure 91. I had the opportunity to participate on an OHA RAC by providing input to OHA on rules relating to a GSA for the Cannabis Tracking System (CTS) and implementing SB 1544 that passed during the 2018 legislative session. I have been present as a citizen for most all of the Oregon Cannabis Commission meetings as well as many of the monthly OLCC Commissioner meetings.

I am in support of SB 382 with suggested amendments as follows:

- 1. Allow the <u>18 OMMP grow sites</u> with the privilege to transfer product to a Processor or Wholesaler to also transfer directly to Retailers.
- 2. Limit transfers of useable flower to an aggregate of 60 pounds per year.

It is important to note that these 18 medical marijuana gardens have met increased regulatory requirements to continue providing medicine to OMMP Patients for free or at very little cost. The ability to transfer flower just went live in November 2018. The ability to *only* transfer to a Processor or Wholesaler is unnecessary now that these 18 medical marijuana gardens are also **subject to tracking in CTS** and possess **water rights** or another lawful source of water – same as OLCC Producers. Recuperating expenses used to pay for the costs of a medical marijuana garden growing 12+ plants just isn't possible with 20 pounds. For example, 20 pounds of greenhouse flower sold at \$250 per pound to a Processor or Wholesaler will only generate \$5000 before taxes. This simply isn't enough. Increasing the limit is very reasonable and providing an extension to Retailers makes sense at this point in time.

I believe providing the OLCC with the resources they need to carry out the functions of the agency such as funding of an IT system should be a high priority this legislative session.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony to the Senate Committee on Business and General Government. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

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