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On Behalf Of: Free Marketeers  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure: HB4016

To Senate Committee Members,

I write as an Oregon resident working in the cannabis industry since October of 2015. I started as a temp worker and now manage a dispensary in Eugene that is owned by a married couple in their 70's, with zero outside capital investment. We are truly a mom and pop locally owned shop.

In a supersaturated market, we've created-not just found, a niche for ourselves. We've been able to turn a profit and wish to re-invest in our business by vertically expanding and becoming a self-supplier. Beyond providing jobs and income to our team, success in business provides to a team common goals that we all enjoy the benefits of. 5 of our 8 team members have been working with us since 2015/2016, that low of turnover is extremely low in any retail sector. We have worked together over these last years with the goal of expanding and essentially rising the tides for all of us.

For over a year we waited for the end of the moratorium so we could finally take another step toward achieving our next goal. Because we are a small operation, we alone compiled all required documents, certificates and other information, including correspondence with the OLCC giving us the green light that applications would be processed if submitted after Jan 1, 2022 (correspondence I am happy to provide).

We submitted our application after the moratorium expired with full expectations and assurances our application would be processed. We created and saved up capital for our expansion, we have \$0.00 investment from anyone or anything, we grew and it's time to expand.

I believe in an open market, but since opponents of this bill do not, and it clear this bill will pass, I will object instead to the whole bill, but to a specific provision. Without warning, section (1)(5) was conjured without any discussion or consideration. Absent its removal, a justification for a retroactive deadline should be provided because of the harm it causes, without providing any benefit.

In 2019, SB218 creating the first moratorium was amended May 21st to become effective on a future date of June 15th, not retroactive.

Please amend this bill to remove section (1)(5), OR replace [January 1, 2022] with [passage of this bill].

Thank you for your time,

Jared Bosch