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I support SB 1573 because it addresses a gap between policy and reality. While harm reduction efforts are meant to help, communities have been left without practical, place-based guardrails when impacts concentrate in specific locations. We're not talking about moral judgments or lessening the impacts of harm reduction. We need accountability so neighborhoods are not left to manage dangerous impacts without voice or recourse.

What has been missing is a framework that balances public health goals with place-based responsibility. Without it confusion grows, conflict escalates, and trust erodes. SB 1573 helps restore clarity in a way that supports both public health and community stability