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On Behalf Of:

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I am a Cultivation Technician at a recreational grow outside of Oregon City. It is widely expected by most in our industry that measure 1548 will end the product variety, practical medicinal capabilities, and overall viability of the current cannabis edible market as we know it.

Edible thc oil products like RSO (Rick Simpson Oil) are high potency edible alternatives to smoking or vaporization. It would be extremely insensitive and impractical to dose products in such low quantities for medical patients that require high doses of edible products for relief or for users who are disabled and have difficulty opening multiple packages.

This bill markets itself as prioritizing child safety, but adding more packaging inside of what should already be childproof packaging seems like looking for solutions from the redundancy department of redundancy. Children love opening candies and I doubt adding more wrappers would effectively deter children from accessing improperly stored edibles.

Users, Parents and the general public have a collective responsibility to properly store and dispose of thc edible products, which should be sold in sustainable, single unit child proof packaging, not mandated individual wrappers.

We don't dilute alcohol for child safety, we have the OLCC regulate state run liquor stores and enforce age verification at bars, and promote responsible parenting. If we are serious about addressing accidental exposure of thc products to minors, we should be focused on those types of regulation, not regulating individual producers out of existence and filling up the planet with more trash and unnecessary packaging.

Please vote down this measure and instead introduce something to make individual childproof packages more effective if that's what folks are really concerned about.

I would also note that the black market will happily continue to make high strength edibles to fill in the gaps left by the rec market, so unless you want a larger more robust market for illicit, untested products, please dont vote for this.

Do the industry a solid for once and make regulations that keep consumers and children safe and reward industry-led proactivity with regards to regulation and

product safety.