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Thank you esteemed members of this committee for your time. Now let's get down to business. I speak for every resident in the state of Connecticut that believes in, has passion for or finds some kind of relief, solace or piece of mind from this plant. I speak for everyone when I express the disgust that in 2018 in the state of Connecticut, the state known for its educational institutions and diverse culture has dropped the ball on hearing its people and can be so out of touch. This should be not only a debate on how we can cash in but also on how we can serve the large number of Connecticut residents who have to put themselves at risk to use a plant they believe in!!! Where is the transparency??? Where is the accountability??? It is 2018 !! There's so much concrete evidence presented in our medical journals that this plant is a natural alternative to the toxins we've had shoved down our collective throats. I guarantee each and every person sitting on this panel has someone in their life that finds some kind of relief from this plant. A plant that by the way has no psychoactive effect until it is either heated or steeped in fats. I pay taxes and vote why are my rights being jeopardized???? Obviously the debate is over money and in the process you've forgotten about the people. You put your citizens in harm's way while you drag this out as if all the research available is just quackery or pseudoscience. I speak for many when I say that if this bill or some version of it does not pass this session we will work our hardest to systematically vote out the ones responsible. Maybe then you'll realize how many of your constituents this affected. You need to take a serious look at what is happening, ask around, talk to a friend in the know about the vibrant cannabis black market in Ct, there are so many passionate people that could be pillars of our local economics that live as outlaws because of our lawmakers antiquated views. This is disgusting!! We have nooo rights!! The mere smell of it is considered probable cause!! Have some accountability for the people of this

state that you are supposed to represent and protect that use this plant!!!That is your job!!!We are your friend,your kids soccer coach,your aunt ,your lawyer,your physician,your landscaper,your kids teacher maybe even you! And we are not going anywhere and will continue to find our bit of head space no matter what your decision!!A decision to regulate would bring such new breath to this great state we would all benefit socially and economically!!!Most importantly it would allow the large number of residents who recreationally use everyday some rights.The market is at a point where it can no longer provide enough supply there is so much demand that either regulation steps in or organized crime will act as a usurper and fulfill the demand.

I appreciate your time

Joseph Raymond Accettullo