



Brian Worstell was a sweet loving hard working 19 year old. He was always willing to help others and loved to tell jokes. Brian loved being a big brother and an uncle to his niece. He was definitely a mama and grandpa boy. As Brian turned 18 he began smoking marijuana products that eventually led to him smoking Delta 8 and 10 products. As a parent I counseled Brian on smoking thc products due to him not being of age to purchase. He reassured me that he was only smoking THC products that were purchased from a dispensary. That was not the case. Brian was smoking delta 8 and 9 carts that a friend was giving him. Brian began to hear voices and complained of loss of time. He was in psychosis due to delta intoxication. Brian took his own life October 15 2021. As a parent I did not know much about the delta products. I honestly thought it was just CBD. After Brian passed we found several things he had drawn and wrote during his psychosis. He talked about not knowing what was real anymore. Unfortunately, I traveled for work and did not realize Brian had even been smoking the delta cartridges. After he passed, the police officers removed several cartridges from our home. I have made it my life mission to tell Brian's story and to help educate others on the effects of Delta products. They are not safe. Most of the products that have been tested have solvents that they can not identify. They are harmful to our youth. My tragedy should never happen to another family. If you want to know more about Brian's

story we have a brian fuller legacy group on Facebook. In this group we have educational information on delta and the harmful effects.

House Finance

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SB23-271 Intoxicating Cannabinoid Hemp & Marijuana

Typed Text of Testimony Submitted

Name, Position, Representing	Typed Text of Testimony
Craig Bauer Against themselves	<p>Plants and drug use shall not be unlawful. Clearly the government (you,) have nefarious ideas in order to institute oppression. People will always use drugs, they always have and In the USA, freedom demands you get to use all the drugs you want. So, perhaps if y'all stop repeatedly doing the same failed and stupid redundantly failed things, you would find an actual solution. Drugs were "illegal" for years, nothing stopped it, you should stop flattering yourself that you will EVER stop it. Instead, why not stop your redundant pattern failure In your attempt to justify your theft through taxation. Maybe, you do like the founding fathers demanded and only prosecute actual crimes. Like theft or murder. The means of a crime are irrelevant. Pre crime is the most anti-american thing ever produced and certainly you should have realized that your punishing people for something "they might do". Egregious and tyrannical and extraordinarily outside the spirit of constitutionality.</p>
Joshua Schneider Amend Association of Western Hemp Professionals	<p>Dear Honorable Representatives,</p> <p>AWHP is a 501-c6 organization made up of hemp industry stakeholders in the Western US. After careful review and consultation with our Colorado members, we cannot support this bill as it has been amended. The pre-amendment language was supported by a broad coalition of hemp industry participants, followed the task force's recommendations and supported the growing Colorado hemp industry; and it did all of this with enforceable regulations that distinguish high THC and intoxicating synthetic products from the Low THC natural hemp derived products. Unfortunately, the amendments blur the lines between these two product categories and will serve to prevent the manufacture and sale of many hemp and hemp-based products in Colorado and will likely force some hemp industry players out of the state.</p> <p>The amendments are bad for small businesses, consumers and farmers and will seriously damage the growing hemp industry in Colorado. Our group supports ONLY the original language of the bill as introduced. We ask that you revert to the informed advice the taskforce provided and stick with the original bill.</p>

	<p>Respectfully,</p> <p>Joshua Schneider President, Association of Western Hemp Professionals https://westernhemppros.org/ CEO, Cultivaris Hemp Mobile 760-802-0542 Josh@Cultivaris.com</p>
<p>Katey Herland Against Association Western Hemp Professionals</p>	<p>I am against all amendments proposed on this bill, and I am only in favor of the bill, as it was originally written, and introduced. The amendments in the bill will cause great harm to the progression of the hemp industry, creating an unnecessary burden for farmers and producers.</p> <p>Consumer safety matters and experts should be relied on to work with the regulators to promulgate rules. This was done with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment in developing the rules and regulations for hemp food, the cannabinoid task force recommendations and the FDA's General recognition of safety for hempseed hearts, hempseed oil and hempseed protein to be consumed by humans with a limit of 10ppm (10mg/L) of THC.</p> <p>The pre-amendment language was supported by a united hemp industry, followed the task force recommendations and supported the multi million dollar Colorado hemp industry; and it did all of this with enforceable regulations that distinguished high THC and synthetic products from low THC natural products. Unfortunately, the proposed amendments blur the lines between these two industries and will prevent the purchase and manufacture of hemp products in Colorado - including hempseed foods (oil, hearts and protein), lotions, soaps, and other plant based products in addition to forcing well known and trusted Charlotte's Web and their medical refugees out of Colorado.</p> <p>The amendments are bad for business, consumers, farmers and will take Colorado from leading the US hemp industry to one without hemp farmers or processing. Please prevent this and ensure product safety by moving forward ONLY the original SB23-271 bill language, before the amendments made in committee last</p>
<p>Morris Beegle</p>	<p>To all parties concerned on SB23-271.</p>

<p>Against</p> <p>WAFBA - We Are For Better Alternatives & NoCo Hemp Expo</p>	<p>I would like to start by stating I support the original findings by the task force(thank you for all the hard work) and the original proposed bill based on those findings. I however do not support the added amendments, particularly any age gate for full spectrum CBD products, or lowering the serving size below 2mg THC, or unnecessary capped container limits. I believe much of the language in the added amendments is poorly written and goes against common sense regulations that are already in place.</p> <p>I produce NoCo Hemp Expo, the largest hemp-centric expo in the world. We just had our 9th event in March at The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs. We have a contract for 2 more years at this venue, with a potential extension of 3 additional years. This event has become the center of hemp industry policy and innovation and we have stakeholders, delegates and organizations coming from all over the world to attend. If some of these amendments pass and get enacted into law, this will effectively kill the hemp industry in Colorado, and kill this event. I urge our elected representatives to keep the original recommendations of the task force, including Safe Harbor, and not put any age gate or restrictions on full spectrum CBD oil. Over the last 9 years since the 2014 Farm Bill, there is extensive data on the safety and efficacy of full spectrum CBD oil. These products have a very low adverse reaction rate and there is zero evidence that anyone, even children, are using them to get high or intoxicated.</p> <p>That said, I am in favor of age restrictions on the synthesized intoxicating products such as Delta 8, Delta 10 and HHC. I am not in favor of banning them, prohibiting them, criminalizing them, or making them illegal. They are everywhere and there is no putting the cat back in the bag. If they are not regulated, they will become black market, and thus, less safe for anyone who gets their hands on them. Regulation is the only sensible way forward. Prohibition has always failed and it always will.</p> <p>I implore all of those involved to make rational policy surrounding all of these products. Colorado has been the domestic leader in hemp and cannabis policy, but there have been many instances of bad policy trying to take over. We are at one of these crossroads now. Please, do the right thing so Colorado can remain leaders and an example for federal hemp and cannabis policy reform.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Morris Beegle</p>
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