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Subject: H.170

Hello all,

Thanks for sponsoring H.170. I think it's a good first step for Vermont.

As a small farmer, I'm hoping that Vermont eventually legalizes marijuana in a way that will allow farmers to grow and sell it, and hopefully make some money! We do okay with our meat CSA operation, but it's definitely not easy.

I'd love to give my two cents on this bill as it regards to home cultivation.

I think more language would be helpful when talking about growing "in an enclosure that is screened from public view." If someone has to walk onto my private property to see plants in my garden, does that constitute public view?

It seems like this step with immature plants and mature plants is good, but it seems like it's much more conducive to an indoor grower. Although that is probably much more secure/safe than an outdoor grow, is that what Vermont wants? All that electricity being used in our agricultural state? The spare room filled with fertilizers, tubes, fans, etc? It would be very cool to try to make a home grow operation work just as well for someone wanting to plant outdoors, in our native soils, under the sun, etc.

Thank you all VERY much for moving this forward. I look forward to it being passed, but especially to a bill that might allow numerous farmers to make some money.

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