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Association of licensed I-502 businesses support Cannabis Patient Protection Act

Washington CannaBusiness Association prepares for Senate public hearing on bipartisan legislation

OLYMPIA – The Washington CannaBusiness Association this morning released a statement on the bipartisan Cannabis Patient Protection Act sponsored by Senator Rivers (R) and Senator Hatfield (D). Members of the association will testify in support of the legislation during the Senate's public hearing this Thursday morning at 10 a.m.

"As the only organization in Washington State solely representing I-502 licensed legal cannabis businesses, we are excited to support the bipartisan Cannabis Patient Protection Act," said Lynsee Swisher, Washington CannaBusiness Association spokesperson. "We have heard from Washington residents, cannabis businesses and patients as we have worked to follow the direction of our state's voters in creating a safe, regulated and taxed cannabis marketplace. We also recognize the hard work that leaders like Senator Kohl-Welles have brought to this effort and look forward to continuing to engage with everyone committed to supporting a successful and safe marketplace."

Among its key provisions, the Cannabis Patient Protection Act will require that all sellers of cannabis products in the state, including medical operations, meet the same requirements as those that were established by Initiative 502. Those requirements include:

- background checks
- security and traceability of product
- laboratory testing for safety and potency, labeling, and quality control.

Currently, the medical market contains zero provisions to protect consumers.

About Washington CannaBusiness Association

Washington CannaBusiness Association solely represents Washington's licensed and regulated cannabis businesses and provides its members with general support and

representation before regulatory agencies and the legislature. As an association of cannabis producers, processors and retailers who have gathered to promote the private cannabis industry created by Initiative 502 and our member companies, our mission is to advocate on behalf of our member companies in the legislative, regulatory, legal and public policy arenas.

Learn more about Washington CannaBusiness Association by visiting our website at http://www.wacannabusiness.org

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