

I am writing in support of HF 600 but in strong opposition to Amendment A2 as written. The 1000' prohibited zone around schools, day cares, nursing homes, union headquarters, houses of worship, or the Capitol or the Capitol grounds called for in the Amendment would leave very few legal areas to operate a licensed cannabis business in any populated areas.

Amendment A2 adds more locations to the prohibited areas list than for alcohol, and does so for the purpose of keeping licensed cannabis businesses from operating in nearly every community in the state. A map showing a 1000' foot prohibited area from the buildings listed in the Amendment would certainly show that nearly all commercial, industrial, and residential areas would be covered by these prohibitions.

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