



March 20, 2018

Assembly Member Wood
State Capitol, Room 6005
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0002

RE: Oppose AB 2641 (Wood) – Temporary Event Permits

Dear Assembly Member Wood:

The United Cannabis Business Association (UCBA) opposes AB 2641 which authorize cultivators and manufacturers to obtain a state temporary cannabis retail license to sell cannabis or cannabis products directly to customers.

UCBA represents dispensaries in California and other licensees that are dedicated to providing the highest quality products to their patients and adult use customers. UCBA is focused on working to raise awareness and increase education of the market and its benefits. As the premiere association for cannabis retailers, UCBA brings together the forerunners of this constantly evolving industry to serve as a voice for this often misrepresented trade through advocacy, education, and innovation.

In local jurisdictions in southern California there are a limited number of retailers who have received a state retail license; however, there are hundreds of retail locations far beyond what have been licensed by the state. These dispensaries do not pay tax dollars, do not observe regular hours, do not observe employment laws and do not care about law enforcement or protecting our communities. These illegal operators undermine the current cannabis regulatory system.

This legislation would cut a large consumer base from licensed retailers that are paying high taxes and having a difficult time staying open. This legislation will permit a cultivator to set up an event every day of the week and sell their products directly to consumers. This legislation undermines our whole cannabis regulatory system.

The law needs to be changed so that temporary cannabis events can be held at more events than just state county fairs and district agricultural association events which is why we support AB 2020 (Quirk). AB 2020 authorizes local jurisdictions to apply for licenses allowing cannabis sales at special events put on by a local jurisdiction. AB 2020 helps cities maintain local control, allows for more opportunities for small businesses, and maintains critical public safety.

We regretfully oppose AB 2641 for the reasons states above. For any questions, please contract Marvin F. Pineda at 916-446-7843.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jered Kiloh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jered" and last name "Kiloh" clearly distinguishable.

Jered Kiloh
President
UCBA