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To: House Corporations Committee
Subject: Opposition to Bill H 6056

I am Armand Lusi, Owner of Evergreen Gardens, LLC, a licensed cannabis cultivator since January 2017. I strongly oppose Bill H 6056 as it would grant the liquor industry the exclusive right to distribute hemp-derived THC drinks. The reason these drinks already exists is from a loophole in the Farm Act of 2019. The cannabis industry in Rhode Island is harmed by these intoxicating drinks and we are moving to have these drinks eliminated unless they come from the licensed cannabis industry, not the liquor industry.

Licensed cultivators and dispensaries contribute millions of dollars every year to the general fund and it is grossly unfair to allow the liquor industry to capture the distribution of THC infused drinks. The THC drinks currently available avoid all the rigorous testing requirements required by the regulated cannabis industry in RI.

Regards,
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