

House Representative and Staff-

My name is Sean Pickett and as you know I am the General Counsel for Shaman Botanicals, LLC., and CBD American Shaman, LLC., who are a manufacturing company that produces industrial hemp manufactured goods for retail sale to the public in CBD American Shaman stores throughout Kansas.

My clients are requesting your support in approving HB 2706 which would clarify what types of industrial hemp derived products can be sold in Kansas, as well as would mirror the Federal definition of industrial hemp requiring it to be no more than .3% Delta – 9 THC.

The timing and implementation of this legislation is more important than ever as there have been multiple media stories that have confused the public, consumers, and law enforcement regarding the status of certain industrial hemp product's legality. This confusion has most recently led to the threat from County Attorney's offices to the public and specific stores that they will be required to stop selling products as of March 20, 2020, or risk prosecution or litigation.

My clients and the County Attorneys would rather a timely clarification be accomplished at the legislative level this year so as to avoid unnecessary prosecutions, litigation, agricultural core products loss and business losses.

These products are legal Federally and should be available for the Kansas farmers to gain their portion of the burgeoning market as well as the State gaining the increase in tax revenue on retail sales as the products become more mainstream.

Our business and our franchisees' businesses stand to lose a great deal of taxable product sales that the State would lose out on if a ban on products is implemented.

Tens of thousands of individual customers that rely on our products for their mental, physical, and wellness needs would be without a non-prescription avenue to find relief.

For all these reasons and more, not stated herein, please support the passage of HB 2706.

Should you or your staff need further information please contact me at swp@kclawoffice.com or seanlegal@cbdamericanshaman.com or by cell phone at 816853-7610.

Respectfully,

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