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Senate Committee members.

I would like to voice my comments regarding S.B. 30. I strongly advise you to follow Colorado's lead in regards to much of this legislation. We should not set a limit of the amount of licenses to be issued. Colorado and Washington are operating their recreational marijuana programs completely differently. Creating a commodity with licenses will not create a free market. Colorado is still issuing licenses and Washington is not. Washington is having an issue curbing the black market due to no more licenses being issued. They are considering issuing more. In Alaska our liquor licenses & the Anchorage taxi permits are set at a set level. Creating a monopoly and the price of the licenses to increase. Liquor licenses first issued were under 10k, now they sell for over 250k dollars. Please do not limit the licenses.