

Cannabis Legalization is a Win for our Family Farms

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Legal cannabis would provide opportunity for our agricultural communities to grow their future and support their families.

MADISON - Last week, Senator Melissa Agard (D-Madison) released LRB 4361, a bill to fully legalize cannabis in Wisconsin. The proposal includes provisions that would support Wisconsin based growers and set aside licenses for them to access once legalized.

Senator Agard, Bob Daggett (Bonita Naturals & Snow Crest Christmas Trees), and Kattia Jimenez (Mount Horeb Hemp) released the following statements:

Senator Agard



“For far too long, Wisconsin’s farmers have been left behind by our state legislature. Agriculture has long been a staple of Wisconsin’s heritage and economic success, but our farmers are struggling every day. Legal cannabis will open countless doors to farms and our agricultural sector to participate in a blooming industry. Wisconsin can no longer ignore cannabis legalization - we are losing out on millions of dollars and family sustaining jobs to our neighboring states.

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“Wisconsin is ready - our farmers are ready. Let’s start growing our future.”

Bob Daggett (Farmer, Owner of Bonita Naturals & Snow Crest Christmas Trees)

“The statewide legalization of marijuana provides a path forward for those of us used to coming into the family home with dirty hands and beat-up boots, for those of us accustomed to working before the sun comes up and long after the moon has risen. It provides a new livelihood for our family farms here in Wisconsin. It is beyond time we pass legislation to support the full legalization of marijuana for the economic advancement of our state's backbone, our farmers.”

Kattia Jimenez (Farmer, Mount Horeb Hemp)

"We must join other states and pass cannabis legalization in Wisconsin. This is an opportunity for farmers and entrepreneurs to participate in a billion-dollar industry.

It's also an opportunity for communities most impacted by the criminalization of this plant to build generational wealth."