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Honorable Marc Berman, Chair
Members of the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions
1020 N Street, Room 379 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2532 (Irwin) - OPPOSE

Dear Chair Berman and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association and our cannabis control agents, we write in opposition to AB 2532.

The cannabis beverage sector is one of the only segments of the legal cannabis market that is currently viable and competing with the illicit market. AB 2532 would effectively eliminate that progress by creating a de facto ban on 100 mg THC cannabis beverages, products that represent a significant share of consumer demand. Removing these products from the legal market will not eliminate demand; it will simply push consumers back into the illicit market, where there are no safeguards, no testing standards, and no regulatory oversight.

This shift carries direct consequences for enforcement and public safety. Legal cannabis sales generate critical revenue for the California Cannabis Tax Fund, which supports enforcement, staffing, and the ability to recruit and retain qualified agents. Undermining one of the few functioning sectors of the legal market reduces those resources at the very moment they are most needed. Our agents are already operating in an environment where the illicit market continues to outpace legal operators at an alarming pace. This bill moves us in the wrong direction.

AB 2532 does not advance the goals of Proposition 64. It weakens the legal market, reduces funding for enforcement, and incentivizes illicit activity. For these reasons, CSLEA must respectfully oppose AB 2532.

Sincerely,

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