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Hello, I am sorry if this is the wrong email address for this concern, but I would like to share my opinions about the current industry. I have worked in the Cannabis industry for over 7 years now. A few years in Arkansas, a few in Oklahoma, and a few in Alaska. If there is one thing I have seen within the market of cannabis is high business fees and high taxation. I believe in a free market with very limited political interference. The cannabis industry as a whole needs to be freed from the financial chains in which every political power has in it. I would like to see Alaska cut its taxes and fees in the cannabis industry allowing for a more affordable and free market. High costs to start and operate kill opportunities for solid Alaska business and creates a seperation of classes making it where only the rich can afford to do business which is unamerican at the least. I would like to propose a level playing field by allowing cannabis businesses to use their money freely without "paying the big guy". The amount of political interference in this industry is astronomical and it has to end. This interference has damaged not only the Marijuana industry, but also the hemp industry as politics has once again found its way into another legal holistic market. The main point of my email is consideration to free up Alaskan markets that are over controlled and see industried like cannabis flourish in the state. Thank you.