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The Honorable Jerry Knirk
New Hampshire House of Representatives
The New Hampshire General Court
107 North Main Street
Concord, NH 03301

RE: House Bill 272: Labeling and Sale of Hemp-Derived CBD Products in the State of New Hampshire

Dear Representative Knirk:

The Council for Responsible Nutrition (CRN)¹ submits the following comments, along with our attached position paper: *Hemp-Derived CBD Dietary Supplement Position* in response to New Hampshire House Bill 272. Our position paper details CRN's support for a federal regulatory scheme for hemp-derived cannabidiol (CBD) dietary supplements. While we await clarity at the federal level, CRN also supports the promotion of state laws and regulations regulating hemp-derived CBD dietary supplements in a manner that is consistent with federal requirements for all dietary supplement products under the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act (DSHEA).

CRN continues to work with Congress to support federal legislation (previously introduced as H.R. 8179, the [Hemp and Hemp-Derived CBD Consumer Protection and Market Stabilization Act of 2020](#).) This legislation directs that CBD be recognized as a lawful dietary ingredient to be regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), irrespective of any other definitional hurdles in the federal Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act, and will require that hemp-derived CBD products adhere to the same legal requirements for manufacturing, labeling, promotion and usage as any other dietary supplement. The legislation provides a clear legal pathway to market for dietary supplements containing hemp-derived CBD and will help protect the health and safety of consumers by addressing many of the concerns that currently exist from an untamed market. We expect Congress to consider legislation addressing this critical issue early in the 117th session and strongly encourage states looking to adopt their own hemp-related regulatory structures to fashion ones that would be consistent with that federal framework.

Please let me know if you have any questions about CRN's position paper or would like additional information. Thank you for your consideration of our position.

Sincerely,

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Council for Responsible Nutrition

CC: Environment and Agriculture Committee

¹The Council for Responsible Nutrition (CRN), founded in 1973, is a Washington, D.C.-based trade association representing 190+ dietary supplement and functional food manufacturers, ingredient suppliers, and companies providing services to those manufacturers and suppliers. In addition to complying with a host of federal and state regulations governing dietary supplements and food in the areas of manufacturing, marketing, quality control and safety, our manufacturer and supplier members also agree to adhere to additional voluntary guidelines as well as to CRN's Code of Ethics. Visit, www.crnusa.org. Follow us on: Twitter [@CRN_Supplements](#), [Facebook](#), and [LinkedIn](#).