

Dear Representative:

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The Michigan Beer & Wine Wholesalers Association asks for your support of Senate Bill 969 that would prohibit beer, wine, and spirits products that are infused with marijuana. This important legislation passed the Senate unanimously in May.

If the recreational marijuana ballot proposal that will be considered in November passes, it opens the door for marijuana infused alcohol products. Such products are already popping up in states where recreational marijuana is legal. Marijuana infused alcohol is a bad idea, and Michigan has an opportunity to be a leader and address this issue before it becomes a problem.

Marijuana infused alcohol would also create a regulatory nightmare with two separate regulatory structures governing one product – the alcohol regulatory system and the marijuana regulatory system. We have already begun to see this sort of problem in California where a hops based beverage infused with marijuana has been introduced into the market, and has attempted to avoid the alcohol regulatory system.

Marijuana infused alcohol should either be regulated like alcohol or banned altogether. Please support SB 969 which would ban beer, wine, and spirits products that are infused with marijuana.

Regards,

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