

In opposition to HB 1101 Relating to the scheduling of mitragynine as a schedule 1 controlled substance.

Kratom (mitragynine) is not a recreational drug and subject to misinformation generated by "Big Pharma" who knows it is a very beneficial supplement that would impact their bottom line.

I'm a disabled veteran who uses Kratom to treat by depression and anxiety. Modern Psychology has not found a drug to successfully treat my Bi-Polar condition. Kratom is the only non-addictive drug that provides me relief. Without it my life would truly be at risk. It is also very successful in treating PTSD.

Kratom is commonly used to treat pain and assist in helping addicts on opioids (or in my case benzodiazepines) treat their addictions very, very successfully.

You can not overdose on Kratom, neither become addicted. When I do get through my depression, I know longer use it. Addiction to Opioids and other drugs that use the brain's Opioid receptors can and are being treated successfully with Kratom resulting in lives free from addiction and addicts returning to a productive life.

There are so many benefits related to its use it would be criminal to schedule this supplement. It would make no sense other than to allow Big Pharma to dominate. Big Pharma has no compunction in creating drugs that are extremely harmful. Covid is a perfect example. It is probably the best example of Big Pharma in cooperation with the government generating obscene profits off the backs of misled Americans. What they have done is criminal and resulted in the death of thousands if not millions of our citizens. They are some of the most unethical corporations there are.

Please have some compassion for those of us who are able to live a better, more productive live when it is necessary to use Kratom.

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