

I support HB 1628. I have been a kratom leaf consumer for eight years. Botanical kratom is an herb. It is not a mind-altering drug. This plant gives me mild support for managing arthritis pain without the side effects and potential harm of OTC medication. It also helps me to effectively manage stress and anxiety. Kratom needs to be available to those who take it responsibly with an age restriction of 21 and over as well as proper packaging and labeling to ensure maximum safety. Reputable Kratom vendors already have their products tested for heavy metals and other potential contamination. Please pass this bill. Thank you.