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Submitted to the Committee on Public Health
For HB 861

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Hearing Date: March 13, 2023 9:00 AM

Jim Lennon
Kingwood TEA Party
Cleveland, TX

I am for For HB 861

Christopher Grisolia
self / Treasurer & Board Member - Texas Cannabis Collective 501(c)(4)
Krum, TX

I am whole heartedly against HB 861

When will we stop criminalizing people for helping other people. Plants are the basis of all medicine used today. All synthetics are a replica of what was once found in nature. We need to stop trying to criminalize people for using these substances for medicine as an alternative to the expensive pharmaceuticals available. People deserve to be able to grow their own medicine the same as vegetables. Period!

Christopher Grisolia
self / Treasurer & Board Member - Texas Cannabis Collective 501(c)(4)
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I am neutral on HB 861

My apologies for my first submission. I thought this bill was a different one. I withdraw my first comment.

Peter Proctor
Self- Physician
Houston, TX

I am a physician and drug expert. I urge the legislature not to penalize the sale, possession and use of Kratom products. These agents have uses in the treatment of drug dependency.

Peter H. Proctor, MD,PhD Diplomate, American Board of Medical Toxicology, Founding member, American Academy of Clinical Toxicology

David Pack
Self
Kingwood, TX

Vote against this bill Keaton helps me with focus better than some of the adhd medications I have taken over the years.