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## **Statement on Senator Wirch's Misleading Press Release**

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"I authored Senator Bill 221 because I share Senator Wirch's passion to allow people to possess CBD oil. As CBD advocates and Senator Wirch know, I have been working to garner support for the bill in both the Senate and Assembly for months.

"Senator Wirch's only recent contact with me about CBD oil came late last week, when we told his office about the progress we were making, and that my committee would vote on the bill today. Senate Bill 221 passed the Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee unanimously, 4-0, this morning. In addition, I spoke with the Assembly Speaker and committee chair yesterday, and was informed this morning that the Assembly bill will be scheduled for a vote in the week or two.

"Legislation isn't about "flipping a switch." It's about educating legislators to support bills. So, while I appreciate his passion, I do not understand or appreciate his grandstanding on this issue."

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