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Hello I'd like to make a comment on proposed changes to the regulations regarding breastfeeding.
First I wanted to address shifting the age to 18 months from 12 months. At the very minimum it should be 2 years of age as this is the MINIMUM recommended age to continue breastfeeding by both the American Pediatric Society, the CDC and WHO. The world average age to discontinue breastfeeding is 4. Weaning should be decided by a mother and child and I don't think age should be commented on at all by a government authority.
My second comment is on the proposed changes to 306.712(b). If we are considering changing this section it should honestly just restrict access in product/concentrate manufacturing facilities and onsite consumption areas. Under every other license type children of any age would be completely safe; especially under adult supervision which they would be having to be escorted (and likely carried). In retails all edibles are sealed, raw cannabis and concentrates would have no effect without being somehow heated. As long as children aren't exposed to smoke or unpackaged edibles the only other hazard would be lab equipment. Being able to transit through restricted areas or add expression rooms in areas that also store sealed and packaged cannabis products would be a huge impact on the amount of licenses that would be able to support their employees in motherhood.
Thank you for considering my input.
-Alexandra Pepper: member of the public, industry worker, mother.