

Why SB3's Veto Was the Right Call

Hemp isn't banned-yet



Austin, Texas Jun 26, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - SB3, which sought to enact a sweeping ban on hemp-derived THC products, was [vetoed](#): a decision that avoided immediate and irreparable harm to countless Texas small businesses and jobs.

Here's why that matters:

Texas has already authorized [research](#) into psychedelics for medical use. Banning hemp-derived THC products while embracing other emerging therapies is legally and scientifically inconsistent.

Alcohol, a substance with well-documented public health impacts, remains fully legal.

Thousands of Texans are employed by the hemp industry, many in small, minority- and women-owned businesses.

A blanket ban would have circumvented existing regulatory frameworks without offering meaningful public safety benefits.

"Legally, SB3 would have created an uneven playing field by targeting one class of products without the evidence-based justification required for such drastic action. Regulation is the lawful path forward — not reactionary prohibition."

— Bridgett Brumbaugh, Attorney (LL.M. in Privacy & Cybersecurity Law)

We don't need prohibition. We need coherent regulation that balances public health with economic realities.

SB3 is expected to be reconsidered during the July special session. Advocates, professionals, and business owners must remain engaged and insist on rational, evidence-based policymaking.

TAKE ACTION BEFORE JULY 21:

Contact your Texas House and Senate members

Email the Governor's office

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