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TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA SENATE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTY-NINTH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 437:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, I have vetoed Enrolled Senate Bill 437.

Senate Bill 437 is an omnibus piece of legislation related to Oklahoma's medical marijuana program ("program"). Contained within the Bill are a variety of policy changes to the program that, on their own, would have my full support. Unfortunately, the Bill would also roll back progress we have made as a state to address illegal marijuana grow operations and bad actors within the industry. As illegal grow operations and bad actors continue to be the primary issue facing the industry, it is unwise to repeal changes designed to curb their participation in the market in exchange for improvements to other areas of the state's program.

I have been and remain committed to supporting a properly regulated industry to ensure our patients, our communities and our rural neighbors are protected from criminal enterprises that have forced their way into our state.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Enrolled Senate Bill 437.

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