HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN THE REGULATORY PROCESS

The Bureau of Cannabis Control (bureau) is creating new regulations to replace the existing emergency regulations for the implementation of the Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act. During the public comment period of the regulatory process, all interested individuals are encouraged to participate by submitting comments regarding the proposed regulations during the public comment period.

HOW TO RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE REGULATIONS

Receiving information through email:
Individuals on the bureau’s email list will receive notices or proposed regulation text by email. You may subscribe to the bureau’s email list by going to the bureau’s home page, scrolling to the bottom, and clicking on the “Click here to Subscribe” button. If you are on this email list, you will receive the bureau’s notices of regulatory actions as well as other communications from the bureau. You may also request to receive information via email by sending a request to the bureau by fax, mail, email, or through the bureau’s website. For your convenience, a request form can be found under the Laws & Regulations tab on the bureau’s website, listed under “Regulatory Process.”

Receiving information through physical mail:
To receive the bureau’s notices of proposed regulatory actions through physical mail, submit a request by fax, mail, email, or through the bureau’s website. For your convenience, a request form can be found under the Laws & Regulations tab on the bureau’s website, listed under “Regulatory Process.”

View information on the bureau’s website:
The proposed regulations will be posted on the bureau’s website at www.bcc.ca.gov and on the California Cannabis Portal at https://cannabis.ca.gov/.

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN PUBLIC COMMENTS

To assist the bureau with tracking and responding to your written comments, please provide the following information:

1. Subject title of the proposed regulation:
   - For example, Retailer Regulations.

2. Comments specific to the proposed regulation’s written comments should state specific concerns regarding the proposed regulation. The most useful comments are those that:
   - Identify the regulation section.
   - Discuss the issue.
   - Suggest changes to the proposed regulation text.
   - Explain why these changes address the issue.

NOTE: All information submitted with your written comments on the proposed regulations becomes public information. Therefore, you may not want to include any confidential information (e.g., Social Security number) or other personal information in your comments.

WHEN TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS

The bureau will accept written comments regarding the proposed regulations during the public comment period. The official starting and ending dates of the public comment period will be announced in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that is published in the California Regulatory Notice Register. In addition, the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking will be published on the bureau’s website.
HOW TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS
There are three ways to provide the bureau with your public comments regarding the regulations:

- Through email.
- Through physical mail.
- In person, by attending a public hearing.

Submitting a comment through email:
Please send all emails containing public comments regarding proposed regulations to bcc.comments@dca.ca.gov. In the subject line of the email, please type in the subject title of the proposed regulation to which the comments apply (e.g., Retailer Regulations). Comments typed in a Word document or in PDF format may be included as an email attachment.

Submitting a comment through physical mail:
Please mail all public comments regarding the proposed regulations to:

Lori Ajax, Chief
Bureau of Cannabis Control
P.O. Box 419106
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741

Submitting a comment by attending a public hearing:
The public also may provide comments in person by attending a public hearing on the proposed regulations. Public hearings will be held at the times and locations announced in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that is published in the California Regulatory Notice Register and on the bureau’s website. The public is welcome to present oral comments and/or submit written comments during the public hearing. Oral comments given at a public hearing will be recorded by the bureau. To ensure that all hearing attendees have an opportunity to provide oral comments, each speaker may be limited to a specific amount of time to comment, such as two minutes. Therefore, those who wish to provide an oral comment may also wish to bring a written comment to submit at the hearing. Lastly, the public hearing is intended to provide the public with an opportunity to voice opinions on the rulemaking. Thus, the bureau will not provide responses to comments at the public hearing.

HOW THE BUREAU ADDRESSES PUBLIC COMMENTS
The bureau is required to consider and address all relevant comments received during the public comment period. After the close of the public comment period, the bureau will review all comments received from the public. The bureau will provide a summary and responses to timely and relevant comments within a document called the Final Statement of Reasons. The Final Statement of Reasons and the adopted regulation text will be posted on the bureau’s website, www.bcc.ca.gov, at the end of the rulemaking process.