

Meeting Minutes

Cannabis Advisory Committee Meeting: Thursday, November 21st, 2024

Committee members present (9):

Carmela Beck
Matthew Broad
Bonnie Halpern-Felsher
Diana Huynh
Sara Payan-Pehrson
Michael Polson
Steven Ramirez
Andres Smith
Paul Tupy

Committee members absent:

Avery Cohen
Kristin Heidelberg
Brandon Levine
Scott Vasterling

DCC Staff Present:

Jacqueline Campion
Sara Gardner

Meeting Moderators:

Nina Lemke, DCC
Katie O'Brien, DCC

Minutes Taken By:

Margaret Goldbar, DCC



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1. Call to order and roll call

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda

Public comments provided by:

Esaia
Ali Jamalian
Call in user 2
Josh Swider
Judi Strang
Kathleen Lippitt
Dominic Black
Marco Troiani
Megan Stuart
Michael Sweatt
Scott McKenzie
Joanna Cedar
Peggy Walker
Tim Moreland

3. SB 540 Informational Brochure

DCC Deputy Director of Policy and Research Jacqueline Champion gave an overview of the informational brochure required by SB 540.

Vice Chair Payan opened the floor for public comments.

Public comments provided by:

Esaia
Judi Strang
Michaela Sweatt
Sarah Otis
Tim Moorland
Jackie Simion
Joanna Cedar
Jill Simonian
Kathleen Lippitt
Samantha De Trinidad
Ellen
Richard Duram

4. **Proposed Update to Laboratory Testing Regulations**

Deputy Director Campion gave an overview of the proposed changes to the upcoming laboratory regulations.

California Department of Pesticide Regulation Deputy Director of Human Health Assessment JT Teerlink and **Chief of Human Health Assessment Dr. Shelly DuTeaux** gave a presentation on the current pesticide action limits for cannabis in California.

The committee discussed various topics from the presentation, including the issue of unregistered or illegal pesticides used in illegal grows, the viability of the agricultural commodities used as surrogates for cannabis in determining action levels, and how the Department can improve relationships with local agricultural commissioners in keeping records of pesticides used in cannabis grows.

The members determined they did not have enough data to make a formal recommendation on this topic at this time.

Vice Chair Payan opened the floor for public comments.

Public comments provided by:

Alec Dixon
Debbie Goldsberry
Erik Paulson
Josh Swider
Esaia
Jen Guild
Kareem
Luz De La Riva
Marco Troiani
Peggy Walker
Samantha De Trinidad
Sarah Otis
Sherman Hom
John

Vice Chair Payan called for a lunch break at 12:07 p.m.

Committee re-convened at 1:15 p.m. Quorum was re-established.

Vice Chair Payan opened the floor for committee discussion on agenda item 4. The discussion included referencing Business and Professions Code section 26000 in the

regulations, creating a new subcommittee on laboratories, and the possible formation of a task force of laboratory professionals.

Member Polson made a motion to re-open public comment on this topic. He was seconded by **Member Smith**.

Votes on the motion:

Ayes:

Beck
Huynh
Payan
Polson
Ramirez
Smith
Tupy

Nays:

None

Motion passed.

Public comments provided by:

Josh Swider
Erik Paulson
Marco Troiani
Paul Hansbury
Jen Guild
Sarah Otis
Sherman Hom
John Brower

Vice Chair Payan tabled the item for future discussion.

5. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.