

# Washington State Liquor Control Board Public Hearing/Special Meeting

August 7, 2013, 9:30 to 12:30 Red Lion Hotel, Fir and Spruce Ballroom 2300 Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia WA 98502

# **Meeting Minutes**

Audio for this hearing is available online at www.youtube.com/wslcb

## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sharon Foster called the meeting to order and welcomed all of the guests.

### **BOARD INTRODUCTIONS**

Board Members provided comments about the process and thank everyone who has participated with this open and inclusive process.

#### I - 502 PRESENTATION

Director Rick Garza provided an overview of the proposed rules, agency objectives for implementing I-502, and timelines.

LCB Agency Objectives:

- Creating a tightly controlled and regulated marijuana market
- Including strict controls to present diversion, illegal sales and sale to minors
- Providing reasonable access to products to mitigate the illicit market

#### LCB Role & Responsibilities:

- Ensuring public safety it the top priority
- Creating an three-tier regulatory system for marijuana
- Crating licenses for producers, processors and retailers
- Enforcing laws and rules pertaining to licensees
- Collecting and distributing taxes

Timeline:

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- December 6, 2012 Effective date of new law
- May 16, 2013 Draft rules sent to stakeholders for input and vetting
  - July 03 2013 Proposed rules filed with Code Reviser (CR 102)
  - August 6-8, 2013 Public hearings on proposed rules
- August 14, 2013 Rules adopted
- September 16, 2013 Rules become effective
- September 16, 2013 Begin accepting applications for all three licenses (30-day window)
- December 1, 2013 Rules are complete (as mandated by law)
- Dec. 2013 / Jan. 2014 Begin issuing producer, processor and retailer licenses

# PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Audio with complete public testimony for this hearing is available online at www.youtube.com/wslcb

30 people signed up to testify including:

- Arthur West Cannabis Action Coalition
- Jerry Derker Olympia Resident
- Lyle Korsel 3mpub.com
- John Worthington Cannabis Action Coalition (AAMC)
- Marcus Charles Seattle Resident
- John Novak Medical Marijuana Patient
- Mark Hubbard Integrity Testing Lab in Olympia
- Jesse Mergen
- Wayne Moore
- Steve Sarich Cannabis Action Coalition
- Tammy Ramsay A Cannabis Consultants (Grays Harbor County)
- Kirk Mercills
- Phil Wayt Northwest Producers & Processors Association
- Ken Bell
- Jeff Gilmore CDC
- Joyce McDonald Pierce County Council and Former State Representative
- Brian Sterling Cannabis Compliance Corporation
- Brad Deyman True Northwest Inc.
- Dan Devlin Management Resource
- Shelly Cooper Aspiring Marijuana Retailer
- Mike McDonald City of Morton
- Linda Painter MJ Business Accounting
- Janis Aaron Moore Lifelong WA Resident/Medical Marijuana Patient
- Earl Livingston Kingdom Christian Center
- Randy Lais Best Buds
- Megan Sullivan WASA Board Member
- Jason Tarlton SICPA
- Marcos Zvniga ACLU of Washington
- Jean Ball
- Leslie Peoples
- Darren Nienaber Deputy City Attorney for City of Olympia

- Dave Yuhas Life Health Reasearch
- Paula Tschida Acinonyx Academy
- Candice Bock Association of Washington Cities
- Rhonda Walton Evo 2 Grow
- Mike Lough Property Owner
- Jim Brenner Security Consultant
- George Brereton Organic Farmer (Blueberries)
- Leslie Peoples

## ADJOURN

Chair Foster adjourned the meeting at 12:35.

Sharon Foster Board Chair Ruthann Kurose Board Member Chris Marr Board Member

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