



SAN FRANCISCO CANNABIS STATE LEGALIZATION TASK FORCE

MEETING 2: LEGAL AND REGULATORY LANDSCAPE

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March 9, 2016

Agenda Item 1:

Agenda Review and Member Introductions

- Members 13, 14, 20, to state:
 - Name
 - Seat
 - Reasons you had interest in being part of Task Force
 - Expertise represented by your seat

- Gretchen Paule, Task Force Coordinator, Introduction

Agenda Item 2:

Task Force Administration

Task Force Purpose and Outcome: Advise policymakers on matters relating to the potential legalization of cannabis in California

For Discussion:

- Vice Chairs
- Workforce Topic Area
- Subcommittee Selections Review

Agenda Item 3

Presentation

Overarching Legal and Regulatory Issues

Cannabis Task Force

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Established by BOS via Ordinance 115-15

Purpose

Advise policymakers on matters relating to the potential legalization of cannabis in California

Task Force Meeting Topics – YEAR 1

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- **Public Safety and Social Environment**
- **Land Use**
- **Regulation and City Agency Framework**

Overarching Legal and Regulatory Issues

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- Federal Cannabis Policy
- The Illicit Market
- Taxation as a Policy Tool
- Medical Cannabis Program

Federal Cannabis Policy

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- **Controlled Substances Act – Schedule I drug**

- **DOJ Enforcement Priorities**
 - preventing cannabis distribution to minors;
 - preventing diversion to other states;
 - preventing legal activity from being a cover for illegal trafficking;
 - preventing drugged driving; etc.

The Illicit Market

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- **Illicit Market + Legalization Policy Goals**
- **Other States' Experiences**
 - ▣ Washington – reduced excise tax and delivery services pilot program
- **The AUMA and the Illicit Market**
 - ▣ Advisory Group
 - ▣ Track and trace supply chain monitoring system

Taxation

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- **Taxation**
 - ▣ Revenue Source
 - ▣ Encourage broader policy goals

- **The AUMA Taxation Structure**
 - ▣ Cultivation - \$9.25 (flower); \$2.74 (leaves)
 - ▣ Retail – 15% excise tax

- **Local Taxation Schemes**

Medical Cannabis Program

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- AUMA preserves medical cannabis system
- **San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Program**
- **Recent Development – 2016 Medical Cannabis Taxation Bill**
 - 15% excise tax on medical cannabis
- Medical cannabis system important to monitor

Meeting Next Steps

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- Issue Brief + Spotlight Panel meant to complement each other
 - ▣ Issue Brief – summarizes important technical issues
 - ▣ Spotlight Panel - Bring Members' expertise to the forefront

- Workgroup Discussion – Agenda setting for future meetings

Agenda Item 4:

Task Force Member Spotlight Panel

Spotlight Panel

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Tim Morland:

Taxation and Banking

Spotlight Panel

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Erich Pearson, Jesse Stout: Cannabis Industry Perspective

Spotlight Panel

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Sara Payan and Michelle Aldrich:

Patient Perspective

Spotlight Panel

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Tomas Aragon:

**Medical Cannabis Program – Regulatory
Perspective**

Agenda Item 5:

10-min break

Agenda Item 6:

Agenda-Setting Workgroup Session

Agenda Item 7:

Public Comment

Agenda Item 8:

Wrap-up and Next Steps

NEXT MEETING

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
|---|------------------|------------------------------|
| April 13, 2016 Subcommittee – Public Safety and Social Environment | 1PM – 4PM | 25 Van Ness, Room 610 |