Performance Note
SB0089S02 - Medical Cannabidiol Amendments

Sponsor: Sen. Vickers, Evan J.

Performance Note Report

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Agency: Department of Health

Funding For:

New Services or Benefit

Public Benefit:

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Expected Outcome: DOH will issue 80% medical cannabidiol cards within 15 days after an individual submits an application. Timely processing of applications will expedite a qualifying patient's obtaining of the medical cannabidoil used to treat their medical condition. Over 15 days may be necessary to process applications that are incomplete when first submitted.

Implementations and Resources: DOH currently does not have the personnel resources necessary to implement SB 89. It is necessary for DOH to create a new position because the workload of existing employees is such that they could not take on the new responsibility. The electronic verification system will must be built to prevent incomplete applications from being submitted; however, system may not stop all incomplete applications.

How: Timely processing of applications is not possible without funding a new position. DOH can adequately support the services required by SB 89 if this funding is appropriated.

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Purpose: The Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) is required by this bill to issue licenses to qualified individuals to operate cannabidiol production establishments. Also, UDAF is directed to issue registration cards to qualified individuals to act as agents of medical cannabidiol establishments. These licenses and registration cards are required to insure that the operations related to the cultivation and processing of medicinal cannabidiol occur within the parameters set by the Legislature.

Services: 1. Establish compatibility standards for an inventory control system 2. Offer licenses to a person to operate a cannabidiol production establishment after proved compliance with the requirements in the bill. 3. License renewal in accordance with the stipulations identified in the bill. 4. Monitor the number of licenses issued based on a maximum identified in the bill. 5. Register qualified individuals as cannabidiol production establishment agents. 6. Perform inspections to insure that a cannabidiol production establishment complies with the requirements of the bill. 7. Laboratory services to verify that a cannabidiol batch that does not meet the requirements set forth in the bill are appropriately handled.

Expected Outcome: 1. Medical cannabidiol establishments shall maintain an inventory control system that meets the requirements of the bill. 2. Licenses and registration cards will be issued to qualified individuals in accordance with the standards identified in the bill. 3. Inspections will occur that verify cannabidiol production establishments are operating in accordance with the standards identified in the bill. 4. A cannabidiol batch that does not meet the qualifications identified in the bill is properly handled.

Implementations and Resources: 1. UDAF will work with the Department of Technology Services to identify the standards for an inventory control system. 2. Licensing and registration will be incorporated into the already existing licensing system utilized by UDAF. 3. Inspectors will receive training to allow them to properly make a determination as to the adequacy of operational measures being performed by cannabidiol production establishments.

How: The activities performed by UDAF personnel will allow qualified individuals operating cannabidiol production establishments to produce cannabidiol that meets the standards identified in the bill. They will also offer, to the public, assurance that the on-going operations of these establishments generate the product intended by the bill.

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