

CANNABIS

Addressing Utah's growing questions.



UTAH DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD



Issues Requiring Legislative Action

Payment Processing



- Marijuana classified Schedule 1 Substance (federally illegal)
- Most banks follow federal rules and **cannot** accept marijuana money
- States are exempt from federal reporting guidelines and **can** collect revenue from marijuana taxes and fees





Issues Requiring Legislative Action



- Many requests for industrial hemp and marijuana edibles
- “Medicinal dose form” language would exclude edibles
- Violates Wholesome Food Act (UCA 4-5-103) as defined by Food Additives (21 US Code 348)





Issues Requiring Legislative Action



- Address use in animal feed
- Cannot be used in animal feed: Utah Administrative Code R68-2-12(b), would render animal feed “adulterated” if used
- See also Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 225 and 226, Sections 225.1 – 225.115 and 226.1 – 226.115





Issues Requiring Legislative Action

Dispensaries



- HB 197: UDAF shall “establish ‘a’ state dispensary” by July 1, 2019
- Demand may exceed the capacity at a single dispensary
- UDAF does not currently have the infrastructure to provide this service
- Transport and location security protocols require significant consideration

