

## Performance Note SB0211 - Cannabinoid Product Act

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Performance Note Report

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Agency: Department of Health

Funding For:

New Services or Benefit

Public Benefit:

Purpose: This bill allows an individual with a qualifying illness to apply for and obtain a cannabinoid (CBD) card in order to legally possess and use CBD under certain circumstances. The Department of Health (DOH) responsibilities under this bill with a public benefit include: (1) issuing CBD cards to qualifying individuals; and (2) accepting reports from physicians of adverse events experienced by a patient related to the patient's CBD product use.

Services: Pursuant to SB 211, the legislature intends for the DOH to support services such as the planning, development, and ongoing issuance of CBD cards and the accepting reports of adverse events experienced by a patient related to the patient's CBD product use.

Expected Outcome: 1. DOH will issue 80% of CBD cards within 45 days after an individual submits an application. Timely processing of CBD card applications will expedite a qualifying patient's obtaining of CBD used to treat their medical condition. Over 45 days may be necessary to process applications that are incomplete when first submitted. 2. DOH will establish rules for physician reporting of adverse events by November 2017. Adverse events experienced by a patient related to the patient's CBD product use will be reported by their physician.

Implementations and Resources: DOH currently does not have the personnel resources necessary to implement SB 211. 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 the new responsibility. The electronic monitoring system must be built to prevent incomplete CBD card applications from being submitted; however, the system may not stop all incomplete applications. Furthermore, funds must be appropriated to cover the cost of accepting reports of adverse events experienced by a patient related to the patient's CBD product use requires funding.

How: Timely processing of CBD card applications is not possible without funding a new position. Furthermore, funds must be appropriated to cover the cost of accepting reports of adverse events experienced by a patient related to the patient's CBD product use requires funding. DOH can adequately support the services required by SB 211 if this funding is appropriated.

Performance Measures

## Goal

Title: Issue 80% of CBD cards within 45 days.

Description: DOH will issue 80% of CBD cards within 45 days after DOH receives a CBD card application.

Collection Method: The electronic monitoring system will have a report showing the date CBD card applications are received and the date the cards are issued and mailed to patients.

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