Tuesday, March 8, 2023

Written Testimony of Rob Bovett before the House Business and Labor Committee in Support of House Bill 3049 with Dash-1 Amendments

Dear Chair Holvey, Vice-Chairs Elmer and Sosa, and
Representatives Boshart Davis, Grayber, Hudson, Nelson, Nosse, Osborne, Owens, and Scharf,

For the record I'm Rob Bovett. I won't repeat my background in drug policy, which I already covered in testimony related to <u>Senate Bill 326</u> and <u>Senate Bill 766</u>.

Like those bills, <u>House Bill 3049</u> with the <u>Dash-1 Amendments</u> is another key component of the legislative portion of the recommendations from the Task Force on Cannabis-Derived Intoxicants and Illegal Cannabis Production, better known simply as the <u>HB 3000</u> / <u>SB 1564</u> Task Force.

A question arose today during the hearing on this bill regarding the membership of the Task Force. I have included a list of Task Force members on the next page, as well as a summary of the status of all of the Task Force bills on the third page.

This bill creates a registration system and labeling standards for hemp products containing cannabinoids, such as CBD or THC, that are intended for human or animal consumption. Registration is not required for fiber, grain products, or topical products such as lotions or soaps.

The goal of this bill is to provide consumer awareness and protection. The FDA currently prohibits CBD in foods or dietary supplements, but unregulated 'wellness' cannabinoid products, such as CBD tinctures and gummies, remain very popular. Because of the FDA prohibition, there are no labeling standards for these products, so consumers are left in the dark about ingredients, potency, serving sizes, or whether the products are intended for adults only.

The registration system will require a manufacturer to submit the name of the product, physical and mailing address of the manufacturer, the results of any required testing, and a copy of the label. Labeling requirements will include ingredients, serving size, potency, a list of cannabinoids in the product, and whether the product is intended for only adult use.

The Task Force unanimously supported this recommendation to ensure consumer awareness and protection. I urge you to support House Bill 3049 with the Dash-1 Amendments - as well as the other Task Force bills listed in the attached summary.

Sincerely,

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Cannabis-Derived Intoxicants and Illegal Cannabis Production Task Force

(aka HB 3000 / SB 1564 Task Force)

Task Force Membership

(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among the members of the Senate:

Senator Floyd Prozanski

(b) The Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among the members of the Senate:

Senator Bill Hansell

(c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among the members of the House of Representatives:

Representative Pam Marsh

Task Force Chair

(d) The House Minority Leader shall appoint one member

from among the members of the House of Representatives: Representative Lily Morgan

Task Force Vice-Chair

Appointed by the Governor:

(A) One member who represents counties in this state:

(B) One member who represents cities in this state:

Scott Winkels

(C) One member who represents sheriffs: Sheriff Nathan Sickler

(D) One member who represents industrial hemp growers registered or licensed under ORS 571.281: Courtney Moran

(E) One member who represents industrial hemp handlers
registered or licensed under ORS 571.281: Matt Cyrus

(F) The director of the Oregon State University Global Hemp Innovation Center, or a designee of the director:

(G) Two members who represent licensees, as defined in ORS 475C.009: Amanda Metzler and

Brent Kenyon

Emily Sitton

Jay Noller

(H) The Director of Agriculture, or a designee of the director:

Lauren Henderson

(I) The director of the Oregon Health Authority Public Health Division, or a designee of the director:

Andre Ourso

(J) The administrator of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission,
or a designee of the administrator:
Steve Marks

(K) One member who represents district attorneys: District Attorney Josh Eastman

(L) The Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries, or a designee of the commissioner:

(M) The Water Resources Director, or designee of the director: Justin Dillon

(N) One member who represents the Department of Justice: Amanda Swanson

(O) One member who represents the Department of State Police: Sergeant Tyler Bechtel

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2023 Oregon Legislation

Senate Bill 326

(Law Enforcement and Water Subcommittees)

- * Cleanup and nuisance abatement
- * Water use prohibition
- * Mobile tracking devices, pen registers and wires
- * Enhanced penalties for aggravated DTO grows

Status: - Had hearing in Senate Judiciary on February 2; LC is currently processing amendments.

Senate Bill 766 (same as House Bill 3048)

(Funding Subcommittee)

* Conforms IMMEGP statute to current practice plus TF recommendations

Status: Had hearing on February 22 at 1:00 PM. LC is currently processing amendments to add in the Funding Subcommittee recommendations:

- \$40M IMMEGP enforcement grants through CJC (all 3 combined CSL + new)
- \$6M IMMEGP victim services grants through CJC (CSL)
- \$5M IMMEGP state police grants through CJC (new)
- \$5M ODWRD for watermasters (CSL)
- \$750K ODOJ resource prosecutors for labor trafficking (new)

<u>Senate Bill 954</u> (see also <u>HB 2225</u> § 3 from the Oregon Judicial Department, containing some elements) (Law Enforcement Subcommittee)

* Updates search warrant statute to provide for multi-jurisdictional interrelated conduct

Status: Just introduced.

House Bill 2931

(Cannabinoids Subcommittee)

* Placeholder bill for a state refence lab.

Status: Amendments being worked on to replace this placeholder bill with a bill establishing a reference lab.

House Bill 3049

(Cannabinoids Subcommittee)

* Registration and labelling of cannabinoid products intended for human consumption.

Status: Hearing held in House Business and Labor today.

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