

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules
DATE: March 27, 2025
BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



OREGON LIQUOR AND CANNABIS COMMISSION

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointees

Devarshi Bajpai of Wilsonville
Kurt Huffman of Portland
Kelly Minty of Klamath Falls

Terms

May 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 471.705 \(2023\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Required.

Composition³

The commission has nine Oregon residents, with no more than five belonging to the same political party:

- one individual from each congressional district (WARREN (CD1/D), **MINTY (CD2/R)**, GLYNN (CD3/D), HAYES (CD4/D), MALETIS (CD5/R), **BAJPAI (CD6/I)**);
- one individual from eastern Oregon (DOHERTY (D));
- one individual from western Oregon (CHOUREY (D)); and
- one individual representing the public at large (**HUFFMAN (D)**).

Each commissioner must have resided in Oregon for at least five years, be an elector, and be at least 30 years old. One member must represent the food and beverage industry (FLOYD) and no other commissioner may have a financial interest, or a

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2023\)](#), [ORS 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

³ [ORS 471.705 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

household or immediate family member with financial interest, in the manufacture of alcoholic beverages in Oregon.⁴

Commissioners serve four-year terms that commence on April 1, are eligible for reappointment, and limited to two full terms. The Governor designates the chair.⁵ A majority of the commissioners constitutes a quorum.

Duties⁶

The commission is responsible for regulating the manufacture, possession, sale, purchase, transportation, importation, and delivery of alcoholic liquor, wine, beer, cider, and marijuana in Oregon by administering the Liquor Control Act as well as the Control, Regulation, and Taxation of Marijuana and Industrial Hemp Act. The agency also regulates the production, processing, and sale of medical products sold to Oregon Medical Marijuana Program (OMMP) cardholders in OLCC licensed marijuana retail shops.

The commission must

- appoint an administrator who serves as the commission secretary, records custodian, and the manager who administers the laws and handles personnel;
- grant, refuse, suspend, delay, or cancel licenses or permits;
- collect specified taxes and fees and maintain specified funds;
- investigate and aid in the prosecution of statutory violations;
- adopt necessary rules and regulations;
- regulate the advertisement of alcohol;
- establish stores and warehouses for selling alcohol;
- administer the Control, Regulation, and Taxation of Marijuana and Industrial Hemp Act and portions of the Oregon Medical Marijuana Act;
- report specified information to the Legislative Assembly each biennium;
- consult and coordinate with state agencies and local government; and
- establish and consult with specified advisory committees.

⁴ [ORS 471.710 \(2023\)](#).

⁵ [ORS 471.715 \(2023\)](#).

⁶ ORS chapters [471](#), [473](#), [474](#), [475C](#) (2023).



Liquor and Cannabis Commission, Oregon

Agency: **Liquor & Cannabis Commission, Oregon**

Authorization: **ORS 471.705**

Min Members: **7** Max Members: **9**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Public Safety**

Board Admin: **Craig Prins**

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Current Appointments

Mr Maletis, Matthew "Matt"

CD 5; Republican

Position Number: **7**

Term(s):

4/1/2021 - 3/31/2025

11/17/2017 - 3/31/2021

Warren, Tamiko

CD 1; Democrat

Position Number: **1**

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 3/31/2025

Ms Currin, Jennifer E

CD 2; Republican

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

4/1/2021 - 3/31/2025

9/25/2017 - 3/31/2021

Mr Doherty, Dennis D

CD 5; Democrat (East of the Cascades Rep)

Position Number: **5**

Term(s):

4/1/2024 - 3/31/2028

11/19/2021 - 3/31/2024

Minty, Kelley

CD 2; Republican

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

5/1/2025 - 6/30/2029

Mrs Floyd, Kiauna K

CD 3; Independent (Food & Beverage Rep)

Position Number: **8**

Term(s):

4/1/2021 - 3/31/2025

3/1/2019 - 3/31/2021

Glynn, Mary Ellen

CD 3; Democrat

Position Number: **3**

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 3/31/2027

Ms Hayes, Alicia A

CD 4; Democrat

Position Number: **4**

Term(s):

10/5/2023 - 3/31/2027

Gyapong, Fay CD 6; Unaffiliated Position Number: 6	Term(s):	11/19/2021 - 3/31/2025
Mr Bajpai, Devarshi CD 6; Independent Position Number: 6	Term(s):	5/1/2025 - 6/30/2029
Huffman, Kurt CD1; Republican; Food & Bev Rep Position Number: 8	Term(s):	5/1/2025 - 6/30/2029
Chourey, Nikhil "Nik" CD 3; Democrat (West of the Cascades Rep) Position Number: 9	Term(s):	2/16/2024 - 3/31/2027

Vacant Positions