Advisory Committee on Cultivation Facility Experience

Wednesday, April 17, 2019
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Truman Building, Fourth Floor
Room 492

Advisory Committee Members Present
Paul Bailey, Department of Agriculture – State of Missouri Executive Branch Member
Lyle Rowland – Public Member
Hwei Ying Johnson – Public Member

Department Staff Present
Lyndall Fraker, Section for Medical Marijuana Regulation, DHSS
Richard Moore, General Counsel, DHSS
Steve Doerhoff, Legal Counsel, DHSS

Lyndall Fraker, the Director of the Section for Medical Marijuana Regulation, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (“DHSS”) opened the meeting and introduced the committee members present.

Richard Moore, General Counsel, reported that the questions were previously sent to the committee members and feedback was given to the Department by the members. The public was also given the opportunity previously to submit comments on the questions. The questions were revised and presented again to the committee members. Following review of the revised questions, a few amendments from the committee members were provided and will be discussed today. Richard Moore reported that once a question has been determined to meet the requirements of the committee, the committee members will be asked to establish what they believe to be the importance level of the question. Richard Moore reported that a scale was provided to committee members to make that determination. The scale is as follows:
1 – Slightly Important
2 – Important
3 – Highly Important
4 – Critically Important

**Question 117:**
Describe your experience with agriculture and/or horticulture.

Weight of question: **3 – Highly Important**

Committee consensus on question and weight of question.
**Question 118:**
Do you have professional experience with healthcare as it relates to growing substances for medical or therapeutic purposes?

Weight of question: **1 – Slightly Important**

There was discussion on the weight of the question and Richard Moore discussed the constitutional topic, which is “in the case of Medical Marijuana Cultivation Facilities, capacity or experience with agriculture, horticulture, and healthcare.”

Committee consensus on question and weight of question.

Richard Moore inquired about the three questions that the Department recommended deleting.

**Question 119:**
Will the facility have a physician or pharmacist retained for consultation to establish their processes?

**Question 120:**
Will the facility have a physician or pharmacist retained for consultation after their processes are established?

**Question 121:**
Describe your experience cultivating plants for human consumption as food or medical products.

Committee consensus on deletion of questions.

**Question 122:**
Describe your experience with genetic modification or breeding.

Hwei Ying Johnson recommended deletion of this question.

Committee consensus on deletion of question.

**Question 123:**
Describe your experience with maintaining a sanitary growing facility.

Hwei Ying Johnson recommended amending the question.
**Question as amended:**
Describe your experience with maintaining a sanitary growing facility, *from seed or clone through packaging*.

Weight of question: **4 – Critically Important**

Committee consensus to amend question and on weight of question.

**Question 124:**
Describe your experience with tracking plants to harvest.

Hwei Ying Johnson recommended modifying the question.

**Question as modified:**
Describe your experience with *product coding/traceability*.

Weight of question: **4 – Critically Important**

Committee consensus to amend question and on weight on question.

**Question 125:**
Describe your experience with recalls.

Department staff recommended modifying the question.

**Question as modified:**
Describe your experience with recalls *and any proposed plan to recall medical marijuana*.

Weight of question: **2 – Important**

Committee consensus to modify question and on weight of question.

**Question 126:**
Describe any existing or future plans for utility provider agreements.

Richard Moore discussed the reasoning for including the question and it was recommended by the committee members that modification be made.

**Question as modified:**
Describe any existing or future plans for utility *(electric and water)* provider agreements.

Weight of question: **2 – Important**

Committee consensus to modify question and on weight of question.
The committee discussed the four new questions that Hwei Ying Johnson submitted for consideration.

**New Question 1:**
Describe the design and capacity/size of your proposed cultivation facility.

Weight of question: **2 – Important**

Committee consensus on addition of question and on weight of question.

**New Question 2:**
Describe the technology to be used in growing medical marijuana in your proposed cultivation facility.

Weight of question: **2 – Important**

Committee consensus on addition of question and on weight of question.

**New Question 3:**
Describe your experience with food safety practices, including any certifications.

The committee discussed amending the question.

**Question as amended:**
Describe your *plan for good agricultural practices (GAP)*, including any certifications.

Weight of question: **2 – Important**

Committee consensus on addition of question as amended and on weight of question.

**New Question 4:**
Describe the quality control plan for the proposed cultivation facility.

Weight of question: **3 – Highly Important**

Committee consensus on addition of question and weight of question.

The Advisory Committee voted unanimously in favor of accepting the questions as amended. The meeting was concluded.