# CHANGES TO CANNABIS LAWS

CANNABIS-RELATED DUI INVESTIGATIONS

# CANNABIS DUI OBSERVE, TEST, DOCUMENT, ARTICULATE, AND PROSECUTE.

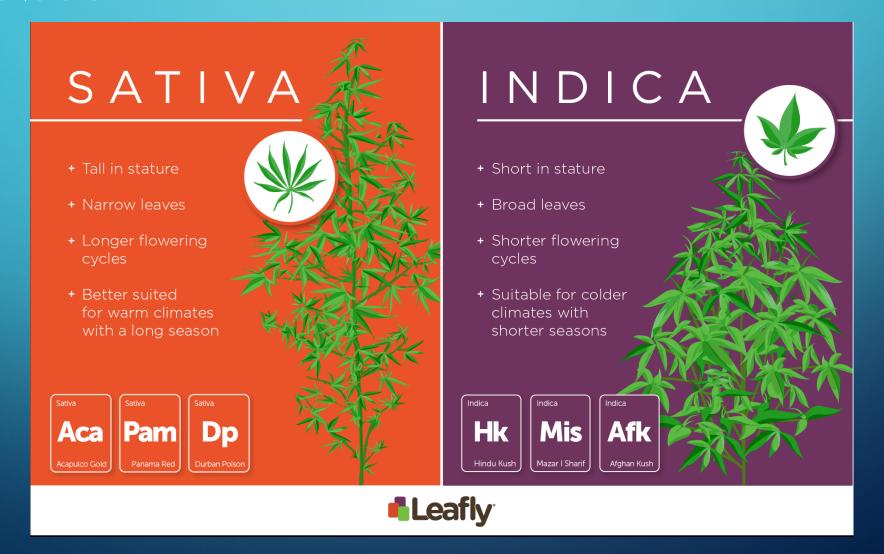
### TYPES OF CANNABINOIDS

- Cannabidiol (CBD)
- Cannabinol (CBN)
- Tetrahydrocannabivarin (THCV)
- Synthetic

### TYPES OF CANNABINOIDS

- the main drivers of cannabis' therapeutic and recreational effects:
- THC (Δ9-tetrahydrocannabinal) makes us feel hungry and high, and relieves symptoms like pain and nausea.
- CBD (cannabidiol) is a non-intoxicating compound known to alleviate anxiety, pain, inflammation, and many other medical ailments.

### **IDENTIFY**



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### CANNABIS SATIVA

- Effects:
  - Invigorating, uplifting cerebral effects
  - Recommended for physical activity and creativity

### INDICA

- Effects:
  - Physically sedating
  - Relaxing
  - May cause drowsiness

### SYMPTOMS

- Some short-term effects of THC include:
- Elation
- Relaxation
- Sedation
- Pain relief
- Memory impairment
- Energy
- Hunger

### SYMPTOMS OF USE

- Drowsiness
- Increased heart rate
- Dry mouth
- Red eyes
- Slowed perception of time
- Laughter
- Dizziness
- "Couch-lock," or feeling heavy
- Anxiety/paranoia

### SYMPTOMS

#### 11 Negative Side Effects of Using Marijuana

- 1. Addiction
- 2. Memory Loss
- 3. Social Anxiety Disorders
- 4. Paranoia
- 5. Heart Damage
- 6. Lung Problems
- 7. Low Testosterone
- 8. Appetite Irregularities
- 9. Risk of Greater Potency
- 10. Decrease in Motor Responses
- 11. Poor Decisions

### MARIJUANA CONCENTRATION

- Historical Strength of THC in Marijuana 0.11-27.3%
- 2013 THC strength many products above 20%
- Marijuana concentrate-above 50% THC

### FACTORS LEADING TO PEAK INTOXICATION

- Dose
  - THC Concentration in the Marijuana
  - Amount smoked
  - Duration and frequency of smoking/inhalation
  - Tolerance
  - Co-ingestion with alcohol or other drugs

### CANNABIS IMPAIRMENT

- Typical Major Effects of Cannabis on User
  - Euphoria
  - Relaxation
  - Perceptual Changes
    - Time
    - Distance

### CANNABIS IMPAIRMENT

- Frequent natural side effects
  - Inappropriate laughing
  - Droopy Eyelids
  - Bloodshot eyes
  - Appetite Stimulation
  - Muscle tremors, head movements and jerks

### CANNABIS IMPAIRMENT

- Know Cognitive Effects
  - Concertation and sustained attention and vigilance
  - Fatigue, sleepiness, lethargy, memory problems
  - Reaction time
  - Difficulty in thinking and problem solving
  - Difficulty in registering, processing and using information

### HORIZONTAL GAZE NYSTAGMUS



### HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL GAZE NYSTAGMUS

- The CB1 receptor is not connected to the brain which control the tracking of the eyes
- However at extreme levels of intoxication Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus may occur

### **PUPILS**

- The radial and pupillary dilatory muscles in the iris control the changes in pupil size
- The muscles are mostly controlled by the sympathetic/parasympathetic nervous system
- Pupil dilation is a symptom of cannabinoid use or the constriction of the opioi
   mu receptor

### **PUPILS**

### • SIZE:

 High THC concentration causes a transient sympathetic/parasympathetic effect resulting in dilation



### REACTION TO LIGHT

- Pupils contract and dilate in response to the amount of light in the environment
- THC slows/reduces the electrical activity in the brain and minimizes the pupils response to light. –Normal
- Due to the dilated pupils one of the most common traffic infractions indicating possible driver impairment is Driving without headlights at night.

### STANDARDIZED FIELD SOBRIETY TEST (SFST)

- The Papafotiou, Carter and Stough, Psychoparm of December 2004 study found the following results in the effectiveness of SFSTs in regards to cannabis impairment:
  - In heavy users SFSTs were only mildly sensitive to cannabis induced impairment
  - The most sensitive test was the One Leg Stand Test
  - After two hours from the time of using cannabis 15 of subjects showed HGN
  - Subjects who have used cannabis may self-report feeling "high" at the time of the SFSTs
  - Many of the participants in the study developed behavioral tolerance to THC impairment

### STUDY CONCLUSIONS

- Signs of impairment observed during SFSTs indicate subject is substantially impaired
- Many subjects who recently used Marijuana will not demonstrate impairment
- It is important for officers to report observations of impairment at the time of the arrest

### CHEMICAL TESTING

- Blood draw is at this time the most effective way to determine the current concentration of THC in the blood.
- However THC mostly metabolizes to the fatty tissue such as the brain.
- Urine can be collected but only shows the user has a history of THC.

### **COGNITIVE AFFECTS**

- Attentiveness
- Vigilance
- Perception of time and space
- Use of acquired knowledge

### AREAS OF PERFORMANCE IMPAIRMENT DUE TO THC

- Tracking
- Motor Coordination
- Visual function
- Complex divided attention tasks

### DRE'S USE APPLIED SCIENCE TO ASSIST IN OBTAINING PROBABLE CAUSE AND PROSECUTION OF THE CASE.

DRE Matrix							
	Depressants	Inhalants	Dissociative Anesthetics	Cannabis	Stimulants	Hallucinogens	Narcotic Analgesics
Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus	Present	Present	Present	None	None	None	None
Vertical Gaze Nystagmus	Present	Present	Present	None	None	None	None
Lack of Convergence	Present	Present	Present	Present	None	None	None
Pupil size	Normal	Normal	Normal	Dilated	Dilated	Dilated	Constricted
Reaction to light	Slow	Slow	Normal	Normal	Slow	Normal	Little to none
Pulse	Down	Up	Up	Up	Up	Up	Down
Blood Pressure	Down	Up/Down	Up	Up	Up	Up	Down
Body Temp	Normal	Up/Down /Normal	Up	Normal	Up	Up	Down

### BOTTOM LINE

- The officer on scene must use their training and observations to establish probable cause.
- The officer must gather evidence such as video and chemical testing
- The officer must thoroughly document and articulate the observations of indicators of impairment

# CHANGES TO CANNABIS LAWS

CHANGES AND THEIR IMPACT ON BUSINESSES, LOCAL

**GOVERNMENT & THE COMMUNITY** 

### HB 1438 - PUBLIC ACT 101-0027

- "In the interest of allowing law enforcement to focus on violent and property crimes, generating revenue for education, substance abuse prevention and treatment, freeing public resources to invest in communities and other public purposes, and individual freedom, the General Assembly finds and declares that the use of cannabis should be legal for persons 21 years of age or older and should be taxed in a manner similar to alcohol."
- Signed into law on June 25, 2019 by Gov. Pritzker and is EFFECTIVE immediately
- Will allow for the lawful use, production and sale of recreational cannabis BEGINNING January 1, 2020

### THE WHO, WHAT, WHERE & HOW OF ILLINOIS CANNABIS LEGISLATION

**WHO:** (as of 1/1/20)

• Illinois Residents 21+ years and over (<u>like</u> alcohol)

• Somewhat different rules for 21+ years and over Non-Residents (unlike alcohol)

### **WHAT:**

ACT DEALS WITH BOTH MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL CANNABIS POSSESSION, CULTIVATION, SALE AND CONSUMPTION.

LEGALIZED RECREATIONAL CANNABIS:

**Possession Limits** 

Raw cannabis (cannabis flower)

Residents: 30 grams

Non-Residents: 15 grams





LEGALIZED RECREATIONAL CANNABIS:

**Possession Limits** 

Cannabis Concentrates (oils, tinctures)

Residents: 5 grams

Non-Residents: 2.5 grams





LEGALIZED RECREATIONAL CANNABIS:

**Possession Limits** 

Cannabis-infused Products (edibles)

Residents: 500 milligrams THC

Non-Residents: 250 milligrams THC



### WHERE, WHEN & HOW

#### **RECREATIONAL CANNABIS**

- MUST be purchased from a licensed dispensary
- PROHIBITS "home grown" plants for recreational use
- <u>ALLOWED in PRIVATE</u> areas only includes private residences
- PROHIBITED in PUBLIC Places any place where it would be reasonably expected to be seen by others, specifically including all governmental buildings.
  - No use on school buses, school grounds, in public parks, motor vehicles, child care facilities (even if residential home), or "knowingly" in close proximity to anyone under 21.
  - Can be prohibited from use in "private areas" of public buildings such as businesses or common areas of condominiums. NOTE: Condo's can use their declarations to prohibit the *smoking* of Cannabis in units but not its consumption in other forms (i.e. edibles and other liquid or food-based products)
- Can be transported in a motor vehicle but MUST be in a sealed container that is "reasonably inaccessible" and must not create odor



### WHERE, WHEN & HOW (CONT'D)

### **MEDICAL CANNABIS CHANGES:**



- Users <u>can cultivate</u> if:
  - The Individual is part of the Medical Cannabis Pilot Program (Medical Cannabis Card)
  - That individual lives in the residence where it is grown or has permission from owner
  - Individual does not exceed the maximum of 5 plants that are 5 inches or taller
  - Plants are kept secured from unauthorized access in a closed, locked space

### **TYPES OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES**

- Cultivation Center can grow up to 210,000 square feet of cannabis
- Craft Grower can grow between 5,000 and 14,000 square feet of canopy space and may be separately licensed as a dispensary and infusert at the same location
- Transportation Organization transports cannabis between business licensees
- Dispensary provides cannabis products to adult consumers
- Infuser infuses products such as edibles with cannabis extracts

### **IMPACT ON EMPLOYERS**

It's helpful to start thinking about and dealing with legal cannabis use like you do alcohol.

### WHAT CAN EMPLOYERS DO?

- Can an Employer regulate the use of cannabis by its employees? YES sort of...
- Employers CAN update their written policies/employee handbooks to address cannabis in the workplace
- Employers CAN adopt a zero tolerance policy for use / possession during work hours on work property
- ullet Employers CAN still discipline and/or terminate an employee for violating these policies.
- Employers CAN send for mandatory drug testing if it is believed the employee is under the influence of cannabis but employer must have a **good faith belief** that there are outward signs of use and impairment while working which effects employees ability to do job.

### IMPACT ON EMPLOYERS (CONT'D)

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WHAT CAN'T EMPLOYERS DO?

- Employers CAN'T discipline based on alleged cannabis impairment without providing employees the chance to contest the basis for any discipline
- Employers CAN'T discriminate against employees for use of "lawful products" like cannabis during non-working and non-call hours
- Employers CAN'T use a positive pre-hire drug test as a basis to deny employment (so
   pre-hire drug testing policies and practices will need to be re-evaluated)

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION**

- NOTE: Local Governmental entities CAN'T prohibit recreational cannabis use/possession completely
- Units of local government, including counties, home rule and non-home rule bodies, have significant regulatory authority of recreational cannabis businesses. BUT cannot regulate in a manner MORE restrictive than in the Act!!
- Local governments <u>CAN</u> enact reasonable zoning ordinances or resolutions to regulate, prohibit or limit a cannabis business establishment provided they do not conflict with the Act.
- CAN require distances between cannabis businesses and "sensitive locations" such as schools, playgrounds and churches.
- CAN enact ordinances regarding time, place, manner and number of cannabis businesses provided they do not unreasonably restrict them.
- There is no "Opt Out" time frame requirement so if a local body has not passed ordinances permitting/regulating/limiting/banning cannabis businesses by 1/1/20 the local body may still do so after that date but is subject to those businesses already in existence.
- CAN'T license the activities of a cannabis business (i.e. CAN'T give a business a dispensary license but CAN enforce normal building codes)

### **CANNABIS TAXATION**

### **Types of Taxes**

Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax:

Up to 3% of the gross receipts of a Dispensary

• <u>Cultivation Privilege Tax(State):</u>

7% tax on the gross receipts from the sale of cannabis by a cultivator (or craft grower) who sells to a Dispensary

- Cannabis Purchaser Excise Tax(State) Paid by recreational buyers:
  - Cannabis with a THC level at or below 35% has a tax of 10% of purchase price
  - Cannabis with a THC level at or above 35% has a tax of 25% of purchase price
  - All cannabis-infused products have a tax of 20% of purchase price
- County Retailers Occupation Tax: CAN tax dispensary up to .75% of the gross receipts in municipalities and up to 3.75% of the gross receipts of sales in unincorporated areas of a non-home rule county
  - 3% of the gross sales receipts made in a municipality located in a home rule county.
- Medical cannabis is exempt from these taxes

### **CANNABIS TAXATION**

WHERE DOES THE TAX MONEY GO?



• AFTER administrative expenses are paid the monies raised from State taxes will be divided into different areas/funds specifically designated for purposes related to crime prevention or the rebuilding of communities, areas and populations affected by drugs and crime

### **CANNABIS TAXATION**

### WHERE DOES THE TAX MONEY GO?

- 35% to the General Revenue Fund
- 25% to the Recover, Reinvest, and Renew (3R) Program
- 20% to Mental Health Services and substance abuse programs
- 10% to pay unpaid state bills backlog (currently \$5.8 Billion)
- 8% to Local Government Distributive Fund for Law Enforcement
- 2% to Public Education and Safety Campaigns



### IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY

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### **SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAMS**

- "In the interest of establishing a legal cannabis industry that is equitable and accessible to those most adversely impacted by the enforcement of drug-related laws in this State, including cannabis related laws, the General Assembly finds and declares that a social equity program should be established."
- Part of the social equity program is to offer financial assistance and license application benefits to those individuals "most directly and adversely impacted by the enforcement of cannabis-related laws who are interested in starting cannabis business establishments."
  - Applicants can qualify as a "social equity applicant" for licensing status if:
    - Illinois resident
    - At least 51% ownership and control of business by one or more who have resided for at least 5 of the prior 10 years in an area disproportionately impacted OR have been arrested for, convicted of, or adjudged to be a ward of the juvenile court for any offense that is eligible for expungement under this Act OR a member of an impacted family.

### IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY



### **SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAMS**

### Cannabis Business Development Fund:

- Fund held by the State Treasury
- Will provide low-interest loans and grants to social equity applicants to start cannabis businesses.
- Will conduct studies on the participation of minorities, women, veterans and people with disabilities in the cannabis business
- Will assist in job training for residents in areas impacted by poverty and high rates of arrests for cannabis offenses.

### IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY



### **SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAMS**

Restore, Reinvest, and Renew Program ("R3")

- Will invest revenues from cannabis taxes to communities impacted by economic disadvantages, poverty and violence.
- Will identify those areas that are R3 eligible using data on gun violence, unemployment, child poverty and incarceration.
- R3 will receive 25% of the state tax revenue after expenses
- R3 board will provide grants to address economic development, violence prevention, re-entry services, youth development and civil legal aid.

