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EXECUTIVE ORDER

DIRECTING STATE AGENCIES TO IMPLEMENT SENATE BILL 13-283

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, pursuant to powers vested in the Governor pursuant to article IV, section 2 of the Colorado Constitution and Section 24-20-112 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order directing the implementation of article XVIII, section 16 of the Colorado Constitution.

I. Background

On May 28, 2013, Senate Bill 13-283 was signed into law. This bill, implementing portions of article XVIII, section 16 of the Colorado Constitution, creates regulations for the retail marijuana industry. Senate Bill 13-283 gives the Governor the authority to designate specific state agencies with tasks relating to the processing, cultivation, handling and laboratory practices for the retail marijuana industry. Senate Bill 13-283 also provides that the Governor designate a state agency to establish an educational oversight committee with the purpose of educating necessary stakeholders on retail marijuana use and cultivation. Senate Bill 13-283 further provides that the Governor designate a state agency with the task of establishing educational materials that help prevent marijuana usage for those younger than 21 years, and educate those 21 and older about appropriate retail marijuana use. The agencies we have selected for these tasks are listed below.

II. Declaration and Directives

A. The Colorado Department of Agriculture shall create a list of substances that may not be used in the cultivation or processing of marijuana and it shall promulgate rules for such banned substances. The Colorado Department of Agriculture is encouraged to consult with other state agencies including the Colorado Department of Revenue and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment as it compiles the list of banned substances and promulgates rules relating thereto.

B. The Colorado Department of Agriculture shall assist in the formation of, and then work with, a private advisory group that will develop good cultivation and handling practices for the

marijuana industry. The Colorado Department of Agriculture is encouraged to consult with other state agencies including the Colorado Department of Revenue and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to receive technical assistance to develop good cultivation and handling practices for the marijuana industry.

C. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment shall assist in the formation of, and then work with, a private advisory group that will develop good laboratory practices for the retail marijuana industry. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is encouraged to consult with other state agencies including the Colorado Department of Revenue and the Colorado Department of Agriculture to receive technical assistance in the development of good laboratory practices for the retail marijuana industry.

D. The Office of the Governor, in consultation with the Colorado Department of Human Services, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the Colorado Department of Public Safety and other state agencies as deemed appropriate from time to time, shall establish a marijuana educational oversight committee composed of members with relevant experience in marijuana issues. This marijuana educational oversight committee shall develop and implement recommendations for the education of all necessary stakeholders on issues related to marijuana use, cultivation, and other relevant issues. Further, if this committee finds it appropriate, it shall encourage professions to encourage marijuana education as a part of continuing education programs.

E. The Office of the Governor, in consultation with the Colorado Department of Human Services, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and other state agencies as deemed necessary from time to time, shall develop and deploy educational materials regarding appropriate retail marijuana use, the prevention of marijuana use by those persons under twenty-one years of age, and materials to discourage driving while under the influence of marijuana. The Office of the Governor will utilize established best practices, existing federal and state resources and innovative tools in developing and deploying these educational materials.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this eleventh day of June, 2013.

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor