



**WSBA Cannabis Law Section
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
January 4, 2022**

1. Welcome
 - a. Call to order
 - b. Welcome to all present/roll call
2. Approval of prior meeting minutes
3. Industry Updates (10 minutes)
 - a. SAFE Banking removed from NDAA
 - b. WSLCB Meeting on 1/5 at 10:00 am
 - i. Adopting final rules in a CR-103 for the THC rulemaking project – Rules relate to the evaluation of additives, solvents, ingredients or compounds used in the production of marijuana products
 - c. Pre-Filed Cannabis-Related Legislation
 - i. HB 1667 - *Concerning ownership of cannabis-related businesses*
 - A. The bill would amend the current RCWs so that only those natural persons holding an ownership interest of more than 10% in a cannabis business would need to be approved by the Board. Those owners holding an ownership interest between 1% - 10% must be disclosed, but no approval is required. This would eliminate the residency requirement for anyone seeking to own less than 10% of a cannabis business.
 - ii. HB 1668 - *Expanding regulatory authority over cannabinoids that may be impairing and providing for enhanced product safety and consumer information disclosure about marijuana products*
 - A. The bill would grant the board broad authority to regulate all “cannabinoids that may be impairing.”
 - iii. HB 1681 - *Modifying the requirements for vacating conviction records*
 - A. RCW 9.94A.640 currently says that if an offender meets the tests prescribed within the section for vacating a conviction, the court **may** clear the record of the conviction. The bill would amend the language to say that “the court **shall** clear the record”

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iv. HB 1710 - *Establishing a Washington state cannabis commission*

A. The bill would create a new Cannabis Commission focused on research and education of the cannabis industry

v. SB 5517 - *Concerning employment of individuals who lawfully consume cannabis*

A. The bill would make it unlawful to refuse to hire or fire an employee should the results of a drug screening test indicate the presence of cannabis

vi. SB 5547 – [Companion bill to HB 1668]

d. WA Office of the Governor Proposed 2022 Budget (12/16) – Governor Inslee signaled support for addressing the harms of the war on drugs through a community reinvestment program suggested by the Social Equity in Cannabis Task Force

i. Governor will request legislation to establish a Community Reinvestment Fund of \$125M to provide grants to disproportionately affected communities

ii. Funds will be used to prevent violence, offer civil and criminal legal aid to expunge criminal records and vacate criminal convictions, and implement reentry services to facilitate successful transitions for formerly incarcerated individuals

4. Housekeeping Items

a. Update on upcoming mini-CLE session – The Future: A Path Forward on January 7, 2022

5. Next EC Meeting – February 1, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.