

**Amendment 64**  
**Use and Regulation of Marijuana**

1 **Ballot Title:** Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution  
2 concerning marijuana, and, in connection therewith, providing for the regulation  
3 of marijuana; permitting a person twenty-one years of age or older to consume or  
4 possess limited amounts of marijuana; providing for the licensing of cultivation  
5 facilities, product manufacturing facilities, testing facilities, and retail stores;  
6 permitting local governments to regulate or prohibit such facilities; requiring the  
7 general assembly to enact an excise tax to be levied upon wholesale sales of  
8 marijuana; requiring that the first \$40 million in revenue raised annually by such  
9 tax be credited to the public school capital construction assistance fund; and  
10 requiring the general assembly to enact legislation governing the cultivation,  
11 processing, and sale of industrial hemp?

12 **Text of Measure:**

13 *Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:*

14 Article XVIII of the constitution of the state of Colorado is amended BY THE  
15 ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

16 **Section 16. Personal use and regulation of marijuana**

17 **(1) Purpose and findings.**

18 (a) IN THE INTEREST OF THE EFFICIENT USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
19 RESOURCES, ENHANCING REVENUE FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES, AND INDIVIDUAL  
20 FREEDOM, THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE THAT THE  
21 USE OF MARIJUANA SHOULD BE LEGAL FOR PERSONS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE  
22 OR OLDER AND TAXED IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO ALCOHOL.

23 (b) IN THE INTEREST OF THE HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY OF OUR  
24 CITIZENRY, THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FURTHER FIND AND DECLARE  
25 THAT MARIJUANA SHOULD BE REGULATED IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO ALCOHOL SO  
26 THAT:

27 (I) INDIVIDUALS WILL HAVE TO SHOW PROOF OF AGE BEFORE PURCHASING  
28 MARIJUANA;

1 (II) SELLING, DISTRIBUTING, OR TRANSFERRING MARIJUANA TO MINORS  
2 AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE SHALL REMAIN  
3 ILLEGAL;

4 (III) DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF MARIJUANA SHALL REMAIN  
5 ILLEGAL;

6 (IV) LEGITIMATE, TAXPAYING BUSINESS PEOPLE, AND NOT CRIMINAL  
7 ACTORS, WILL CONDUCT SALES OF MARIJUANA; AND

8 (V) MARIJUANA SOLD IN THIS STATE WILL BE LABELED AND SUBJECT TO  
9 ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS TO ENSURE THAT CONSUMERS ARE INFORMED AND  
10 PROTECTED.

11 (c) IN THE INTEREST OF ENACTING RATIONAL POLICIES FOR THE  
12 TREATMENT OF ALL VARIATIONS OF THE CANNABIS PLANT, THE PEOPLE OF  
13 COLORADO FURTHER FIND AND DECLARE THAT INDUSTRIAL HEMP SHOULD BE  
14 REGULATED SEPARATELY FROM STRAINS OF CANNABIS WITH HIGHER DELTA-9  
15 TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL (THC) CONCENTRATIONS.

16 (d) THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FURTHER FIND AND DECLARE  
17 THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO ENSURE CONSISTENCY AND FAIRNESS IN THE  
18 APPLICATION OF THIS SECTION THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND THAT, THEREFORE,  
19 THE MATTERS ADDRESSED BY THIS SECTION ARE, EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED HEREIN,  
20 MATTERS OF STATEWIDE CONCERN.

21 **(2) Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE  
22 REQUIRES,

23 (a) "COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE" MEANS ARTICLE 43.3 OF  
24 TITLE 12, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.

25 (b) "CONSUMER" MEANS A PERSON TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER  
26 WHO PURCHASES MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS FOR PERSONAL USE BY  
27 PERSONS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, BUT NOT FOR RESALE TO OTHERS.

28 (c) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OR ITS  
29 SUCCESSOR AGENCY.

30 (d) "INDUSTRIAL HEMP" MEANS THE PLANT OF THE GENUS CANNABIS AND  
31 ANY PART OF SUCH PLANT, WHETHER GROWING OR NOT, WITH A DELTA-9

1 TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL CONCENTRATION THAT DOES NOT EXCEED THREE-  
2 TENTHS PERCENT ON A DRY WEIGHT BASIS.

3 (e) "LOCALITY" MEANS A COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, OR CITY AND COUNTY.

4 (f) "MARIJUANA" OR "MARIHUANA" MEANS ALL PARTS OF THE PLANT OF  
5 THE GENUS CANNABIS WHETHER GROWING OR NOT, THE SEEDS THEREOF, THE RESIN  
6 EXTRACTED FROM ANY PART OF THE PLANT, AND EVERY COMPOUND,  
7 MANUFACTURE, SALT, DERIVATIVE, MIXTURE, OR PREPARATION OF THE PLANT, ITS  
8 SEEDS, OR ITS RESIN, INCLUDING MARIHUANA CONCENTRATE. "MARIJUANA" OR  
9 "MARIHUANA" DOES NOT INCLUDE INDUSTRIAL HEMP, NOR DOES IT INCLUDE FIBER  
10 PRODUCED FROM THE STALKS, OIL, OR CAKE MADE FROM THE SEEDS OF THE PLANT,  
11 STERILIZED SEED OF THE PLANT WHICH IS INCAPABLE OF GERMINATION, OR THE  
12 WEIGHT OF ANY OTHER INGREDIENT COMBINED WITH MARIJUANA TO PREPARE  
13 TOPICAL OR ORAL ADMINISTRATIONS, FOOD, DRINK, OR OTHER PRODUCT.

14 (g) "MARIJUANA ACCESSORIES" MEANS ANY EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR  
15 MATERIALS OF ANY KIND WHICH ARE USED, INTENDED FOR USE, OR DESIGNED FOR  
16 USE IN PLANTING, PROPAGATING, CULTIVATING, GROWING, HARVESTING,  
17 COMPOSTING, MANUFACTURING, COMPOUNDING, CONVERTING, PRODUCING,  
18 PROCESSING, PREPARING, TESTING, ANALYZING, PACKAGING, REPACKAGING,  
19 STORING, VAPORIZING, OR CONTAINING MARIJUANA, OR FOR INGESTING, INHALING,  
20 OR OTHERWISE INTRODUCING MARIJUANA INTO THE HUMAN BODY.

21 (h) "MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY" MEANS AN ENTITY LICENSED TO  
22 CULTIVATE, PREPARE, AND PACKAGE MARIJUANA AND SELL MARIJUANA TO RETAIL  
23 MARIJUANA STORES, TO MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES, AND  
24 TO OTHER MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITIES, BUT NOT TO CONSUMERS.

25 (i) "MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT" MEANS A MARIJUANA CULTIVATION  
26 FACILITY, A MARIJUANA TESTING FACILITY, A MARIJUANA PRODUCT  
27 MANUFACTURING FACILITY, OR A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE.

28 (j) "MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY" MEANS AN ENTITY  
29 LICENSED TO PURCHASE MARIJUANA; MANUFACTURE, PREPARE, AND PACKAGE  
30 MARIJUANA PRODUCTS; AND SELL MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS TO  
31 OTHER MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES AND TO RETAIL  
32 MARIJUANA STORES, BUT NOT TO CONSUMERS.

33 (k) "MARIJUANA PRODUCTS" MEANS CONCENTRATED MARIJUANA  
34 PRODUCTS AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS THAT ARE COMPRISED OF MARIJUANA AND

1 OTHER INGREDIENTS AND ARE INTENDED FOR USE OR CONSUMPTION, SUCH AS, BUT  
2 NOT LIMITED TO, EDIBLE PRODUCTS, OINTMENTS, AND TINCTURES.

3 (l) "MARIJUANA TESTING FACILITY" MEANS AN ENTITY LICENSED TO  
4 ANALYZE AND CERTIFY THE SAFETY AND POTENCY OF MARIJUANA.

5 (m) "MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTER" MEANS AN ENTITY LICENSED BY A  
6 STATE AGENCY TO SELL MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS PURSUANT TO  
7 SECTION 14 OF THIS ARTICLE AND THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE.

8 (n) "RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE" MEANS AN ENTITY LICENSED TO  
9 PURCHASE MARIJUANA FROM MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITIES AND  
10 MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS FROM MARIJUANA PRODUCT  
11 MANUFACTURING FACILITIES AND TO SELL MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS  
12 TO CONSUMERS.

13 (o) "UNREASONABLY IMPRACTICABLE" MEANS THAT THE MEASURES  
14 NECESSARY TO COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS REQUIRE SUCH A HIGH  
15 INVESTMENT OF RISK, MONEY, TIME, OR ANY OTHER RESOURCE OR ASSET THAT THE  
16 OPERATION OF A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT IS NOT WORTHY OF BEING CARRIED  
17 OUT IN PRACTICE BY A REASONABLY PRUDENT BUSINESSPERSON.

18 **(3) Personal use of marijuana.** NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF  
19 LAW, THE FOLLOWING ACTS ARE NOT UNLAWFUL AND SHALL NOT BE AN OFFENSE  
20 UNDER COLORADO LAW OR THE LAW OF ANY LOCALITY WITHIN COLORADO OR BE  
21 A BASIS FOR SEIZURE OR FORFEITURE OF ASSETS UNDER COLORADO LAW FOR  
22 PERSONS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER:

23 (a) POSSESSING, USING, DISPLAYING, PURCHASING, OR TRANSPORTING  
24 MARIJUANA ACCESSORIES OR ONE OUNCE OR LESS OF MARIJUANA.

25 (b) POSSESSING, GROWING, PROCESSING, OR TRANSPORTING NO MORE  
26 THAN SIX MARIJUANA PLANTS, WITH THREE OR FEWER BEING MATURE, FLOWERING  
27 PLANTS, AND POSSESSION OF THE MARIJUANA PRODUCED BY THE PLANTS ON THE  
28 PREMISES WHERE THE PLANTS WERE GROWN, PROVIDED THAT THE GROWING TAKES  
29 PLACE IN AN ENCLOSED, LOCKED SPACE, IS NOT CONDUCTED OPENLY OR PUBLICLY,  
30 AND IS NOT MADE AVAILABLE FOR SALE.

31 (c) TRANSFER OF ONE OUNCE OR LESS OF MARIJUANA WITHOUT  
32 REMUNERATION TO A PERSON WHO IS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

1 (d) CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA, PROVIDED THAT NOTHING IN THIS  
2 SECTION SHALL PERMIT CONSUMPTION THAT IS CONDUCTED OPENLY AND PUBLICLY  
3 OR IN A MANNER THAT ENDANGERS OTHERS.

4 (e) ASSISTING ANOTHER PERSON WHO IS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR  
5 OLDER IN ANY OF THE ACTS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPHS (a) THROUGH (d) OF THIS  
6 SUBSECTION.

7 **(4) Lawful operation of marijuana-related facilities.** NOTWITHSTANDING ANY  
8 OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE FOLLOWING ACTS ARE NOT UNLAWFUL AND SHALL  
9 NOT BE AN OFFENSE UNDER COLORADO LAW OR BE A BASIS FOR SEIZURE OR  
10 FORFEITURE OF ASSETS UNDER COLORADO LAW FOR PERSONS TWENTY-ONE YEARS  
11 OF AGE OR OLDER:

12 (a) MANUFACTURE, POSSESSION, OR PURCHASE OF MARIJUANA  
13 ACCESSORIES OR THE SALE OF MARIJUANA ACCESSORIES TO A PERSON WHO IS  
14 TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

15 (b) POSSESSING, DISPLAYING, OR TRANSPORTING MARIJUANA OR  
16 MARIJUANA PRODUCTS; PURCHASE OF MARIJUANA FROM A MARIJUANA  
17 CULTIVATION FACILITY; PURCHASE OF MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS FROM  
18 A MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY; OR SALE OF MARIJUANA OR  
19 MARIJUANA PRODUCTS TO CONSUMERS, IF THE PERSON CONDUCTING THE  
20 ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH HAS OBTAINED A CURRENT, VALID  
21 LICENSE TO OPERATE A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE OR IS ACTING IN HIS OR HER  
22 CAPACITY AS AN OWNER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF A LICENSED RETAIL MARIJUANA  
23 STORE.

24 (c) CULTIVATING, HARVESTING, PROCESSING, PACKAGING, TRANSPORTING,  
25 DISPLAYING, OR POSSESSING MARIJUANA; DELIVERY OR TRANSFER OF MARIJUANA  
26 TO A MARIJUANA TESTING FACILITY; SELLING MARIJUANA TO A MARIJUANA  
27 CULTIVATION FACILITY, A MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY, OR  
28 A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE; OR THE PURCHASE OF MARIJUANA FROM A  
29 MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY, IF THE PERSON CONDUCTING THE ACTIVITIES  
30 DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH HAS OBTAINED A CURRENT, VAILD LICENSE TO  
31 OPERATE A MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY OR IS ACTING IN HIS OR HER  
32 CAPACITY AS AN OWNER, EMPLOYEE, OR AGENT OF A LICENSED MARIJUANA  
33 CULTIVATION FACILITY.

34 (d) PACKAGING, PROCESSING, TRANSPORTING, MANUFACTURING,  
35 DISPLAYING, OR POSSESSING MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS; DELIVERY OR

1 TRANSFER OF MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS TO A MARIJUANA TESTING  
2 FACILITY; SELLING MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS TO A RETAIL MARIJUANA  
3 STORE OR A MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY; THE PURCHASE OF  
4 MARIJUANA FROM A MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY; OR THE PURCHASE OF  
5 MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS FROM A MARIJUANA PRODUCT  
6 MANUFACTURING FACILITY, IF THE PERSON CONDUCTING THE ACTIVITIES  
7 DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH HAS OBTAINED A CURRENT, VALID LICENSE TO  
8 OPERATE A MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY OR IS ACTING IN HIS  
9 OR HER CAPACITY AS AN OWNER, EMPLOYEE, OR AGENT OF A LICENSED MARIJUANA  
10 PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY.

11 (e) POSSESSING, CULTIVATING, PROCESSING, REPACKAGING, STORING,  
12 TRANSPORTING, DISPLAYING, TRANSFERRING OR DELIVERING MARIJUANA OR  
13 MARIJUANA PRODUCTS IF THE PERSON HAS OBTAINED A CURRENT, VALID LICENSE  
14 TO OPERATE A MARIJUANA TESTING FACILITY OR IS ACTING IN HIS OR HER  
15 CAPACITY AS AN OWNER, EMPLOYEE, OR AGENT OF A LICENSED MARIJUANA  
16 TESTING FACILITY.

17 (f) LEASING OR OTHERWISE ALLOWING THE USE OF PROPERTY OWNED,  
18 OCCUPIED OR CONTROLLED BY ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY FOR  
19 ANY OF THE ACTIVITES CONDUCTED LAWFULLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
20 PARAGRAPHS (a) THROUGH (e) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

21 **(5) Regulation of marijuana.**

22 (a) NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 2013, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT  
23 REGULATIONS NECESSARY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION. SUCH  
24 REGULATIONS SHALL NOT PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF MARIJUANA  
25 ESTABLISHMENTS, EITHER EXPRESSLY OR THROUGH REGULATIONS THAT MAKE  
26 THEIR OPERATION UNREASONABLY IMPRACTICABLE. SUCH REGULATIONS SHALL  
27 INCLUDE:

28 (I) PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE, RENEWAL, SUSPENSION, AND  
29 REVOCATION OF A LICENSE TO OPERATE A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT, WITH  
30 SUCH PROCEDURES SUBJECT TO ALL REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 24 OF  
31 THE COLORADO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT OR ANY SUCCESSOR  
32 PROVISION;

33 (II) A SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION, LICENSING AND RENEWAL FEES,  
34 PROVIDED, APPLICATION FEES SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS, WITH  
35 THIS UPPER LIMIT ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION, UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT

1 DETERMINES A GREATER FEE IS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES  
2 UNDER THIS SECTION, AND PROVIDED FURTHER, AN ENTITY THAT IS LICENSED  
3 UNDER THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE TO CULTIVATE OR SELL  
4 MARIJUANA OR TO MANUFACTURE MARIJUANA PRODUCTS AT THE TIME THIS  
5 SECTION TAKES EFFECT AND THAT CHOOSES TO APPLY FOR A SEPARATE  
6 MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY AN  
7 APPLICATION FEE GREATER THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO APPLY FOR A  
8 LICENSE TO OPERATE A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
9 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION;

10 (III) QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE THAT ARE DIRECTLY AND  
11 DEMONSTRABLY RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT;

12 (IV) SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS;

13 (V) REQUIREMENTS TO PREVENT THE SALE OR DIVERSION OF MARIJUANA  
14 AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE;

15 (VI) LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA  
16 PRODUCTS SOLD OR DISTRIBUTED BY A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT;

17 (VII) HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS FOR THE  
18 MANUFACTURE OF MARIJUANA PRODUCTS AND THE CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA;

19 (VIII) RESTRICTIONS ON THE ADVERTISING AND DISPLAY OF MARIJUANA  
20 AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS; AND

21 (IX) CIVIL PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH REGULATIONS  
22 MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

23 (b) IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE MOST SECURE, RELIABLE, AND ACCOUNTABLE  
24 SYSTEM FOR THE PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA  
25 PRODUCTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION, IN ANY COMPETITIVE  
26 APPLICATION PROCESS THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE AS A PRIMARY  
27 CONSIDERATION WHETHER AN APPLICANT:

28 (I) HAS PRIOR EXPERIENCE PRODUCING OR DISTRIBUTING MARIJUANA OR  
29 MARIJUANA PRODUCTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 14 OF THIS ARTICLE AND THE  
30 COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE IN THE LOCALITY IN WHICH THE  
31 APPLICANT SEEKS TO OPERATE A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT; AND

1 (II) HAS, DURING THE EXPERIENCE DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I),  
2 COMPLIED CONSISTANTLY WITH SECTION 14 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE PROVISIONS OF  
3 THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE AND CONFORMING REGULATIONS.

4 (c) IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY IS PROTECTED,  
5 NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (a), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT REQUIRE A  
6 CONSUMER TO PROVIDE A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE WITH PERSONAL  
7 INFORMATION OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT-ISSUED IDENTIFICATION TO DETERMINE  
8 THE CONSUMER'S AGE, AND A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED  
9 TO ACQUIRE AND RECORD PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT CONSUMERS OTHER  
10 THAN INFORMATION TYPICALLY ACQUIRED IN A FINANCIAL TRANSACTION  
11 CONDUCTED AT A RETAIL LIQUOR STORE.

12 (d) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL ENACT AN EXCISE TAX TO BE LEVIED  
13 UPON MARIJUANA SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED BY A MARIJUANA  
14 CULTIVATION FACILITY TO A MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITY OR  
15 TO A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN PERCENT  
16 PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2017 AND AT A RATE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY THEREAFTER, AND SHALL DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH  
18 PROCEDURES FOR THE COLLECTION OF ALL TAXES LEVIED. PROVIDED, THE FIRST  
19 FORTY MILLION DOLLARS IN REVENUE RAISED ANNUALLY FROM ANY SUCH EXCISE  
20 TAX SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION  
21 ASSISTANCE FUND CREATED BY ARTICLE 43.7 OF TITLE 22, C.R.S., OR ANY  
22 SUCCESSOR FUND DEDICATED TO A SIMILAR PURPOSE. PROVIDED FURTHER, NO  
23 SUCH EXCISE TAX SHALL BE LEVIED UPON MARIJUANA INTENDED FOR SALE AT  
24 MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 14 OF THIS ARTICLE AND  
25 THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE.

26 (e) NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 1, 2013, EACH LOCALITY SHALL ENACT AN  
27 ORDINANCE OR REGULATION SPECIFYING THE ENTITY WITHIN THE LOCALITY THAT  
28 IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROCESSING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR A LICENSE TO  
29 OPERATE A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE  
30 LOCALITY AND FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSES SHOULD THE ISSUANCE BY  
31 THE LOCALITY BECOME NECESSARY BECAUSE OF A FAILURE BY THE DEPARTMENT  
32 TO ADOPT REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OR BECAUSE OF A FAILURE  
33 BY THE DEPARTMENT TO PROCESS AND ISSUE LICENSES AS REQUIRED BY  
34 PARAGRAPH (g).

35 (f) A LOCALITY MAY ENACT ORDINANCES OR REGULATIONS, NOT IN  
36 CONFLICT WITH THIS SECTION OR WITH REGULATIONS OR LEGISLATION ENACTED  
37 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, GOVERNING THE TIME, PLACE, MANNER AND NUMBER



1 OF MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT OPERATIONS; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE  
2 ISSUANCE, SUSPENSION, AND REVOCATION OF A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE LOCALITY  
3 IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (h) OR (i), SUCH PROCEDURES TO BE SUBJECT  
4 TO ALL REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 24 OF THE COLORADO  
5 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT OR ANY SUCCESSOR PROVISION; ESTABLISHING  
6 A SCHEDULE OF ANNUAL OPERATING, LICENSING, AND APPLICATION FEES FOR  
7 MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS, PROVIDED, THE APPLICATION FEE SHALL ONLY BE  
8 DUE IF AN APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED TO A LOCALITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
9 PARAGRAPH (i) AND A LICENSING FEE SHALL ONLY BE DUE IF A LICENSE IS ISSUED  
10 BY A LOCALITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (h) OR (i); AND ESTABLISHING  
11 CIVIL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF AN ORDINANCE OR REGULATION GOVERNING  
12 THE TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER OF A MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT THAT MAY  
13 OPERATE IN SUCH LOCALITY. A LOCALITY MAY PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF  
14 MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITIES, MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURING  
15 FACILITIES, MARIJUANA TESTING FACILITIES, OR RETAIL MARIJUANA STORES  
16 THROUGH THE ENACTMENT OF AN ORDINANCE OR THROUGH AN INITIATED OR  
17 REFERRED MEASURE; PROVIDED, ANY INITIATED OR REFERRED MEASURE TO  
18 PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITIES, MARIJUANA  
19 PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES, MARIJUANA TESTING FACILITIES, OR  
20 RETAIL MARIJUANA STORES MUST APPEAR ON A GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT  
21 DURING AN EVEN NUMBERED YEAR.

22 (g) EACH APPLICATION FOR AN ANNUAL LICENSE TO OPERATE A  
23 MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE  
24 DEPARTMENT SHALL:

25 (I) BEGIN ACCEPTING AND PROCESSING APPLICATIONS ON OCTOBER 1, 2013;

26 (II) IMMEDIATELY FORWARD A COPY OF EACH APPLICATION AND HALF OF  
27 THE LICENSE APPLICATION FEE TO THE LOCALITY IN WHICH THE APPLICANT DESIRES  
28 TO OPERATE THE MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT;

29 (III) ISSUE AN ANNUAL LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT BETWEEN FORTY-FIVE  
30 AND NINETY DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT  
31 FINDS THE APPLICANT IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS ENACTED  
32 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OR THE DEPARTMENT IS NOTIFIED BY THE RELEVANT  
33 LOCALITY THAT THE APPLICANT IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ORDINANCES AND  
34 REGULATIONS MADE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (f) AND IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF  
35 APPLICATION, PROVIDED, WHERE A LOCALITY HAS ENACTED A NUMERICAL LIMIT  
36 ON THE NUMBER OF MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS AND A GREATER NUMBER OF  
37 APPLICANTS SEEK LICENSES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SOLICIT AND CONSIDER

1 INPUT FROM THE LOCALITY AS TO THE LOCALITY'S PREFERENCE OR PREFERENCES  
2 FOR LICENSURE; AND

3 (IV) UPON DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION, NOTIFY THE APPLICANT IN WRITING  
4 OF THE SPECIFIC REASON FOR ITS DENIAL.

5 (h) IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ISSUE A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT  
6 WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
7 PARAGRAPH (g) AND DOES NOT NOTIFY THE APPLICANT OF THE SPECIFIC REASON  
8 FOR ITS DENIAL, IN WRITING AND WITHIN SUCH TIME PERIOD, OR IF THE  
9 DEPARTMENT HAS ADOPTED REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) AND HAS  
10 ACCEPTED APPLICATIONS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (g) BUT HAS NOT ISSUED ANY  
11 LICENSES BY JANUARY 1, 2014, THE APPLICANT MAY RESUBMIT ITS APPLICATION  
12 DIRECTLY TO THE LOCALITY, PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (e), AND THE LOCALITY  
13 MAY ISSUE AN ANNUAL LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT. A LOCALITY ISSUING A  
14 LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT SHALL DO SO WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE  
15 RESUBMITTED APPLICATION UNLESS THE LOCALITY FINDS AND NOTIFIES THE  
16 APPLICANT THAT THE APPLICANT IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ORDINANCES AND  
17 REGULATIONS MADE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (f) IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE  
18 APPLICATION IS RESUBMITTED AND THE LOCALITY SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT  
19 IF AN ANNUAL LICENSE HAS BEEN ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT. IF AN APPLICATION  
20 IS SUBMITTED TO A LOCALITY UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
21 FORWARD TO THE LOCALITY THE APPLICATION FEE PAID BY THE APPLICANT TO THE  
22 DEPARTMENT UPON REQUEST BY THE LOCALITY. A LICENSE ISSUED BY A LOCALITY  
23 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL HAVE THE SAME FORCE AND EFFECT  
24 AS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (g)  
25 AND THE HOLDER OF SUCH LICENSE SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO REGULATION OR  
26 ENFORCEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING THE TERM OF THAT LICENSE.  
27 A SUBSEQUENT OR RENEWED LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH ON  
28 AN ANNUAL BASIS ONLY UPON RESUBMISSION TO THE LOCALITY OF A NEW  
29 APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (g).  
30 NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL LIMIT SUCH RELIEF AS MAY BE AVAILABLE TO  
31 AN AGGRIEVED PARTY UNDER SECTION 24-4-104, C.R.S., OF THE COLORADO  
32 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT OR ANY SUCCESSOR PROVISION.

33 (i) IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ADOPT REGULATIONS REQUIRED BY  
34 PARAGRAPH (a), AN APPLICANT MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO A  
35 LOCALITY AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2013 AND THE LOCALITY MAY ISSUE AN ANNUAL  
36 LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT. A LOCALITY ISSUING A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT  
37 SHALL DO SO WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION UNLESS IT  
38 FINDS AND NOTIFIES THE APPLICANT THAT THE APPLICANT IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE

1 WITH ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS MADE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (f) IN  
2 EFFECT AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION AND SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT IF AN  
3 ANNUAL LICENSE HAS BEEN ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT. A LICENSE ISSUED BY A  
4 LOCALITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL HAVE THE SAME FORCE  
5 AND EFFECT AS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
6 PARAGRAPH (g) AND THE HOLDER OF SUCH LICENSE SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO  
7 REGULATION OR ENFORCEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING THE TERM OF THAT  
8 LICENSE. A SUBSEQUENT OR RENEWED LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED UNDER THIS  
9 PARAGRAPH ON AN ANNUAL BASIS IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT ADOPTED  
10 REGULATIONS REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (a) AT LEAST NINETY DAYS PRIOR TO THE  
11 DATE UPON WHICH SUCH SUBSEQUENT OR RENEWED LICENSE WOULD BE EFFECTIVE  
12 OR IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS ADOPTED REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH  
13 (a) BUT HAS NOT, AT LEAST NINETY DAYS AFTER THE ADOPTION OF SUCH  
14 REGULATIONS, ISSUED LICENSES PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (g).

15 (j) NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, 2014, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL ENACT  
16 LEGISLATION GOVERNING THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING AND SALE OF  
17 INDUSTRIAL HEMP.

18 **(6) Employers, driving, minors and control of property.**

19 (a) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION IS INTENDED TO REQUIRE AN EMPLOYER TO  
20 PERMIT OR ACCOMMODATE THE USE, CONSUMPTION, POSSESSION, TRANSFER,  
21 DISPLAY, TRANSPORTATION, SALE OR GROWING OF MARIJUANA IN THE WORKPLACE  
22 OR TO AFFECT THE ABILITY OF EMPLOYERS TO HAVE POLICIES RESTRICTING THE  
23 USE OF MARIJUANA BY EMPLOYEES.

24 (b) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION IS INTENDED TO ALLOW DRIVING UNDER THE  
25 INFLUENCE OF MARIJUANA OR DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED BY MARIJUANA OR TO  
26 SUPERSEDE STATUTORY LAWS RELATED TO DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF  
27 MARIJUANA OR DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED BY MARIJUANA, NOR SHALL THIS SECTION  
28 PREVENT THE STATE FROM ENACTING AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR DRIVING  
29 UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF OR WHILE IMPAIRED BY MARIJUANA.

30 (c) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION IS INTENDED TO PERMIT THE TRANSFER OF  
31 MARIJUANA, WITH OR WITHOUT REMUNERATION, TO A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF  
32 TWENTY-ONE OR TO ALLOW A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE TO  
33 PURCHASE, POSSESS, USE, TRANSPORT, GROW, OR CONSUME MARIJUANA.

34 (d) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL PROHIBIT A PERSON, EMPLOYER,  
35 SCHOOL, HOSPITAL, DETENTION FACILITY, CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER ENTITY

1 WHO OCCUPIES, OWNS OR CONTROLS A PROPERTY FROM PROHIBITING OR  
2 OTHERWISE REGULATING THE POSSESSION, CONSUMPTION, USE, DISPLAY,  
3 TRANSFER, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, TRANSPORTATION, OR GROWING OF MARIJUANA  
4 ON OR IN THAT PROPERTY.

5 **(7) Medical marijuana provisions unaffected.** NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL  
6 BE CONSTRUED:

7 (a) TO LIMIT ANY PRIVILEGES OR RIGHTS OF A MEDICAL MARIJUANA  
8 PATIENT, PRIMARY CAREGIVER, OR LICENSED ENTITY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 14  
9 OF THIS ARTICLE AND THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE;

10 (b) TO PERMIT A MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTER TO DISTRIBUTE MARIJUANA  
11 TO A PERSON WHO IS NOT A MEDICAL MARIJUANA PATIENT;

12 (c) TO PERMIT A MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTER TO PURCHASE MARIJUANA  
13 OR MARIJUANA PRODUCTS IN A MANNER OR FROM A SOURCE NOT AUTHORIZED  
14 UNDER THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE;

15 (d) TO PERMIT ANY MEDICAL MARIJUANA CENTER LICENSED PURSUANT TO  
16 SECTION 14 OF THIS ARTICLE AND THE COLORADO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE TO  
17 OPERATE ON THE SAME PREMISES AS A RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE; OR

18 (e) TO DISCHARGE THE DEPARTMENT, THE COLORADO BOARD OF HEALTH,  
19 OR THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT FROM  
20 THEIR STATUTORY AND CONSTITUTIONAL DUTIES TO REGULATE MEDICAL  
21 MARIJUANA PURSUANT TO SECTION 14 OF THIS ARTICLE AND THE COLORADO  
22 MEDICAL MARIJUANA CODE.

23 **(8) Self-executing, severability, conflicting provisions.** ALL PROVISIONS OF  
24 THIS SECTION ARE SELF-EXECUTING EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED HEREIN, ARE SEVERABLE,  
25 AND, EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE INDICATED IN THE TEXT, SHALL SUPERSEDE  
26 CONFLICTING STATE STATUTORY, LOCAL CHARTER, ORDINANCE, OR RESOLUTION,  
27 AND OTHER STATE AND LOCAL PROVISIONS.

28 **(9) Effective date.** UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION, ALL  
29 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON OFFICIAL  
30 DECLARATION OF THE VOTE HEREON BY PROCLAMATION OF THE GOVERNOR,  
31 PURSUANT TO SECTION 1(4) OF ARTICLE V.