



HUMBOLDT COUNTY GROWERS ALLIANCE

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Humboldt County Board of Supervisors
825 Fifth Street
Eureka, CA 95501

RE: Request to Amend Humboldt County Dispensary Ordinance to be Consistent with State Law

Dear Supervisor Virginia Bass,

On July 19, 2016, the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 2554 Medical Marijuana Land-use Ordinance Title III 313-55.3 Medical Cannabis Dispensaries.

Since then, the state legislature passed the Medical Cannabis Regulation Safety Act and Prop. 64, the Adult-Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), was approved by voters. Subsequently the current state law that governs California cannabis is the Medical and Adult-Use Regulation Safety Act (MAUCRSA).

State regulations from the Bureau of Cannabis Control allow cannabis dispensaries to be open from 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Section 5403. Hours of Operation. "A licensed retailer shall sell and deliver cannabis goods only between the hours of 6:00 AM (pst) and 10:00 PM (pst)." https://bcc.ca.gov/law_regs/cannabis_order_of_adoption.pdf

Humboldt County's Dispensary Ordinance only allows dispensaries to remain open from 10 AM to 7 PM. Section 55.3.114 "The hours of operation of medical cannabis dispensaries shall be no earlier than 10 AM and no later than 7 pm."

Given the time that has passed, it seems appropriate to update Humboldt County's Dispensary Ordinance to be consistent with state law.

On behalf of HCGA's members, we ask you to bring this question forward as an agenda item for public consideration. We are available to answer any questions you may have.

With kind regards,

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Operations Director