

# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO. C-1

For the meeting of: March 21, 2017

Date:

March 16, 2017

To:

Board of Supervisors

From:

Supervisor Rex Bohn

Subject:

AB 1410 (Wood and Co-author McGuire): Cannabis Cultivation Tax Collection Letter of

Support

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

DISCUSSION: Beginning January 1, 2018, all licensed cultivators in California are required to remit tax on their harvested cannabis. The licensed cultivator is required to remit the cultivation tax obligation to the California Board of Equalization (BOE) after marijuana is harvested.

AB 1410 provides an option for licensed cannabis cultivators to remit the tax obligation on the harvested cannabis through a licensed distributor, licensed under the Medical Cannabis Regulation Safety Act or licensed under the Adult Use of Marijuana Act, after the product completes the quality assurance. inspection and testing of that product. By allowing a cultivator to remit their tax obligation through a distributor, the bill allows for maximum flexibility to the cultivator.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Letter of Support.

Prepared by	Kathy Hayes		_	Signature
REVIEW:				
Auditor	County Counsel	Personnel		Risk Manager Other
TYPE OF ITEM:				BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
XX Consent				Upon motion of Supervisor Bohn Seconded by Supervisor Sundberg Ayes Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Bohn, Wilson
Departmental				/ / T    P. P.
Public Hearing				Ayes Sundberg, tennell, Dass, Bohn, Wilson
Other	S			110,0
PREVIOUS ACT	TION/REFERRAL:			Abstain
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Board Order No	0			
Meeting of:			and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.	
			1	Dated: Mar 21, 2017
			1	By: Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board



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Assemblymember Jim Wood State Capitol, Room 6005 Sacramento, CA 95814 Senator Mike McGuire State Capitol, Room 5061 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE:

AB 1410 (Wood & principal co-author McGuire)
Cannabis Cultivation Tax Collection – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Wood and Senator McGuire:

I am writing on behalf of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors to indicate our strong support for AB 1410 which would provide much needed clarity and flexibility with regard to the imposition of a tax payment at the time of harvest.

AB 1410 would allow a licensed cannabis cultivator to remit the tax obligation on the harvested product through a licensed distributor after the product completes the quality assurance, inspection and testing of that product. By allowing a cultivator to remit their tax obligation through a distributor, the bill would require a licensed distributor to file the tax return and remit the tax payment on behalf of the licensed cultivator.

AB 1410's provisions are optional. If enacted, a cultivator – and any partnering distributor – can choose to remit their tax obligations to the Board of Equalization (BOE) through the distributor. The bill provides for maximum flexibility to the cultivator. If a cultivator chose to remit their tax cultivation obligations directly to the BOE, the cultivator could do so. AB 1410 provides for a second option – giving cultivators the ability to allowing a licensed distributor to remit those tax obligations on their behalf.

We thank the author and principal co-author for their leadership of this important bill and encourage your support for assisting California's cultivators with transitioning into a fully regulated marketplace.

Sincerely,

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