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JOINT COMMITTEE ON CANNABIS POLICY

July 2, 2024 Office of the Inspector General McCormack Building, 1 Ashburton Place #1311 Boston, MA 02108

Dear Inspector General Shapiro,

The House Members of the Committee on Cannabis Policy are in receipt of your June 18 letter regarding the challenges and structural difficulties at the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC). The Committee has reviewed your letter and recommendations and would appreciate an opportunity to discuss its content with you and your staff.

Therefore, I would like to invite you to an informational hearing on July 9, at 11am in hearing room A-2 of the Massachusetts State House. The hearing will include time for you to speak to the letter and investigation, followed by questions from committee members. To note: We will refrain from discussing any ongoing personnel or legal matters.

I believe this hearing would be a valuable opportunity to better understand how your investigation was conducted, what findings it produced, and the basis for the recommendations it provided to the legislature. We are particularly interested in the difficulties the CCC has experienced with its organizational structure, clarity around the enabling statute and the implementation of day-to-day operations.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and who from your staff may be joining you to testify.

Best,

Chairman Daniel M. Donahue Joint Committee on Cannabis Policy