

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to discontinuing the issuance of Business Tax Registration Certificates (BTRC) to medical marijuana dispensaries not in compliance with Proposition D.

Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated January 8, 2016, amending Subsection (b) of Section 21.50 of Article 1, Chapter II of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to limit taxation of medical marijuana collectives to those that attest to compliance with Proposition D; adding Subsection (g) to Section 21.50 to require medical marijuana collectives to attest to compliance with Proposition D when submitting their annual renewals; and adding Subsection (h) to Section 21.50 to make posting an invalid BTRC a misdemeanor and to similarly prohibit any medical marijuana collective from displaying a BTRC of a different classification.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For: West Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

(URGENCY CLAUSE - 12 VOTES REQUIRED)

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on January 11, 2016, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a report from the City Attorney and Ordinance dated December 14, 2015, and a revised report and Ordinance dated January 8, 2016, relative to discontinuing the issuance of BTRCs to medical marijuana dispensaries not in compliance with Proposition D; and amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code to require medical marijuana dispensaries to attest compliance with Proposition D when submitting annual renewals, make posting an invalid BTRC a misdemeanor, and prohibit an medical marijuana dispensary from displaying a BTRC of a different classification.

Representatives of the City Attorney addressed the Committee and provided an overview of the City Attorney's report and the revised draft Ordinance. A representative from the Office of Finance also appeared before the Committee to discuss the matter.

After consideration, and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee recommended that Council adopt the revised Ordinance dated January 8, 2016. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KREKORIAN:	YES
ENGLANDER:	ABSENT
KORETZ:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT

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