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REPORT RE:

**DRAFT ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE 6.4
TO THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO RESTRICT
THE SALE OF BUTANE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 16-0212

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to the request of your Honorable Body, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality, to restrict the sale of butane in the City of Los Angeles. Specifically, the draft ordinance would add Article 6.4 to the Los Angeles Municipal Code to restrict the sale of "refined butane," which is the type of butane commonly used to make Butane Honey Oil (BHO), a potent form of concentrated cannabis.

The draft ordinance would require an individual to present identification when purchasing refined butane, limit the amount of refined butane that an individual may purchase at retail, and require vendors to store refined butane in a manner to make it inaccessible to customers pending legal sale or disposition. In addition, the draft ordinance would require vendors to record specified information in connection with each sale of refined butane and impose related requirements.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Police Department with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to your Honorable Body at the time this matter is considered.

If you have any questions, please contact Deputy City Attorney Heather Aubry at (213) 978-8393. She or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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