Jedical Cannabis

Green Leaf Medical (aka gLeaf) holds a Cultivation License, a Processing License and two dispensary licenses in Maryland. We recognized early on that cannabis delivery is critically important in order for sick patients to have full access to medical cannabis. Delivery of medical cannabis also provides access to patients who live in rural areas where there is not a brick and mortar dispensary nearby.

For the past 3 years Green Leaf has invested hundreds of thousands of dollars, and spent countless hours building a robust, COMAR compliant, medical cannabis delivery service that operates throughout nearly the entire State of Maryland. gLeaf purchased 10 vehicles for its delivery operations, and for each vehicle, gLeaf spent an additional \$2,000-\$3,000 per vehicle on modifications to bring each vehicle into compliance with COMAR regulations that require a lock box attached to the vehicle for storage of cannabis and a separation between the driver and the part of the vehicle containing the cannabis. The Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission Enforcement Division inspects and approves each vehicle before the vehicles are put into operation to make deliveries. We do not charge patients a delivery fee, and are proud that hundreds of patients throughout Maryland rely on gLeaf's free cannabis delivery service on a regular basis. Many of the patients that we deliver to live in rural areas, and without our delivery service, would not have consistent and affordable access to medical cannabis. Many of our delivery patients are also the sickest of cannabis patients and they physically cannot drive to a brick and mortar dispensary. Delivery sales make up 25%-30% of Green Leaf's total sales. We note that we have 10 full time delivery drivers and 7 of the 10 are women or minorities.

HB 556 restricts cannabis delivery to those new applicants who win a Micro Dispensary License. In other words, the proposed bill will take away Green Leaf's delivery operations that it has spent the last 5 years investing in, building and perfecting. Legally, this may be considered an improper government taking. We relied on the current law and existing COMAR regulations to build out our delivery operations, and believe that we should be permitted to continue to deliver cannabis to patients in the medical and adult use market. We request that language be added to the bill that explicitly permits current operators such as gLeaf who are providing delivery services to medical cannabis patients to continue to do so in the post July 1 medical and adult use markets.

I am happy to answer any questions Legislators may have on this issue and can be reached at 301-343-5817 or Kevin@gleaf.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

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