

Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

October 18, 2023

The Joint Committee on Administrative Rules met in hearing room 117 to hear testimony regarding the Department of Health and Senior Services, Division of Cannabis Regulation rules in 19 CSR 100 and the departmental guidance issued regarding those rules, and waivers and variances issued by the Division.

Chairman, Senator Nick Schroer called the meeting to order. Director, Sarah Schappe called the roll. The following members were present:

Senators

Nick Schroer
Holly Rehder
John Rizzo
Barbara Washington
Curtis Trent

Representatives

Ben Baker
Peter Merideth
Alex Riley

Staff

Sarah Schappe

Ben Terrell of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, and Amy Moore, Director of the Division of Cannabis Regulation of the Department of Health and Senior Services testified regarding the Department's implementation of the rules in 19 CSR 100 and the guidelines, waivers, and variances issued by the Department.

Christopher McHugh with Vertical Enterprise LLC, is a licensee of the Department and testified regarding his experience with the rules, guidelines, waivers and variances.

Eric Walters, represents several cannabis licensees. He testified regarding his client's experience with the Department's rules, guidelines, waivers and variances.

Senator Schroer moved to have the Director of JCAR, Sarah Schappe, draft a report for approval by the Committee stating their findings that it is of the opinion of the Committee to the extent that the Department has issues guidelines, waivers and variances, that are statements of general applicability without engaging in the rulemaking process, that those guidelines have no legal effect as discussed today.

Representative Alex Riley seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken and there was no longer a quorum present.

Senator Schroer moved to adjourn.

Representative Riley seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned.