

Mike DeWine, Governor Jon Husted, Lt. Governor Sherry Maxfield, Director

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Cannabis Control, will conduct a public hearing regarding proposed rules on April 23, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. at the Riffe Center, 77 South High Street, 19th Floor, Room 1932, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

The DCC proposes the following rules:

- NEW 3796:5-2-04 Provisional Employee Identification Cards
- RESCIND 3796:7-3-01 Medical Marijuana Patient and Caregiver Fee Structure
- AMEND 3796:5-1-01 Fee Schedules

The purpose of the new rules is to implement a medical marijuana provisional employee badge to streamline and expedite the hiring and onboarding process for medical marijuana industry employees, to eliminate the patient and caregiver registration fee, and to reduce the medical marijuana processor license renewal fee.

The proposed rules may be accessed on the Register of Ohio (<u>www.registerofohio.state.oh.us</u>) or on the DCC website (<u>www.com.ohio.gov/cannabiscontrol</u>). The full text of the proposed rules is also available at the office of the Division of Cannabis Control in printed form.

At the public hearing, any person affected by the proposed actions may appear and be heard in person, by the person's attorney, or both, may present the person's position, arguments, or contentions, orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the proposed rule or amendments, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

Any person who wishes to present his or her position, arguments or contentions in writing may do so by electronic mail to <u>DCCRules@com.ohio.gov</u> or to Ohio Division of Cannabis Control, 77 South High Street, 20th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215. Written comments may also be submitted at the hearing. All written comments must be submitted to the Division no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 23, 2024. Written comments submitted after this date may be considered as time and circumstances permit.