Louisiana Legislature Cannabis Policy Votes and Hearings: Schedule for April 27-28, 2022

See below for hearings and floor debates on cannabis policy reform bills that are expected the week of April 27. The schedule is subject to change. You can find more information about the bills **here**.

Wednesday, April 27

1. Administration of Criminal Justice Committee Hearings: 9:00 a.m., Room 6

- a. **HB 676** Habitual offender statute reform bill regarding cannabis possession
- b. **HB** 774 Expungement for minor cannabis possession
- c. $\underline{\mathbf{HB~775}}$ Decriminalization of cannabis paraphernalia for medical use
- d. **HB 1028** Decriminalization of cannabis paraphernalia
- e. You can email your statements to **h-acj@legis.la.gov**. Be sure to identify which bill(s) you are writing in favor of.

2. Health and Welfare Committee Hearings: 9:00 a.m., Room 5

- a. **HB 566** Removes caps on cultivation licenses for medical cannabis
- b. HB 767 Would add two new cultivator licenses in 2023 and two in 2024 for medical cannabis
- c. You can email your statements to h-hw@legis.la.gov. Be sure to identify which bill(s) you are writing in favor of.

3. House floor

Debate and possible vote on some or all of the medical bills that advanced out of committee on April 19 (HB 135, HB 137, HB 190, and HB 425).

Thursday, April 28

1. Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture and Rural Development Committee Hearings: 9:30 a.m., Room 3

- a. ${\color{red}{\mathbf{HB}}}$ 553 Criminal record searches for employees in the medical cannabis industry would be done via La. State Police rather than the FBI
- b. You can email your statements to **h-agri@legis.la.gov**. Be sure to identify which bill(s) you are

writing in favor of.

2. Labor and Industry Relations Committee Hearings: 10:00 a.m., Room 5

a. **HB 988** — Protections for public employees who are part of medical cannabis program b. You can email your statements to **h-lir@legis.la.gov**. Be sure to identify which bill(s) you are writing in favor of.

3. Judiciary Committee Hearings: 9:00 a.m., Room 1

- a. $\underline{\mathbf{HB}\ \mathbf{125}}$ Legalization
- b. **HB 430** Legalization
- c. You can email your statements to **h-jud@legis.la.gov**. Be sure to identify which bill(s) you are writing in favor of.

4. House floor

Debate and possible vote on HB 697, HB 698, and HB 768, which passed committee on 4/19.