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	lawmakers

Rep. Mastraccio

Sen. Hickman

I am emailing today requesting that the Government Oversight Committee investigate the behavior of Anya Trundy who is the Chief of Legislative and Strategic Operations for the Department of Administrative and Financial Services during last Wednesday's Veterans and Legal Affairs meeting (1/15/2025)

At an agency briefing for the Office of Cannabis Policy, I noticed missing annual reports from 2023 and inquired about it. Ms. Trundy said they were planning to upload the 2023 report when 2024 report is due in a few weeks. I asked what caused the delay and Ms. Trundy responded that she didn't want to release the report in the middle of tense legislative negotiations and decided to not release the required reports (adult-use and medical.) The statutory language for the report can be found here: <u>https://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/28-B/title28-Bsec113.html</u>

I am deeply troubled that a public employee decided to withhold critical policy information that is required by law from the committee of jurisdiction. I would like the committee to investigate this matter, including if Commissioner Figueroa knew that this report was being held illegally. It has been nearly a year, and we still don't have these required reports.

Thank you for your attention on this important matter.

Sincerely, Rep. David Boyer House lead, Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee

§113. Report to Legislature

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1. Report required. By February 15, 2025, and annually thereafter, the office shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over adult use cannabis matters as provided in this section.

[PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §19 (AMD).]

2. Report contents. The report required under subsection 1 must, at a minimum, include the following information:

A. The number of applications for each type of license submitted to the office pursuant to this chapter during the prior calendar year, including, if applicable, the number of applications for license renewals, and the number of each type of license conditionally approved by the office during the prior calendar year; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

B. The total number of each type of active license issued by the office pursuant to this chapter in the prior calendar year following local authorization of a conditionally approved licensee; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

C. The total square footage of plant canopy approved by the office for active cultivation facilities licensed in the prior calendar year, the percentage of active cultivation facility licenses by cultivation tier and, if applicable, the number of approved increases in the maximum plant canopy allowed under a tier 4 cultivation facility license in the prior calendar year pursuant to section 304; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

D. The total amount of application fees and license fees collected pursuant to this chapter and the total amount of the excise and sales tax revenue collected on the sale of adult use cannabis and adult use cannabis products during the prior calendar year; [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]

E. An overview of current adult use cannabis-related staffing at the office and the cost to the office to regulate the adult use cannabis industry in the State during the prior fiscal year and cost projections for the upcoming fiscal year; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

F. The total reported volume and value of adult use cannabis cultivated and sold by all cultivation facilities in the prior calendar year, when available; [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]

G. The total reported volume and value of adult use cannabis and adult use cannabis products sold by all cannabis stores in the prior calendar year, when available; [PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]

H. The number of inspections of the licensed premises of licensees performed by the office during the prior calendar year and the results of those inspections, including, but not limited to, the number of inspections resulting in license violations and the percentage of all licensees inspected during the prior calendar year; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

I. The number of license violations committed by licensees during the prior calendar year and a breakdown of those violations into specific categories based on the type of violation and the outcome of the violation, including, but not limited to, the total amount of monetary penalties imposed and collected by the office and the percentage of total license violations resulting in the imposition of a monetary penalty, license suspension or license revocation; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

J. Public health and safety data collected, received or analyzed by the office pursuant to section 107 in the prior calendar year; [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

K. Recommendations, including any suggested legislation, to address any issues with the regulation of the adult use cannabis industry in the State encountered by the office in the prior calendar year; and [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

L. A detailed account of income and expenditures for the Adult Use Cannabis Regulatory Coordination Fund established in section 1102 and the Adult Use Cannabis Public Health and Safety and Municipal Opt-in Fund established in section 1101. [PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (NEW).]

[PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §20 (AMD).]

3. Authority to report out legislation. After reviewing the report required under subsection 1, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over adult use cannabis matters may report out legislation to implement any recommendations contained in the report or to address any other issues identified in the report.

[PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW); PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 (NEW). PL 2021, c. 669, §5 (REV). PL 2023, c. 679, Pt. B, §§19, 20 (AMD).

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