

TO: The Honorable Members of the PA Senate Law & Justice Committee

FROM: Alex Halper, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs

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RE: **PA Chamber memo: Support S.B. 49 – Cannabis Control Board**

The PA Chamber urges you to support S.B. 49, establishing the Pennsylvania Cannabis Control Board, which we understand the Committee will consider today. This legislation would transfer oversight and regulatory authority over Pennsylvania’s medical marijuana law from the state Department of Health to this new entity.

Years following medical marijuana legalization, employers continue to report significant confusion with the law and a lack of clarity that is complicating their ability to maintain a safe work environment, particularly in safety-sensitive industries. We are hopeful that a new regulatory authority will focus on workplace safety and effectively implement future legislation – for example, we support S.B. 732 to help address existing areas of ambiguity.

While we understand some concerns have been raised with potential new private rights of action in the bill, we support its continued advancement and urge lawmakers to continue working toward an agreement.

Please contact Alex Halper at ahalper@pachamber.org or 717-645-8730 with questions or to discuss.

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