



MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate
Date: September 14, 2020
By: Tyler Larson, Analyst
Re: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

OREGON CANNABIS COMMISSION

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon Cannabis Commission subject to Senate confirmation.¹

Appointees

George Burke of Salem; New Appointment

Term

October 1, 2020 – February 13, 2022

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 475B.952 \(2019\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The commission consists of the Public Health Officer or the Public Health Officer's designee and eight members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.⁴

Gubernatorial appointees must include:

- a registry identification cardholder (TAYLOR);
- a person designated to produce marijuana by a registry identification cardholder (GREY);
- an attending physician (KNOX);
- a person representing the Oregon Health Authority (OURSO);
- a person representing the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (BORUP);
- a local health officer (LEUDTKE);
- a law enforcement officer (**BURKE**); and
- a person knowledgeable about research proposal grant protocols.

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562](#) and [171.565 \(2019\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2019\)](#).

³ [ORS 182.100 \(2019\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2019\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 475B.952 \(2019\)](#).

Members serve four-year terms at the pleasure of the Governor and are eligible for reappointment. The commission must select one of its members as chairperson and another as vice chairperson, for terms and with such duties and powers as the commission determines.⁵ A majority of the members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. The commission must meet at least once every quarter and at other times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or a majority of the members of the commission.

Duties and Authority

The commission advises the Oregon Health Authority on the administration of the Oregon Medical Marijuana Act and the Oregon Liquor Control Commission on the administration of the Adult and Medical Use of Cannabis Act as it relates to registry identification cardholders and primary caregivers.⁶

The commission must:⁷

- provide advice to the Oregon Health Authority with respect to the administration of the Oregon Medical Marijuana Act;
- provide advice to the Oregon Liquor Control Commission with respect to the administration of the Adult and Medical Use of Cannabis Act related to registry identification cardholders and designated primary caregivers;
- develop a long-term strategic plan for ensuring that cannabis will remain an affordable and therapeutic option for persons with debilitating medical conditions; and
- monitor and study federal laws, regulations, and policies regarding marijuana.

⁵ [ORS 475B.955 \(2019\)](#).

⁶ Oregon Health Authority, *Oregon Cannabis Commission*, <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASES/CONDITIONS/CHRONICDISEASE/MEDICALMARIJUANAPROGRAM/Pages/Cannabis-Commission.aspx> (last visited September 14, 2020).

⁷ [ORS 475B.961 \(2019\)](#).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Cannabis Commission, Oregon

Agency: Governor's Office

Authorization: HB 2198

Members: Min: 9 Max: 9

Term Length: 4 years Limit: 2

Senate confirmation required? No

Policy Area: Unknown

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Amanda K Borup

OLCC Representative

Term(s): 12-17-2018 - 11-19-2021

Position Number: 5

George A Burke

Law Enforcemnet

Term(s): 10-01-2020 - 02-13-2022

Position Number: 7

Cedar Grey

Term(s): 05-25-2018 - 05-24-2022

Position Number: 2

Rachel Knox

Attending Physician

Term(s): 11-20-2017 - 11-19-2021

Position Number: 3

Pat Luedtke

Local Health Officer

Term(s): 11-20-2017 - 11-19-2021

Position Number: 6

Andre Ourso

OHA Representative

Term(s): 11-20-2017 - 11-19-2021

Position Number: 4

Anthony Taylor

Registry Identification Cardholder

Term(s): 11-20-2017 - 11-19-2021

Position Number: 1

Vacant Appointments:

Pos	Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
8	Esther K Choo Research and Grant Proposals	Governor	11/20/2017	11/19/2021