

SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY

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(Revised LCB File # here if Appropriate)

1. **A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**
 - The provisions of the proposed regulations specify the criteria the Department will use to create a list of pesticides that are not legally prohibited from use on medical marijuana plants. No comment was solicited from small business because the use of any other pesticides would be a violation of federal or state law. The regulations were available on the website of the Department of Agriculture, www.agri.nv.gov and posted at the following locations:

Department of Agriculture

405 S. 21st Street

Sparks, NV 89431

Department of Agriculture

2300 McLeod Street

Las Vegas, NV 89104

Department of Agriculture

4780 E. Idaho Street

Elko, NV 89801

2. **The manner in which the analyses was conducted.**
 - No analyses was conducted because these regulations do not apply to small businesses.
3. **The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses it is to regulate, including, without limitation:**
 - Does not apply. By state law, the use of any pesticide not included on the list would result in the destruction of the entire crop. The creation of a list minimizes that possibility.
4. **A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.**
 - Does not apply. Inclusion on the list is determined by federal labeling criteria.

5. **The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.**
 - The Department is participating in multiple staff meetings, industry meetings and inter-agency meetings. We have reviewed 75-100 pesticides and must review additional pesticides by request. We estimate our costs will be \$25,000.00 a year.
6. **If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**
 - There are no provisions in SB 305 that reimburse the Department for the costs associated with this program.
7. **If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.**
 - Does not apply.
8. **The reasons for the conclusion of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.**
 - No impact on small businesses. These proposed regulation simply specify the criteria used to determine the pesticides that are not legally prohibited from use on medical marijuana.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of this proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement is accurate.



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