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BILL BRADBURY

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The Office of the Secretary of State received a draft ballot title from the Attorney General on July 9, 2008, for initiative petition #28, proposing a statutory amendment, for the General Election of November 2, 2010.

The draft ballot title is as follows:

**ESTABLISHES MEDICAL MARIJUANA SUPPLY SYSTEM AND
ASSISTANCE AND RESEARCH PROGRAMS; ALLOWS LIMITED SELLING
OF MARIJUANA**

RESULT OF "YES" VOTE: "Yes" vote establishes supply system, low income assistance program for medical marijuana cardholders; establishes research program; grants limited state regulation authority; allows limited marijuana sales.

RESULT OF "NO" VOTE: "No" vote retains current law without: supply or assistance programs for medical marijuana cardholders; or authorization for state organized scientific program; or medical marijuana sales.

SUMMARY: Current law allows specified individuals to become registered growers of medical marijuana by meeting criteria; does not allow marijuana sales or state assistance to cardholders in obtaining marijuana; limits growers to six mature plants and 24 ounces of useable marijuana for each cardholder; limits certain growers to growing for four cardholders; limits growers' reimbursements. Measure creates medical marijuana supply system composed of licensed dispensaries and producers. Establishes licensing guidelines. Producers and dispensaries can possess 24 plants and 96 ounces of marijuana. Allows limited sales (by expanding cost categories currently not reimbursable). Exempts dispensaries, dispensary employees, and producers from most marijuana criminal statutes. Establishes low income cardholders' assistance program. Allows state to conduct or fund research of cardholders' marijuana use. Retains grow registration system. Other provisions.

Chief Petitioner(s): Anthony Johnson, 1827 SE Pine ST, Portland, OR 97214.

Copies of the text of this initiative are available at Room 141, State Capitol for \$1.75. Written requests for copies with your remittance of \$1.75 prepaid, should be addressed to: Elections Division, Room 141 State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310-0722.

There now follows a comment period of 10 business days during which any member of the public may submit written comments which address the specific legal standards a ballot title must meet to the Secretary of State's office. This period ends July 23, 2008. Comments must be addressed to: Elections Division, Room 141 State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310-0722; fax (503) 373-7414.

The Secretary of State will deliver all written comments to the Attorney General. If comments are received, the Attorney General shall issue the certified ballot title not later than the 10th business day after receiving the comments from the Secretary of State. If no comments are received, the Attorney General shall issue the certified ballot title not later than the 10th business day after the deadline for submitting comments.

In addition, during this ballot title comment period, the Secretary of State will also seek statements from interested persons regarding whether or not a proposed initiative petition complies with procedural constitutional requirements for submission of proposed initiative petitions. The Secretary will consider the information provided in the statements received from interested persons. If you wish to comment, this period ends July 23, 2008. Comments must be addressed to: Elections Division, 255 Capitol St NE, Suite 501, Salem, OR 97310; fax (503) 373-7414.

Any elector who is dissatisfied with the ballot title certified by the Attorney General, and who timely submitted written comments which addressed the specific legal standards a ballot title must meet, may petition the Oregon Supreme Court seeking a different title. This appeal must be filed not later than the 10th business day after the Attorney General certifies a ballot title to the Secretary of State.

The required number of signatures for placement on the 2010 general election ballot is 82,769. These signatures shall be filed in this office not later than July 2, 2010.

HARDY MYERS
Attorney General



PETER D. SHEPHERD
Deputy Attorney General

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APPELLATE DIVISION

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BILL BRADBURY
SECRETARY OF THE STATE

John Lindback
Director, Elections Division
Office of the Secretary of State
141 State Capitol
Salem, OR 97310

Re: Proposed Initiative Petition — Establishes Medical Marijuana Supply System And Assistance And Research Programs; Allows Limited Selling Of Marijuana
DOJ File #BT-28-08; Elections Division #28

Dear Mr. Lindback:

We have prepared and hereby provide to you a draft ballot title for the above-referenced prospective initiative petition. The proposed measure relates to establishing a medical marijuana supply system, a low income assistance program, and a research program.

Written comments from the public are due to you within ten business days after your receipt of this draft title. A copy of all written comments provided to you should be forwarded to this office immediately thereafter.

A copy of the draft ballot title is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Misty Kintz
Legal Secretary

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Enclosure

c: Peter Shepherd, Deputy Attorney General
Don Arnold, General Counsel Division
Steve Wolf, General Counsel Division

Anthony Johnson
1827 SE Pine Street
Portland, OR 97214

DRAFT BALLOT TITLE

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