

Nevada Cannabis Advisory Commission – Public Safety Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes September 24, 2021

The Nevada Cannabis Advisory Commission's Subcommittee on Public Safety held a virtual public meeting via Zoom. on September 24, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Public Safety Subcommittee Members Present:

Steve Yeager, Chair

Tom Roberts

Josh Garber

George Togliatti

Shellie Hughes

Chair Yeager called the meeting to order and took roll. Members Togliatti, Garber, Roberts, and Hughes were all present via Zoom

No public comment

Preliminary Comments and Introductions (for discussion only)

Member Shellie Hughes, who was unable to attend the first meeting, gave a brief introduction. Member Hughes is the Executive Director of Taxation and was appointed on August 23rd. She was Chief Deputy Exec Director for over five years. Prior to the CCB, The Department of Taxation was previously responsible for the oversight of medical and adult use cannabis. Director Hughes helped present AB 533 which moved regulatory oversight to the CCB; however, taxation continues to collect taxes on cannabis. Taxation will also continue to include cannabis tax on consumption lounges.

CCB Perspective on the Subcommittee's Work (for discussion only)

Tyler Klimas, Cannabis Compliance Board (CCB) Executive Director joined to thank the committee for their work. He felt what the committee has discussed thus far is what the Board is looking for as far as recommendations. He remarked that what they are voting will not automatically be incorporated into regulations, but simply a recommendation regarding nuanced issues that will go to the Cannabis Advisory Commission and then the CCB. Director Klimas expressed that the Board is looking for security and training requirements as well as overconsumption mitigation, which were discussed in the previous meeting and are also on the agenda for today's meeting. He expressed that he was happy with the direction of the Subcommittee and expressed the importance of having public and stakeholder engagement as they launch the consumption lounges. He also stated that the Board will also hold a workshop to go over the recommendations given to them by the subcommittees. He also invited public comment on these recommendations.

Chair Yeager discusses agenda and supplementary materials that he compiled to help facilitate discussion, which are regulations from other states, primarily Colorado. He also included Emergency License Suspension, which he believes was just a draft regulation. He explains that the City of Las Vegas gave Metro the ability to suspend a license for no more than 10 days for:

- A. Selling of Alcoholic Beverages
- B. Firearm Possession
- C. Employee Consumption
- D. Storage Provision

Chair Yeager introduced Sgt. Tyson Thayer, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department who has served 18 years as an officer and 10 years in narcotics is now a special investigations sergeant He works on privileged and regulated business licenses and

practices. He supports the “no alcohol” and the “City of LV license suspension” proposal. Would like to have the Sheriff or Special Investigations (SI) be able to do an emergency shutdown of a business if the business practices are harmful or unsafe for the patrons and community. They have found that some businesses with privileged licenses are working outside the scope of their licenses, which may lead to violence. When SI conducts an emergency suspension, they compose reports for the City or the County and that gives them the ability to determine how they want to proceed. SI recommends the 10-day suspension. They propose also giving it to the CCB, so they have time to make a decision regarding the business. CCB would also be able to make changes and have oversight over LVPD.

Chair Yeager asked if Metro has the ability to do emergency shutdowns now if there are things that are a severe threat to public safety. Sgt. Thayer responded that Metro has the ability to see if any licensee of any regulated or privileged license in the city and the county – specifically any type of smoking lounges or anywhere with alcohol - are operating outside their license. It they feel that it’s caused or contributed to the violent crime, we have the ability to shut things down. The City and County have different lengths of time in which they have the ability to shut them down. We give them our report and they’re able to immediately follow up.

Chair Yeager asked if the city and the county have their own processes and restrictions, which Sgt. Thayer confirmed that they do. Chair Yeager then inquired about the frequency of these occurrences. Sgt. Thayer responded that it goes in waves, but it’s a monthly occurrence that they’re shutting down the business temporarily. That gives the City/County time to determine what to do. They are regularly going out to businesses and assisting to calls. A majority of them [licensees] are abiding by their licenses. We only do emergency shutdowns when businesses are egregiously violating their licenses.

Detective Garber asked whether they had seen any violent crimes in smoking lounges that they’d shut down year? Sgt. Thayer responded that this year they’ve seen a rise in violence at Hookah lounges. They are addressing those and setting up committees. There have been three homicides in/out of hookah lounges. All had alcohol and extremely poor business practices. One has lost their license and one is under review

Detective Garber asked whether they assist the county or city in helping these businesses get their licenses in order or established these privileged licenses. Sgt Thayer responded that businesses go through a suitability investigation with SI. Metro also reviews financials.

Assemblyman Roberts asked if under the proposed license, is suspending them the same as shutting them down. He believes law enforcement having the ability to shut down is essential and asked if current Las Vegas ordinances were sufficient. Sgt. Thayer responded that they make the determination to suspend, but they can only suspend temporarily. With the County it is eight hours and with the City it is dependent on their next meeting. Depending on the time or type of business, we immediately contact the city or county and they usually do a follow-up right behind us. For example, the county usually comes and suspends them an additional two weeks or a month. That’s why we like the city’s ten days because it would give the CCB time. Assemblyman Roberts added that it’d be up to the regulatory arms to if they want to cut that short or get back in compliance sooner or later and he asked if the current language was useful for law enforcement. Sgt. Thayer added that they’d like the addition off the sheriff or their designee the ability to suspend operations due to a business’s practices creating safety issues or harm to patrons or the community. In the event issues like this arise, they immediately make the city or county aware and get support. The determination to shut a business down is made by multiple officers.

Exec. Director Hughes asked about the length of suspensions and if individuals have any appeal rights to temporary suspensions. Sgt. Thayer responded that the suspension times are determined by county and city codes. Businesses do not have a say on whether they are shut down, but they can file paperwork with the city or county and defend themselves against a long-term suspension or the capacity in which they may reopen. That is why Sgt. Thayer recommends the 10-day suspension to the CCB to allows law enforcement to complete their report and the CCB time to investigate and make a determination to lengthen or shorten their extension. Exec. Director Hughes commented that she likes the partnership but know that CCB has appeal rights in place for license suspension. Sgt. Thayer continued that the law enforcement shutdowns are temporary, and it would be up to the CCB for long term closures or fines.

Director Togliatti asked for specific examples of poor business practices [that would lead to suspension]. Sgt. Thayer that examples include hiring unlicensed security and promoters that are not properly trained and do not have proper permits or alcohol awareness cards. Due to lack of training, they are unable to defuse situations which can lead to escalation. Director Togliatti asked if they learned about these unlicensed staff after the fact. Sgt. Thayer responded that the officers respond as a

unit and there are separate simultaneous investigations regarding the crimes. If the crime is non-violent or egregious, Sgt. Thayer's team may go out the next day to do a site check and make sure that the business is abiding by their license. They will issue a citation or show cause and inform the city or county, who will call the business owners in.

Chair Yeager commented that the CCB may have the ability to help with enforcement, inspections, and spot checks. He also reinforced that alcohol will not be served at these establishments and hopes that that will mitigate some of the violent problems. He also invited Sgt. Thayer to submit any proposed language that he would like to see included in the Subcommittee's recommendations.

Finally, Sgt. Thayer clarified that the city of Las Vegas makes decisions during their next city council meeting, not the next day. Chair Yeager added that a benefits of the CCB is that they can respond quickly and hopes that emergency shutdowns can be avoided. Sgt. Thayer continued that Metro would like to be involved in the CCB in these instances.

Impairment and Overconsumption (for discussion only)

Chair Yeager reminded the committee and attendees that in the last meeting the Subcommittee discussed the possibility of partnering with rideshare. He introduced Chris Miller from Uber and Tracy Lee from Lyft and invited them to discuss potential partnership efforts they have in other locations and what they've done to prevent impaired driving. He then asked how the State can incentivize people to not drive impaired and the types of partnerships and costs associated with each. He finally asked if the Subcommittee needs to make recommendations or if those partnerships naturally form.

Mr. Miller discussed the timeliness of the issue and a recent partnerships Uber entered into with Anheuser-Busch and Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) to promote the reduction of impaired driving. Their main platform is that people should decide to take a ride at the beginning of the night, so they're not left with a choice to drive later. They are working in eight cities and offering a 20% discount code, which are similar things they can be offered with lounges and dispensaries.

Ms. Lee, Director of Public Policy for Lyft in the west coast, is a former prosecutor and a big portion of her career was spent prosecuting impaired driving. Lyft partners with the Governor's Highway Safety Association (GHSA) to offer grants and ride credits to five states to conduct targeted campaigns which include topics such as poly-impairment. Mr. Miller added that Uber also has partnerships that are aimed at preventing distracted and impaired driving.

Chair Yeager asked how the state of Nevada could apply for a grant with Lyft and asked if they had in the past. Ms. Lee responded that there was an application process with an open-ended proposal but mostly geared toward public education and she would check to see if Nevada had applied in the past.

Chair Yeager then asked about the different kinds of partnerships models and if non-profits or government agencies can establish a pool and if private businesses could participate if they choose, are they able to reach to Lyft. Ms. Lee stated that Lyft works with private entities. They also work with non-profits and business improvement districts who can distribute codes to local businesses. They will also partner with governments if there is funding. Mr. Miller added that Uber will partner with anyone, and they have a service for businesses that will allow them to book rides for their patrons who don't have smartphones.

Next, Chair Yeager commented that based on their responses the Subcommittee may not need to recommend partnerships be put into regulation, and the CCB may have the potential to mandate corrective action if there are problems at certain consumption lounges. He asked if the companies were able to aggregate data to see how many rides originated at a specific location, and if a particular lounge has a lot of impaired drivers leaving their establishment, could they ask Lyft or Uber for information regarding whether or not that establishment is underutilizing rideshare. Mr. Miller and Ms. Lee both replied that they'd be happy to provide anonymized data to help state agencies. Chair Yeager said that suggesting the CCB start to partner with rideshare is something the subcommittee will consider. Ms. Lee commented that the National District Attorney Association's Traffic Law Center released reports using Lyft data that showed declines in DUIs and arrests in cities in California and other major cities across the U.S.

Mr. Yeager commented that it is always better to take rideshare and mentioned some of the ramifications of getting a DUI in Nevada.

Ms. Hughes asked if there were ever times where obtaining a ride may be difficult. Mr. Miller replied that peak hours exist, and Uber has surge and dynamic pricing and prepares for those peak times surrounding events. Executive Director Hughes continued that the companies may be able to utilize the aforementioned data to determine peak times once these businesses open. Mr. Miller added that both companies are able to ensure that there is a proper supply of drivers and offering the right amount of incentive. Furthermore, the drivers are from the community, so they're better informed of where rides are needed. Chair Yeager expressed his hope that more people will utilize rideshare since use was low during the pandemic.

Lessons from NUWU Consumption Lounge

Chair Yeager disclosed that he visited the NUWU consumption lounge to get a better understanding of the operations of their lounge. He did not partake but did witness people utilizing the lounge. He introduced the guest speakers from NUWU.

John Ocegüera of Strategy 360 was present to represent the Las Vegas Paiute tribe and New Cannabis Marketplace. He introduced Ethan Lucas who is the Director of Cannabis at NUWU. He stated that Las Vegas Paiute tribe is a sovereign nation that has entered into a compact with the State. The Tribe's codes regarding health and safety generally mimic State regulations. They are there, as a good neighbor government, to share lessons learned and best practices but may be unable to answer some questions that are related to their intellectual property or sovereignty. He also extended the offer for other members of the subcommittee to visit NUWU.

Ethan Lucas covered some of the steps taken over the past year and three months to mitigate risk within their operation. Safety is their number one priority to mitigate risk response rate of the operator. Steps they've taken are:

- Checking temperatures at check-in to reduce the risk of Covid positive patrons entering the space.
- Assess the customer to see if they're intoxicated and denying entry to those who are.
- Escort customers to their tables, which masks on, so there is minimal interaction with other customers.

Their service over the last four months has been a one-use model. Packages and devices are provided and then cleaned, packaged, and given to the customer when they leave to prevent different groups from using the same device to keep the customers safe.

To keep employees and patrons safe, they have installed nine-foot-tall dividers in each section, hospital grade air filters and other cleaning technology, and all tables are cleaned between customers. Patrons must purchase single-serving products from their tasting room, and they are allowed to leave with unused product to avoid the risk of overconsumption. All labels also are provided including in the exit bag to maintain compliance. He wanted to emphasize the importance of allowing people to leave with the product since people tend to not want to waste any products they've purchased. They've found it is a deterrent to overconsumption.

Mr. Lucas continued by discussing dosing. He started with edibles and stated that they provide micro doses since edibles take longer to affect someone. For smokable products, they allow one product at a time to allow the consumer to self-regulate. They also package doses off site for sanitary reasons.

Chair Yeager asked was a 'dab' is, which Mr. Lucas replied that it is a higher concentration that takes effect sooner than smokable flour.

Detective Garber asked if they had any issues with overconsumption with calls for police response at the beginning until they figured out the micro-dose model. Mr. Lucas replied that the single-use model was enacted at the beginning, and they use Lyft codes for big events, and they have a taxicab button. Tribal police have a 24-hour no tow policy. In all their time operating tribal police were only called twice due to already being intoxicated or having not eaten in the heat. Staff is trained to look for multiple variables to make sure patrons are receiving a good experience.

Detective Garber stated his biggest concern the illicit market and people bringing in illegal product. Mr. Lucas stated they have a zero-tolerance policy of outside product, and they require everything to be purchased inside the tasting room which is immediately reported to Metrc.

Detective Garber asked if searches are conducted for weapons. Mr. Lucas stated that they have hired security, but have since scaled back because they have not had any violent altercations in the time they've been open. They've found that not allowing

intoxicated people into the facility and preventing polysubstance use, they limit the problem, and that cannabis users react differently when impaired compared to alcohol users.

Executive Director Hughes asked about the training programs they have in place. Mr. Lucas responded that each position has an intense training syllabus that is months long. Executive Director Hughes thanked Mr. Lucas and stated that safety is the State's concern as well, and she wanted to see what best practices they could consider borrowing. Mr. Ocegüera said that he and Mr. Lucas would be glad to consult with the committee on their recommendations, but they were unable to share documents due to intellectual property.

Assemblyman Roberts asked how big the lounge is and the capacity. Mr. Lucas replied that the lounge is 2500 sq. ft. with a 25-person capacity to keep things safe during Covid restrictions. Chair Yeager spoke about his experience visiting NUWU and the procedures they have in place to mitigate overconsumption and use of illicit products. Mr. Lucas emphasized that they have never had an issue with someone bringing in outside products.

Chair Yeager asked Mr. Lucas to discuss patrons being able to remove product since that was something the Subcommittee had previously discussed. Chair Yeager felt that there may be need to reconsider not allowing patrons to leave with product. Mr. Lucas said that packages are built for four to six people, so not allowing people to remove product would push them consume. Every order comes with the state mandated information labels, a receipt, and an exit bag so they can take any leftover product. They clean the bongs and package them for the patron to take, so they're not reusing them.

Chair Yeager mentioned to the committee that when he visited he had a non-cannabis drink that could be infused, and he asked if patrons were allowed to leave with those types of products. Mr. Lucas replied that patrons were not allowed to leave nor are any other products that can't be placed in a resealable bag or the child proof exit bag. Walk-up patrons are only allowed one product at a time, but multi-person packages are served with all the product at once, so their focus on product leaving is mainly on the table packages. Chair Yeager asked what else is served in the table packages besides cannabis. Mr. Lucas responded that they serve a variety of sodas and chips. Water is immediately served as soon as someone sits down to make sure people are hydrated. They also serve bongs and individual pipes, so nobody has to share. All pre-rolls are sealed. Everything from lighters to grinders are provided which are then cleaned and leave with the customer.

Chair Yeager asked if reservations were required. Mr. Lucas replied that they were required for table packages. Initially it was seven days in advance, but now that they have safety measures in place, patrons are allowed to make same-day reservations. Chair Yeager asked about time limits, and Mr. Lucas replied that the entire experience was allotted an hour and a half.

Chair Yeager asked what percentage of consumers consume everything or how many leave with product. Mr. Lucas estimated that 75 to 80 percent leave with product. The packages are marketed at more regular consumers, so he wanted to make sure that people buying the packages felt like they had enough product.

Chair Yeager asked if, due to their location near downtown Las Vegas, if they ever have situations where people come to the facility already impaired or if only one person in a group is impaired and how they deal with those situations. Mr. Lucas replied that they have a 100 percent refusal policy if anyone in the group is impaired. They found that in a small facility that if someone is intoxicated, regardless of the level of intoxication, it ruins the experience for everyone.

Impairment and Overconsumption (for discussion only)

Chair Yeager referred to the documents distributed to the committee before the meeting which included ordinances and statutes from other states. The first thing he discussed was the required training for employees and pointed to Colorado's requirement of only two hours of training. He believes that two-hours is too quick and would like to get the Subcommittees input. Detective Garber stated that alcohol-based businesses conduct a yearly eight-hour paid training for their personnel and security, which includes guest speakers from Metro, the Rape Crisis Center, and other groups. Assemblyman Roberts stated that a balance needs to be found between what is required in statute and the amount of material that needs to be covered. Chair Yeager stated that the Colorado had required training in place, but they added nine additional items, which were shared in the meeting materials, when they added hospitality businesses. He stated that the time limit of two hours was not extended once the additional items were added, and he believe that is not enough time. He stated that he assumes the CCB has some training requirements in place, so they can add to that with a range of times and those suggestions could be narrowed down in promulgation once the CCB hears from licensees. Director Togliatti they should direct their attention to each topic and

determine how to adequately cover each one. He's unsure what the length of time may vary but he believes what was initially proposed [timewise] is inadequate. He said there may be some overlap with existing training, so they have to make their suggestions by looking at the big picture. Chair Yeager agreed and stated that training may vary between new and existing businesses.

Chair Yeager opened the floor for additional suggestions or proposed the Subcommittee build on the regulations Colorado has in place to recommend to the CCB.

Next, Chair Yeager brought up the topic of recommending businesses do not allow patrons who are visibly impaired. He feels that Colorado's language works well and is adequate. There was no further discussion on this topic by the committee members.

Chair Yeager re-introduced the topic of allowing patrons to leave lounges with unused product, and stated that after hearing about Mr. Lucas's experiences, he is more inclined to recommend patrons can leave with it to avoid the risk of overconsumption. He pointed to Colorado's regulation about leaving with product if it is labeled and package correctly. Detective Garber added that he too changed his view after hearing Mr. Lucas's presentation and sees how allowing customers to leave with product will help reduce overconsumption. He said that patrons of dispensaries are able to leave with products, so lounge customers will still be abiding by the law. Assemblyman Roberts also agreed as long as independent lounges aren't acting as a dispensary. Chair Yeager agrees and states that limitations on how much product can be ordered may need to be put in place, so people are not ordering with the intention of having leftover product. Assemblyman Roberts stated that rules should not differ between independent or retail lounges and Director Togliatti said that rules may have to differ dependent on license type. Director Togliatti said that he too changed his mind, like Detective Garber, after hearing Mr. Lucas's presentation. Executive Director Hughes agreed. Chair Yeager said they may want to make suggestions on the types of products that can be removed. He reiterated that the CCB will have final say on these recommendations.

Chair Yeager moved on to polysubstance use and pointed to Colorado's regulations again which, in addition to alcohol, prohibit tobacco use in their hospitality businesses. He also mentioned the opposite effects of THC and nicotine.

Chair Yeager brought up educational materials distributed to patrons which include warnings about pregnancy and impaired driving. He commented that there may be overlap with the warnings they propose and the Public Health Subcommittee's recommendations. He also proposed the CCB work with other agencies to come up with warnings, which Assemblyman Roberts agreed with. Director Togliatti agreed and brought up the funding that may be available through Lyft to pay for educational campaigns.

The next topic addressed by Chair Yeager was businesses collaborating with rideshare. He believed there isn't a need for any recommendations coming from the Subcommittee, but they may want to suggest corrective action for businesses who have excessive impaired drivers originating from their location.

Chair Yeager then brought up the topic of medical incidents and referenced the previous meeting where a guest speaker mentioned having an EMT on standby. He thinks that medical occurrences should be reported to the CCB in some fashion, so they can collect information and provide additional guidance if necessary. Executive Director Hughes agreed that it would be helpful for the CCB to receive information about any medical issues. Although cannabis is tested, there are problems that can occur, so it would be helpful for the CCB to be abreast of any issues. Chair Yeager mentioned that awareness of factors including overconsumption or dehydration, which made lead to medical intervention should be tracked so consumer information can be updated if necessary. He believes the CCB will want to know if certain lounges are having more problems than others.

Security (for discussion only)

On the topic of security, Chair Yeager brought up businesses having a security plan or security officer in place. He also mentioned that it is illegal to carry a firearm while under the influence of a controlled substance, and the Subcommittee previously discussed not allowing people to enter cannabis lounges with a firearm but asked how that policy would work with armed security. Detective Garber suggested that armed security remained outside of the building to alleviate them from being exposed to any smoke in the consumption lounge. This would still follow the law. He said there could have unarmed security inside. Director Togliatti agrees about posting that no weapons are allowed and with Detective Garber's remarks of posting

armed security outside. Recommendations may be dependent on what rules are currently in place with existing dispensaries. Chair Yeager shared his experience and NUWU and how the lounge and store were connected, but you were unable to smell the smoke from the store. He also mentioned that not all future lounges may have smoking, so that may factor into how security is set up.

Chair Yeager brought up an orderliness ordinance stating that businesses could not be a nuisance to the community. He said he intends to put that on the list of recommendations. Assemblyman Roberts likes the idea of adding additional language to give people piece of mind, such as delegating emergency closures to the police and giving operators clear directions to stay compliant.

Next, the topic of emergency license suspension was addressed. Detective Garber provided language to the Chair, who will include some of the language into their final recommendation document. Another topic addressed by the Chair was emergency entry by public safety personnel, which states that all consumption must cease while emergency personnel are doing their work.

Reporting of emergency response incidents to the CCB was brought up next, and the Chair stated that police reports should definitely go to the CCB to make sure that businesses aren't operating out of bounds. Chair Yeager asked Detective Garber if 48 hours was adequate time to complete a report. Detective Garber replied that reports are done on scene. He also added that Metro has worked with the CCB in the past who has able to disseminate information if there is a trend in criminal activity affecting cannabis businesses. Chair Yeager continued that the CCB would like to have that information sooner than later, whether it is related to the consumption lounge or outside their operations. He also mentioned that expanded staff was approved to help regulate new businesses.

Chair Yeager introduced the idea of heat mapping to see if there is an uptick in crimes in areas surrounding a consumption lounge. He asked if Metro had the capability to see if there are increases and if those should be reported to the CCB. Detective Garber replied that Metro does have the ability and they have crime maps and are able to generate heat maps by inputting an address. Assemblyman Roberts stated that area captains receive a weekly report on problem addresses and calls for service, so if they see a business is having a lot of problems nearby, officers can investigate, and he does not foresee it being issue to share that information with the CCB.

Consumption Area Requirements (for discussion only)

Chair Yeager referenced the previous meeting where the Subcommittee briefly brought up the topic of outdoor consumption and stated that there is no prohibition currently with a business having an enclosed patio, but restrictions would be up to the CCB and local jurisdictions. He thinks it would make sense to have an outdoor patio as long as it is not a public nuisance. He referred to Colorado's regulation that allows for outdoor consumption as long as it is in an enclosed area that is out of sight. He thinks these are reasonable recommendations to make to the CCB. He also commented, and was unclear if this was a CCB or zoning matter, that a space should not be near housing. Detective Garber's concern is giving patrons the ability to pass the product outside of the enclosed area so product or other illegal items such as firearms cannot be passed back and forth.

Chair Yeager mentioned on site food preparation and said that may be a topic for the Public Health Subcommittee, but he thought that they could make a general recommendation that establishments must follow local health codes if they prepare food to avoid illnesses.

Notices and Warnings (for discussion only)

Chair Yeager again referred to Colorado's required warnings and wanted to add the additional restriction about warnings that weapons and firearms are prohibited. Director Togliatti also suggested they add that weapons are subject to confiscation. Detective Garber added that no trespassing signs should also be included in exterior spaces. They also discussed adding no loitering and no firearms signs outside as well. Director Togliatti said they should keep in mind that businesses will exist in smaller jurisdictions with fewer resources, so they should add that warnings are subject to local and state law. Chair Yeager said he will add these suggestions to a final document they can discuss during their next meeting.

Products and Consumption Methods (for discussion only)

Chair Yeager referred to Colorado's restrictions on quantities of sale which is 20mg limit and 10mg serving size. He added that he did not have any strong feelings about the limits, but they seemed like a good place to start. Assemblyman Roberts recommended providing some of the guidance from NUWU in their recommendations because they seemed practical, and it would be good to rely on best practices of a currently successful lounge operation. Detective Garber provided some information about the mg in different products. Chair Yeager suggested setting a maximum but also requiring low doses be available for an unexperienced consumer. Detective Garber added that education for the employees is key to educate the consumers on how products may affect them.

Next, they discussed the sanitation of equipment, which Chair Yeager mentioned may also be something Public Health will cover. He referenced NUWU's policy of including equipment with their packages so there is no cross-contamination and patrons can leave with a souvenir of the experience. Assemblyman Roberts also reminded the group that NUWU cleaned the products before packaging them and giving them to the customer to avoid product leaving the store. Director Togliatti agreed that he was impressed with NUWU's practices and cleanliness.

Chair Yeager suggested making free water service mandatory, like other businesses they heard from, to ensure that patrons stay safe and hydrated. Assemblyman Roberts agreed.

Finally, they discussed leaving with unused product but making sure that tracking was in place to keep the product from reaching the illicit market. He asked Executive Director Hughes if she felt there was a problem with the CCB being able to track product, which she said she did not foresee a problem.

Future Meetings (for discussion only)

Chair Yeager said that the next meeting they will cover a document with all their recommendations, and they can vote to send that to the Cannabis Advisory Commission. Detective Garber clarified that Nevada refers to establishments as consumption lounges and that should be reflected in their recommendations.

Public Comment

Nicole Buffong, Western Regional Director for Minorities for Medical Marijuana, thanked the Subcommittee for their time. She stated that she did not hear in the meetings about CBD concentrate in isolate form being used to help mitigate the negative effects of THC overconsumption. She stated that there has been research done by experts and cannabis chefs who find that CBD concentrate helps with how THC interacts with the body. She said she can provide research to the Subcommittee to be included in trainings.

Andrew Mieure, Director of Cannect Hospitality and Top Shelf Budtending, stated that Colorado pulled their two-hour limit from an existing responsible vendor program. He feels that those programs should be at least four hours long to cover all topics in depth. He is also working with TAM to create a program cannabis consumption program and they are active in giving recommendations to local governments. Finally, he mentioned brought up that independent lounges must be product from existing dispensaries, so he doesn't feel that their businesses will take away from any existing businesses.

Adjournment