



PROPOSED STUDY QUESTIONS

Appropriations and Expenditures of the Dedicated Cannabis Account

The Dedicated Cannabis Account

Initiative 502 legalized recreational cannabis and created the Dedicated Cannabis Account.

Account revenues come from the 37% excise tax on cannabis sales, license fees, penalties and forfeitures.

\$555 million from excise taxes in FY 2021.






I-502 and the Legislature identified activities and entities the Account may fund

Added under I-502:

-  Health care, education, and prevention
-  Liquor and Cannabis Board
-  Cannabis research
-  State general fund

Added by Legislature:

-  Additional administration and enforcement
-  Local governments
-  Social equity in cannabis

Proposed study questions

- 1 How much money has been appropriated from the Dedicated Cannabis Account and for what purposes?
- 2 How have state and local entities spent the funds they received? Are the expenditures consistent with statutory directives?
- 3 How much from the Account has been spent in local communities?
- 4 How is information about the Account's appropriations and expenditures made available to the public and are there options for improving the transparency and accessibility of information?

Next Steps

Preliminary Report
December 2023

Proposed Final Report
January 2024

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