

## Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Alcohol Beverage Control Board DATE: March 31, 2017

FROM: James Hoelscher, Enforcement Supervisor RE: Enforcement Report, Alcohol

AMCO Investigators have continued with the renewal inspections for alcohol premises and the new inspections for marijuana premises. We have also continued to contact licensees, agents, employees and members of the public to hear any concerns. The concerns are addressed quickly and have created a proactive enforcement aspect which in turn has reduced the number of reported violations.

The Enforcement staff has been assisting Director McConnell in her transition with regard to enforcement issues. We have also hired a new Investigator for Fairbanks, Michael Chiesa, who will join AMCO on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. He is an experienced APSC Certified Officer with experience in urban and rural Alaska.

The Enforcement Team and I have conducted numerous walk-throughs, inspections and investigations. The investigations range from simple violations, product adulteration/misbranding, sale without a license and minimum operating requirements. We also have been reviewing Alcohol Server Courses, both new and renewals. We also have been answering numerous questions and listening to comments and responding to complaints. As you can see from the number of requests and questions, this has consumed a very large portion of our time and it is our hope that as time goes on, we will have educated licensees resulting in reduced violations due to proactive stance we have taken.

## Alcohol & Marijuana Stats 2017 (as of 3-24-17)

Investigations – 58 (1 Rural)
Alcohol Walk-throughs - 124
Alcohol Inspections – 74 (36 Rural)
Alcohol NOV's -9
Alcohol Advisory Notices - 8
Alcohol Permits reviewed - 164
Marijuana Walk-throughs - 40
Marijuana Inspections - 36
Marijuana NOV's - 14
Marijuana Advisory Notices - 3
Marijuana Background Conducted (MJ-18) - 10
Marijuana Handler Cards Issued - 407
Enforcement Calls/Requests/General Enforcement Email – 1,532