

ALASKA MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD  
Resolution 18-01

A Resolution of the Alaska Marijuana Control Board Adopting the Enforcement Priorities Listed in the U.S. Department of Justice Memorandum dated August 19, 2013, from James M. Cole, Deputy Attorney General (Cole Memorandum)

- WHEREAS: The cultivation, sale, manufacture and testing of marijuana are legal in the State of Alaska subject to state statutes and regulations; and
- WHEREAS: The Alaska Marijuana Control Board is charged with enforcing Alaska Statutes Chapter 17.38 - Regulation of Marijuana; and
- WHEREAS: The Alaska Marijuana Control Board has adopted regulations to meet the requirements of A.S. 17.38; and
- WHEREAS: Throughout the regulations development process, and continuing into the consideration and regulation of licenses, the Board has accepted the U.S. Department of Justice Cole Memorandum as identifying principles that are consistent with our statute and relevant to our responsibilities as the regulating entity; and
- WHEREAS: The Alaska Marijuana Control Board wishes to adopt the enforcement priorities listed in the Cole Memorandum because they contain principles that reflect responsible commercial development by legitimate taxpaying business people that safeguards the public health;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Marijuana Control Board that the following principles are adopted and shall be considered in all its deliberations:

The Board is committed to preventing the distribution of marijuana to minors; and

The Board is committed to preventing revenue from the sale of marijuana from going to criminal enterprises, gangs, and cartels; and

The Board is committed to preventing the diversion of legal marijuana from Alaska to other states; and

The Board is committed to preventing state-licensed marijuana activity from being used as a cover or pretext for trafficking of other illegal drugs or illegal activity; and

The Board is committed to taking actions to prevent violence and the unlawful use of firearms in the cultivation and distribution of marijuana; and

The Board will work with appropriate agencies in the State of Alaska to prevent drugged driving and the exacerbation of other adverse public health consequences associated with marijuana use; and

The Board is committed to preventing the cultivation of marijuana on Federal Public Lands and the attendant public safety and environmental dangers posed by unlicensed marijuana production on Federal Public Lands; and

The Board will cooperate with appropriate State and Federal agencies to discourage the possession and use of marijuana on Federal property.