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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, good afternoon. It is now 1 o'clock on October 19th, 2026, and the Medical Cannabis Commission Meeting is now called to order. This meeting is subject to the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. A copy of the Act is available for review at the back of the room.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Today's agenda and any documents to be discussed during the meeting are also available for public review. The next order of business is roll call, to record roll call.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Sign horse? Fair enough.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Elwood? Here. Meeting? Here? Here.

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00:00:41.610 --> 00:00:44.549
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, we have a quorum, and the meeting will proceed.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The next order of business is to approve the minutes from the September 14th, 2026 meeting.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Are there any corrections or additions to the minutes?

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00:00:58.490 --> 00:00:59.290
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay.

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00:01:00.950 --> 00:01:03.209
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay, so there were some, but they areâ€¦

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00:01:03.730 --> 00:01:10.669
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes, more than those, okay. So, is there a motion to approve the minutes as amended?

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So moved. I have a motion by Commissioner Elworth and a second.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Second. And a second by Commissioner Coffey.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Any discussion?

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Seeing no further discussion, coordinator, please call the roll.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Signorst.

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00:01:28.760 --> 00:01:35.890
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes. Meeting? Yes. Yes. The motion carries on the meeting. Minutes are approved.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The next order of business is a public comment period. The public comment period is not a question and answer session. This is an opportunity for the public to voice comments.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Each speaker may comment only once, offensive language, defamatory remarks, and hostile conduct will not be tolerated. Verbal outbursts or applause are not permitted in the meeting room, and may be paused for you to be asked to leave.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: To help the Commission receive the most useful input, we encourage speakers to focus their comments on topics within the Commission's authority, such as personal experiences with Nebraska's medical Cannabis program.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Specific policy or regulatory recommendations, patient, caregiver, provider, or industry concerns, implementation challenges or suggested improvements, and other matters relevant to the Commission duties.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes and should state and spell their name for the record. The public comment period will be limited to 1 hour or less if there are not sufficient speakers. Can we have a show of hands of those who intend to speak?

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00:02:35.150 --> 00:02:45.140
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: For those of you speaking today, is there anyone who needs to speak earlier in the public comment period and is unable to stay the entire allotted time? Yeah, it might be me. Okay, very good.

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00:02:45.890 --> 00:02:49.809
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Kamana, we appreciate everyone taking the time to speak today.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I would bring up Will with me that

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: He's unfortunately being weaned off with a drug that he's addicted to, and having behaviors

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: 10,000 plus times toxicity on one of the pharmaceutical cities on it, so it's causing him to have withdrawal symptoms, butâ€¦

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00:03:10.520 --> 00:03:14.810
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: He's disabled, so thatâ€¦ Unfortunately. So, anyway.

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00:03:15.310 --> 00:03:19.450
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: he was grabby the last time I was here. I thought he was gonna be a little bit better this time, but it's okay.

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00:03:19.770 --> 00:03:30.179
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: He's expressing this. Anyway, alright, gotta be quiet. Good afternoon. My name is Dominic Gillen. It's D-O-M-I-N-I-C-G-I-L-L-E-N.

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00:03:30.380 --> 00:03:40.770
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I've justified before this Commission before, and I warned that this commission could become the scapegoat for delays and decisions that are really part of a much larger state implementation process.

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00:03:40.930 --> 00:03:45.959
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: After watching the Commission's reaction to public courtism, I want to say something very plainly.

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00:03:46.240 --> 00:03:53.309
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I pray that criticism from the public will never influence your willingness to faithfully carry out the charge that you were given.

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00:03:53.990 --> 00:04:00.169
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Criticism is part of public service. Patients and citizens have every right to question how this process is being handled.

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00:04:00.310 --> 00:04:14.939
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The permanent regulations were approved in July, just months afterâ€¦ just months later, we are already going through another substantial round of rulemaking. The Commission says revised regulations and a new manufacturer application period anticipated for early 2027.

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00:04:15.070 --> 00:04:22.359
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: These aren't really harmless paperwork changes. Every new round takes time. Then applications must be submitted, reviewed, so on and so forth.

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00:04:22.490 --> 00:04:38.340
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: For patients like my son, Will, that's more waiting. Attorney General Tildress was asked about the pace of implementation, and he recently said on KETV, and I quote, how fast they go, or how slow they go, is really up to them. It's notâ€¦ it's not in my hands at all.

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00:04:38.350 --> 00:04:44.579
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: There could have been better level setting in terms of how fast or how slow this could work, but they didn't ask me to do that.

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00:04:44.760 --> 00:04:46.860
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So, anyway, those are his words.

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00:04:47.190 --> 00:04:58.859
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And Governor Pillen has often offered direct constituents with questions about medical Cannabis back to you guys on

the Commission. So who was responsible for setting the timeline and making sure this process was properly level set from the beginning?

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: If the Commission is being held responsible for the pace, perhaps some of the Commission's frustrations should be directed upward to the Governor and the Attorney General, not necessarily at patients and citizens asking legitimate questions.

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00:05:10.590 --> 00:05:12.299
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And here's my biggest concern.

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00:05:12.380 --> 00:05:27.479
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I believe that the state is ultimately going to discover that some of these regulations completely contradict or improperly narrow what Nebraska's voters already approved in law through Initiative 437. If that happens, what follows? More rulemaking.

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00:05:27.480 --> 00:05:44.769
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: More rewriting, more months of waiting to correct rules that should have been right in the first place. Initiative 437 establishes an allowable amount to 5 ounces, yet Commission regulations prohibit raw plant material, smoking, vaping prohibit edible cannabis products, and impose a 5 gram total THC level over 90 days.

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00:05:44.770 --> 00:06:00.700
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: If those restrictions are consistent with 437 and 4388, then please show us the authority. I hope the meeting would ask that question. Finally, why was Nebraska'sâ€¦ this is the biggest question for me. Why was Nebraska's existing expertise never meaningfully used to speed this process up?

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00:06:00.770 --> 00:06:12.869
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We already had a hemp commission in place with experience in cultivation, processing, testing, and regulation. Hemp and medical cannabis aren't identical, but that institutional knowledge could have helped.

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00:06:13.490 --> 00:06:14.960
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Why wasn't it used?

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00:06:15.190 --> 00:06:16.690
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I know that they tried.

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00:06:17.000 --> 00:06:30.119

Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Nebraska voters approved medical cannabis nearly 2 years ago. My son and thousands of Nebraska patients have waited long enough. Please don't make them wait for rules to be fixed. They really should have been right in the first place. And thank you for your time.

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00:06:30.860 --> 00:06:31.650
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Any questions?

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00:06:44.490 --> 00:06:46.859
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anyone else wishing to speak?

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00:06:47.340 --> 00:06:48.030
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Oh no.

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00:07:04.050 --> 00:07:05.000
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Love.

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00:07:05.350 --> 00:07:11.239
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Cannon Coriel, S-H-A-N-N-O-N-C-O-R-Y-E-L-L.

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00:07:12.330 --> 00:07:15.479
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: What makes a successful medical Cannabis program?

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00:07:15.800 --> 00:07:23.169
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: First is patient access and reusable product types. This includes allowing healthcare professionals to use a critical judgment

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Rather than a narrow list.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Second is a diverse product selection.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Blanket bans on common consumption methods can severely limit clinical utility.

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00:07:35.010 --> 00:07:43.119
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Third is realistic possession limits that align with actual therapeutic dosing needs without restrictive THC caps.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Fourth is adequate dispensary density.

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00:07:46.630 --> 00:07:56.540
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: This included avoiding overly restrictive capsule locations, preventing long journeys for sick patients, Fifth is cultivator capacity.

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00:07:56.720 --> 00:08:00.980
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Setting cultivation caps high enough to prevent product shortages.

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00:08:01.540 --> 00:08:03.440
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And high patient costs.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The next factors are notâ€¦ do not pertain to you or your duties, but include patient and caregiver protections, provider protections, and easy-to-navigate provider registries.

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00:08:17.170 --> 00:08:32.179
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Lastly is transparent oversight, ensuring the regulatory Commission works collaboratively with patient advocates, medical experts, and industry stakeholders, rather than imposing rules that are overly punitive or restrictive.

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00:08:32.690 --> 00:08:39.500
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I hope this commission gets it right for the patients and caregivers in Nebraska, for both current and future patients.

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00:08:39.700 --> 00:08:43.670
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Because you never know when you or a loved one will need the program.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The less fighting or advocating that that patient has to do, the more time they'll have to focus on their own care.

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00:08:51.670 --> 00:09:00.329
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: No sick patient or parent should have to be fit with a devastating diagnosis to then have to immediately summon the strength to fight for access.

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00:09:00.460 --> 00:09:05.459
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: to their compassionate care. It is, like I said, too important. Thank you.

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00:09:24.280 --> 00:09:39.590
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Hey, my name is Georgetowna Schroeder Stanley. It's G-E-O-R-G-A-N-N-A-S-C-H-R-O-E-D-E-R-S-T-A-N-L-E-Y.

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00:09:40.020 --> 00:09:55.909
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay, to the Commissioner who was at the hearing last week, thank you for considering it seriously now. I called a thank you to you outside the building afterwards, which I didn't think you heard. Then I thought, oops, maybe that person wasn't you.

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00:09:56.630 --> 00:10:05.900
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: This is more than a year now for me attending these commission meetings. The story of how I ended up here is a very strange chapter in my life.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Quite an unlikely series of happenings. I could never have imagined any of it.

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00:10:11.790 --> 00:10:24.629
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I'm an example of the thousands of Nebraskans who quietly found forms of marijuana helpful for pain. The only difference between me and them is I keep coming here and telling about it.

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00:10:24.930 --> 00:10:33.989
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We go by legally, not illegally for now, anyway, what is classified recreational, but widely used for medical benefits.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Most of us have no current plans to be in a medical marijuana program. We just want the option available. We see the promise of hope.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: For patients to obtain safe treatment tailored to the individual patient's condition.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: It was almost 2 years after voters in Nebraska expressed approval for medical marijuana. A program is nowhere near set up. Medical marijuana Nebraska people have been subjected to opposing politicians' vicious efforts to ruin their lives.

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00:11:07.750 --> 00:11:10.879
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: What a disgraceful picture of escape.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Eventually, the opponents will have to admit defeat. In the meantime, children have countless more seizures and grow up to no longer be children. Cancer victims die in agony, veterans commit suicide, suffering patients wait and wait and wait.

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00:11:31.400 --> 00:11:32.350
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:11:32.990 --> 00:11:33.970
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:11:38.310 --> 00:11:39.910
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anyone else wishing to speak?

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00:11:49.040 --> 00:11:56.379
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Hello, my name is Jason Pettick. I am the CEO at Sydney Regional Medical Center. My name is spelled J-A-S-O-N-P-E-T-I-K.

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00:11:56.640 --> 00:12:06.840
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And my appearance here before the Commission, really is probably a little premature. A plan that we are looking at, at Sydney Regional Medical Center is more on the distributing

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00:12:06.850 --> 00:12:21.719
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: perspective. I know that's down the line a little bit, but just an idea. I did submit a letter to the Commission last week with some of our ideas and concepts that would fit around a certified pharmacy program for distribution of medical cannabis.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We have all the safety precautions in place, we have a lot of the things in place already that the Commission is looking for. I would just ask that there's some rules and regulations that probably need to be addressed. Medical cannabis, by nature, medical cannabis, yet can't be within 1,000 feet of a medical facility.

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00:12:38.990 --> 00:12:56.980
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: on surface looks a little odd, but I think those are some things that might need to be looked at by the Commission for Rural Changes. Also, getting that change to a Schedule III, that would also allow professional medical people to prescribe and then use the pharmaceutical services as a Schedule 1, they can't do it now.

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00:12:56.990 --> 00:13:08.070
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So, those are just some of the thoughts that I have. We are interested in looking at helping this Commission move this forward in the most expedient way in regards to, from a safety perspective.

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00:13:08.070 --> 00:13:23.470
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And we want to make sure that these things are produced in the right way, that they can be medically managed by medical professionals, and then distributed by a system that would be in place that could have all the safety features that I believe the Commission and the Governor is looking for in this approach, soâ€¦

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00:13:23.530 --> 00:13:25.319
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: That's right. Thank you.

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00:13:26.140 --> 00:13:30.140
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Before he goes. Thank you for the letter, by the way.

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00:13:30.250 --> 00:13:35.520
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And you're right, it's a little premature, but it's okay to get it to us now.

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00:13:35.620 --> 00:13:40.249
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Have you had access to the rules and regulations?

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00:13:40.590 --> 00:13:48.340
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: They, they willâ€¦ They will give you guidance on dispensary rules, that sort of thing. Have you seen those?

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00:13:48.470 --> 00:13:54.629
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes, we have. We've seen all the ones, yes. That's what you want to start with. Yep, thank you. Thank you, Sam.

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00:13:57.730 --> 00:13:59.990
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: If you've done your research into this.

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00:14:00.100 --> 00:14:05.669
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: What things have you found? I mean, you mentioned those couple, but,

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00:14:05.790 --> 00:14:10.310
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: How have you gotten responses from those around your hospital?

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00:14:10.490 --> 00:14:12.730
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Sure.

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00:14:12.940 --> 00:14:24.379
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I reached out to the Nebraska Hospital Association, looked for their input of how they would see this fitting in. They didn't have any concerns at that time. Obviously, again, wanting to make sure they're working through the Commission.

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00:14:24.430 --> 00:14:39.389
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I talked with the Medical Association, Nebraska Medical Association. They were very interested in the approach that we were taking, and liked the control aspect of that. I also spoke with the Nebraska Pharmacy Association, and they were very much in support of the approach that we were taking with this.

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00:14:40.890 --> 00:14:41.640
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yep.

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00:14:42.600 --> 00:14:43.560
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Is there a question.

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00:14:47.010 --> 00:14:48.310
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you very much.

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00:14:52.200 --> 00:14:54.030
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anyone else working to speak?

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00:15:03.070 --> 00:15:12.110
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Good afternoon, my name is Crista Eggers, C-R-I-S-T-A-E-G-G-E-R-S, and I am the Executive Director of Nebraskans for Medical Marijuana.

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00:15:12.920 --> 00:15:20.169
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I wanted to come today and, try to take a different approach. I've spoken to you

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: For a long time, and you know the concerns, clearly, that we have with these rules and regulations.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And so I am going to come today in a place

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: To hopefully give you feedback of how we can do better, not just what's wrong.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I would like the Commission to consider an exemption.

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00:15:42.170 --> 00:15:55.089
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: on certain things. Right now, there are no out-of-state doctors that will be recognized by this program. There is a THC cap that is going to be restricted for many very same patients.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And I have concerns about the restriction on products such as an edible product.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So I'm going to talk about an exemption for a patient who seeks, currently, or in the future, care out of state.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: There are many specialties, many rare diseases, that we don't have doctors in Nebraska that can treat

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And so, looking at other states who have implemented these type of exemptions in their program to allow those patients to continue care with the doctors that know them best.

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00:16:26.320 --> 00:16:36.130
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We can't make them re-event the wheel and go to a doctor that knows nothing about them and expect that absolute best care and best conversations that can happen for that patient.

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00:16:36.460 --> 00:16:48.339
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: For the THC cap, an exemption when a patient and a physician have worked together, and there is a set of circumstances in which they need a higher level of THC.

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00:16:49.120 --> 00:16:51.280
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: That has been done in other states as well.

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00:16:51.900 --> 00:17:10.270
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The third one, I think it would be helpful to have clarity about the coding that is allowed or not allowed on these pills. There are many, many patients that are not going to be able to swallow those pills. They can't stomach them. Cancer patients with nausea that are going to immediately throw those up.

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00:17:11.210 --> 00:17:12.750
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: an edible product.

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00:17:14.210 --> 00:17:18.020
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We can make it regulated. We can make it safe.

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00:17:18.180 --> 00:17:21.780
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The idea that this is going to be candy because it's an edible.

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00:17:22.180 --> 00:17:25.499
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: You have the power to regulate to make sure that doesn't happen.

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00:17:26.010 --> 00:17:26.990
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Opaque.

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00:17:27.640 --> 00:17:31.770
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Packaging that does not in any way appeal to children.

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00:17:32.220 --> 00:17:40.820
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: But please think about the children that do need that edible product. And so I'm asking for consideration on the products that we're restricting.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And how we might see them as medicine, keep them as medicine, but still make sure we're providing for patients.

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00:17:48.570 --> 00:17:54.879
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The last thingâ€¦ I'm asking for

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00:17:55.930 --> 00:17:58.459
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The ability for people that have

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00:17:58.680 --> 00:18:04.350
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: worked in this space their whole life. People who have dedicated advocacy Let us help.

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00:18:05.050 --> 00:18:07.930
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I can guarantee two things, I think.

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00:18:08.290 --> 00:18:10.609
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: That we're not going to agree on everything.

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00:18:11.500 --> 00:18:18.589
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: But I think I can almost guarantee that you will walk away more educated, more knowledgeable, and hopefully with a lot more questions.

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00:18:19.360 --> 00:18:22.870
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We want to help. We want to build a program.

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00:18:23.010 --> 00:18:26.860
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: You know we don't like where it's at, we don't like where it's going.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: But let's find some common ground, so that when we look back on the system that we built, we built it together, we built it for the patients.

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00:18:35.650 --> 00:18:38.649
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And it just seems like that's a very win-win situation.

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00:18:39.440 --> 00:18:41.970
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I'm here for anything I would provide.

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00:18:42.120 --> 00:18:52.769
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I have documentation and links and websites and, you know, I've talked to people where these exemptions, have worked, they've been drafted. There is statute

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00:18:52.980 --> 00:18:58.450
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: That was put into a bill in 2025 regarding the out-of-state physician.

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And so there's a lot of framework that's already built. Love to be a resource if I can point you in the right direction. Thank you.

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00:19:06.840 --> 00:19:07.620
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:19:11.980 --> 00:19:12.850
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:19:12.980 --> 00:19:17.330
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: First of all, You asked the questions, here we go.

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00:19:17.560 --> 00:19:22.670
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Do you haveâ€¦ have you written down by any chance the specificâ€¦

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00:19:22.890 --> 00:19:28.119
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Regulations that you want to see either changed or amended.

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00:19:28.240 --> 00:19:31.840
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: dug away with. Do you have a list?

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Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I absolutely do, and I can get those to you immediately. I was going to ask you this last Thursday, but you got away.

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00:19:41.320 --> 00:19:48.160
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Which is probably good for you. You mentioned a couple of specific areas of concern.

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00:19:48.290 --> 00:19:53.259
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I was trying to write it down, and I think I missed at least two of them.

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00:19:53.490 --> 00:19:58.940
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Do you have the specific regulation sites for those as well?

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00:19:59.020 --> 00:20:15.799
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Iâ€¦ anything that you want, I will do my very best to find it and provide it for you. That would help me if I could get those areas of concern, and if you point to specific areas in the regulations where they exist.

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00:20:16.000 --> 00:20:17.150
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:20:18.340 --> 00:20:21.229
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: When we were saying?

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00:20:22.220 --> 00:20:30.609
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Could you addâ€¦ you mentioned that there were some other states that opened some of these exemptions. Maybe links to what they have in place.

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00:20:31.370 --> 00:20:32.070
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yep.

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00:20:37.360 --> 00:20:40.800
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Is it okay if I follow up at the end of the meeting to take aâ€¦ make sure Iâ€¦

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00:20:41.560 --> 00:20:43.990
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Know exactly what you're asking me to send.

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00:20:44.460 --> 00:20:45.220
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes.

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00:20:52.190 --> 00:20:53.929
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anyone else wishes to speak?

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00:20:55.280 --> 00:20:57.940
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We have someoneâ€¦ oh. We have one.

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00:21:06.880 --> 00:21:24.739
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you, everybody, for being here today. My name is Garrett Elting, G-A-R-R-E-T-T, last name Elting, E-L-T-I-N-G. I'm with Maha Motor Cultivation. We had a little setback recently, but pushing forward, we still will have

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00:21:24.750 --> 00:21:28.590
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: A harvest coming up within the next 7 weeks.

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00:21:28.700 --> 00:21:38.700
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And so, we're just kind of looking for any guidance on a pathway for laboratory testing, and then also, if thatâ€¦

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00:21:39.340 --> 00:21:45.330
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Avenue is also what kind of a time frame we're looking at for the laboratory testing.

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00:21:46.840 --> 00:21:51.199
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The longer we hold on to this product, the quicker it degrades.

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00:21:52.400 --> 00:21:56.990
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And so, trying to be able to, have a pathway

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00:21:57.130 --> 00:21:59.329
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Be able to make any sales.

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00:21:59.460 --> 00:22:02.800
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Would not only help the revenue, but also would help,

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00:22:02.930 --> 00:22:06.219
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Trying to get the product moving forward in this process.

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00:22:06.460 --> 00:22:17.559
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So I didn't know if you guys have worked on that. I know I did say something about it last month. We haven't heard anything back yet. I don't know if there was any board progress, as of yet.

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00:22:17.850 --> 00:22:23.609
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Trying to figure out laboratories, pathways, poor laboratories, or timeframes.

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00:22:26.830 --> 00:22:35.739
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: the regulaâ€¦ like, we're in the process of regulations right now, and moving those forward, so that's been our primary, you know, concern moving forward.

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00:22:35.930 --> 00:22:39.149
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I would also just like to note,

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00:22:40.030 --> 00:22:43.879
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: This was something that we discussed with every cultivator about

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00:22:44.000 --> 00:22:49.650
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Can you store this? Because things are not going to probably be available as soon as you're done with harvest.

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00:22:50.080 --> 00:23:03.210
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And every cultivator assured us that they could store product, and that wasn't a problem, and there was no reason to delay planting, because storage was a viable option. Absolutely.

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00:23:03.290 --> 00:23:13.489
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Absolutely. Storage, storage, I feel like, when that was brought forward, it was, a smaller time frame, maybe the 3-6 month time frame, andâ€¦

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00:23:13.970 --> 00:23:23.709
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Are we looking at, likeâ€¦ That wasn't anyâ€¦ that time frame was the number given by this commission. Okay. Sure, sure, I guess that was kind of what, we assumed sinceâ€¦

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00:23:23.940 --> 00:23:30.869

Nebraska Medical Cannabis: That's kind of how fast the different licenses were getting approved, so if they were going to get approved in that time frame, they were hoping to be.

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00:23:30.980 --> 00:23:38.150
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: kind of right in there. We're looking at, like, a year, 18 months, 24 months before we have laboratory testing.

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00:23:39.060 --> 00:23:45.699
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: then, we may be running into a little bit of trouble when it comes to that.

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00:23:46.390 --> 00:23:47.609
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: That's just kind ofâ€¦

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00:23:48.110 --> 00:24:04.840
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: where we were looking at. If it's going to be a really long time frame, then the storage techniques that were previously said, yes, we could do that, those change significantly for us, and the costs would definitely go up, and then theâ€¦

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00:24:05.400 --> 00:24:18.609
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: the longer time frame to revenue also kind ofâ€¦ Yeah. I understand that, but, you know, it wasn't you that was in that chair that assured us that you could store this product for up to 2 years, and that wouldn't be a problem.

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00:24:18.610 --> 00:24:27.239
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay. Yeah, that was the timeframe that was thrown out there that can be stored for up to 2 years, and I understand that it may be great and all of those things.

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00:24:27.590 --> 00:24:28.450
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Butâ€¦

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00:24:29.470 --> 00:24:37.280
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I feel like those were things that possibly you knew, or your owner of the company knew going in.

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00:24:37.580 --> 00:24:53.790
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We never said 3 to 6 months at the commission, because we didn't ever give that to increase. Sure, yeah, no, that's understandable. I guess that was implied byâ€¦ well, we wereâ€¦ we wereâ€¦ that's what ourâ€¦ we were hoping for, I guess, not theâ€¦ necessarily exactly what was said, butâ€¦ Yeah. No, I understand that.

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00:24:55.950 --> 00:24:57.640
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anything else, I guess?

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00:24:57.810 --> 00:25:04.309
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Mr. F2, and for storage. Tell me how it is storage.

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00:25:04.410 --> 00:25:13.600
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: There's a few different techniques that we've kind of looked into. The technique that we are anticipating using is,

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00:25:13.770 --> 00:25:17.269
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Drying it below 7% moisture content.

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00:25:17.730 --> 00:25:30.679
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And then vacuum sealing it, and storing it in a climate-regulated area. So, something that's gonna try and keep it below 65 degrees, optimal temperature would be between 40 and 45 degrees.

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00:25:31.910 --> 00:25:33.740
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yep, it was just,

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00:25:34.130 --> 00:25:38.329
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Kind of like a cold storage, or like a walk-in fridge would work really well.

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00:25:45.330 --> 00:25:47.529
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you guys for tuning. Thank you.

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00:25:50.490 --> 00:25:52.039
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anyone else wishing to speak?

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00:25:56.490 --> 00:25:59.039
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Online? Oops. Great.

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00:26:11.930 --> 00:26:12.910
Angie Cornett: Okay.

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00:26:13.100 --> 00:26:14.929
Angie Cornett: I think I got it there, can you hear me?

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00:26:15.380 --> 00:26:15.920
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Fantastic.

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00:26:16.440 --> 00:26:17.200
Angie Cornett: Okay.

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00:26:17.750 --> 00:26:23.679
Angie Cornett: My name is Angie Cornett, A-N-G-I-E-C-O-R-N-E-T-T.

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00:26:24.670 --> 00:26:28.909
Angie Cornett: I know some of you may not look forward to hearing public comments.

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00:26:29.050 --> 00:26:35.479
Angie Cornett: If it makes you feel any better, I think a lot of the people that show up to comment don't really look forward to it either.

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00:26:37.340 --> 00:26:43.609
Angie Cornett: I would really look forward to the day when we could show up at a meeting to express gratitude.

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00:26:44.410 --> 00:26:48.760
Angie Cornett: To you for creating a regulatory system that allows safe access.

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00:26:50.010 --> 00:27:00.980
Angie Cornett: Instead, two years after we voted to legalize medical cannabis, not a single patient has been able to legally access medical cannabis within our state borders.

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00:27:01.540 --> 00:27:04.690
Angie Cornett: We have been told over and over to be patient.

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00:27:05.450 --> 00:27:09.910
Angie Cornett: While we have watched friends and family members suffer and die.

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00:27:11.240 --> 00:27:24.140
Angie Cornett: Governor Pillen poisoned the Medical Cannabis Commission by appointing known prohibitionists, people who had advocated for years and years against any form of medical cannabis industry in Nebraska.

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00:27:24.990 --> 00:27:28.260
Angie Cornett: And it feels like this committee has taken

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00:27:29.570 --> 00:27:43.380
Angie Cornett: Every opportunity to delay the process, to erect barriers for manufacturers and for patients, and to restrict Nebraskans from being able to access the whole plant medicine they voted for.

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00:27:44.850 --> 00:27:57.439
Angie Cornett: The restrictive regulations you have written do not allow the whole plant access at all. This was specifically outlined in the measure with the knowledge that each patient responds uniquely to cannabis.

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00:27:58.060 --> 00:28:01.380
Angie Cornett: This includes the strains they use, how they respond.

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00:28:01.380 --> 00:28:02.910
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Owners?

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00:28:02.910 --> 00:28:03.310
Angie Cornett: strange.

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00:28:04.320 --> 00:28:05.280
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Mmm.

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00:28:05.280 --> 00:28:17.760
Angie Cornett: Energistic effects components. The administration routes, the dosages, the symptoms being treated, and individual biology. There is no one-size-fits-all scenario.

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00:28:18.120 --> 00:28:22.310
Angie Cornett: We trust doctors and patients to work together to determine

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00:28:22.640 --> 00:28:27.480
Angie Cornett: What therapeutic dosages and what routes of appropriate for each.

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00:28:27.480 --> 00:28:28.000
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: in Japan.

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00:28:30.020 --> 00:28:43.329

Angie Cornett: However, our Attorney General and members of our federal delegation continue to fight rescheduling of cannabis at the federal level because they want to reverse course on the legalization of the cannabis industry, not only in Nebraska.

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00:28:43.540 --> 00:28:45.120
Angie Cornett: But across the nation.

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00:28:46.240 --> 00:28:50.050
Angie Cornett: Pete Rick has claimed that kids would die if medical cannabis was legalized.

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00:28:50.050 --> 00:28:50.730
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: announcing.

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00:28:50.870 --> 00:28:52.610
Angie Cornett: That hasâ€¦ another state.

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00:28:53.450 --> 00:29:00.230
Angie Cornett: Mike Flood has repeatedly said that if we legalized medical cannabis, then everyone would start using it.

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00:29:01.110 --> 00:29:04.689
Angie Cornett: A recent study from the CDC demonstrates that.

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00:29:04.690 --> 00:29:05.120
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: only.

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00:29:05.120 --> 00:29:12.950
Angie Cornett: Even with recreational use expanding in states, teen use of cannabis is at an all-time low.

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00:29:13.840 --> 00:29:18.299
Angie Cornett: People use less pharmaceuticals when medical cannabis is legalized.

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00:29:18.640 --> 00:29:25.390
Angie Cornett: And one thing we know is that Big Pharma is a big donor to a lot of our big politicians.

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00:29:26.050 --> 00:29:30.489
Angie Cornett: And I think therein lies the problem. It's about who makes the money.

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00:29:30.940 --> 00:29:41.389
Angie Cornett: Our politicians are perfectly fine with pharmaceutical companies charging thousands of dollars a month For a cannabis-based seizure medication.

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00:29:41.700 --> 00:29:44.429
Angie Cornett: But they don't want people to have access

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00:29:44.640 --> 00:29:48.570
Angie Cornett: to a plant that God put here on this earth.

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00:29:49.310 --> 00:29:59.860
Angie Cornett: And I have truly believed, at this point, the only way that Nebraskans will ever have access to the whole plant medicine they voted for is by

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00:30:00.330 --> 00:30:05.140
Angie Cornett: New governor, a new attorney general, and a different federal delegation.

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00:30:05.830 --> 00:30:07.380
Angie Cornett: I thank you for your time.

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00:30:12.980 --> 00:30:16.339
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes, we have one more.

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00:30:22.220 --> 00:30:31.160
Angel Marsaglia: Hi, my name is Angelica Marcelia, A-N-G-E-L-I-C-A-M-A-R-S-A-G-L-I-A.

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00:30:31.390 --> 00:30:33.360
Angel Marsaglia: And I wanna say I'mâ€¦

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00:30:33.800 --> 00:30:48.530
Angel Marsaglia: late to the meeting, so I missed the first half, but I did catch the last commenter before Angie, and I heard them state that they want to wait at least 2 years for plant medicine, or to store plant medicine for 2 years.

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00:30:48.660 --> 00:30:53.660
Angel Marsaglia: That would be a waste of product, and a waste of time for all the patients.

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00:30:54.330 --> 00:31:00.639
Angel Marsaglia: No one in any medical cannabis field would store plant medicine for over 2 years.

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00:31:01.370 --> 00:31:05.770
Angel Marsaglia: And I think it's telling to see that people are ready.

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00:31:05.900 --> 00:31:10.350
Angel Marsaglia: They have their plants in the ground, or wherever they're growing them.

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00:31:10.510 --> 00:31:17.020
Angel Marsaglia: And the Commission has shown that they are wanting to push it back, because they're, quote, working on regulations.

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00:31:17.900 --> 00:31:23.810
Angel Marsaglia: the people of Nebraska passed the regulations. We asked for full plant medicine.

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00:31:24.030 --> 00:31:27.419
Angel Marsaglia: And you guys have stripped us of what we voted for.

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00:31:27.830 --> 00:31:35.029
Angel Marsaglia: I would truly ask to see the legislation showing that you guys are legally allowed to change what voters approved.

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00:31:36.080 --> 00:31:49.309
Angel Marsaglia: I wish that you guys could hear us and actually work for us instead of against us. I'm currently healing from hip surgery, so that is why I'm not there in person today, and I'm really out of breath, because I'mâ€¦

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00:31:49.610 --> 00:31:53.379
Angel Marsaglia: Really stressed out, because this pain has been really hard.

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00:31:53.660 --> 00:31:59.110
Angel Marsaglia: And it would be very nice to have some plant medicine to heal my body instead of all of these opiates.

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00:32:00.190 --> 00:32:01.610
Angel Marsaglia: a veryâ€¦

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00:32:01.710 --> 00:32:14.170
Angel Marsaglia: much appreciate you guys stating that you're trying to work for us, but I would really hope to see change in showing that you guys hear us by changing the regulations back to what we voted for.

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00:32:14.350 --> 00:32:15.330
Angel Marsaglia: Thank you.

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00:32:23.170 --> 00:32:24.270
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I don't think so.

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00:32:25.930 --> 00:32:29.499
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We appreciate everyone taking the time to speak today. Thank you.

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00:32:29.870 --> 00:32:33.009
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The next order of business is a public hearing update.

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00:32:33.040 --> 00:32:40.390
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The Commission held a public hearing on October 15th, 2026, to receive public comment on the proposed amendments to

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00:32:40.390 --> 00:32:54.649
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: 238MAC-1. MCC staff is compiling comments received in person and by email, and allowing sufficient time for receipt of mail comments in preparation of the hearing transcript. Staff will present the comments to the Commission for review as soon as practicable.

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00:32:54.660 --> 00:33:02.499
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Depending on the comments received and any revisions to the proposed regulations, additional rulemaking steps, or another public hearing may be necessary.

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00:33:02.520 --> 00:33:17.150
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The Commission is scheduled to consider the rulemaking package at its November 16th, 2026 public meeting. If the Commission votes to adopt the regulations, the rulemaking package will be submitted to the Attorney General's Office for review and follows the Attorney General's approval to the Governor for approval.

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00:33:17.150 --> 00:33:22.710

Nebraska Medical Cannabis: If approved by the governor, the regulations will become effective 5 days after approval, as provided by law.

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00:33:22.790 --> 00:33:38.519
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The public hearing is an important step in continuing to establish a regulatory framework for Nebraska's medical Cannabis program. While the rulemaking process continues, the Commission will operate under the existing regulations, including 6-month license renewals.

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00:33:38.790 --> 00:33:51.619
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I just wanted to thank Commissioner Elworth, for attending the public hearing, and also for those folks, that did attend the public hearing, in part to the process. Commissioner Elworth, did you have anything you wanted to add?

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00:33:52.580 --> 00:34:02.060
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: You touchedâ€¦ the chair touched on it, but Jessica, do you have the scheduleâ€¦ I didn't bring itâ€¦ the schedule for dates?

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00:34:02.290 --> 00:34:09.120
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Oh, rememberâ€¦ proposed changes be important.

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00:34:09.480 --> 00:34:11.329
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: It'll be brought before us.

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00:34:11.449 --> 00:34:17.620
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I'm sorry, when they can be finalized, and then what ends up calendar would be.

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00:34:17.969 --> 00:34:22.369
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: to the doctors, who have that meeting.

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00:34:22.690 --> 00:34:26.579
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I don't have anyâ€¦ I'm sorry, Iâ€¦ that'sâ€¦

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00:34:28.230 --> 00:34:42.739
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We're hoping to have all of that ready to go by December. And then after that, we have talked a little bit about the timeline, and that's why weâ€¦

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00:34:42.889 --> 00:34:46.459
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: early 2027, because it'll then go to the

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00:34:46.610 --> 00:34:50.040
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Attorney General, and again, the Government. Thank you.

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00:34:52.159 --> 00:34:53.319
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:34:53.460 --> 00:34:59.640
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We'll now move to an update on the Commission's ongoing work to implement Nebraska's medical Cannabis program and the steps ahead.

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00:34:59.780 --> 00:35:14.720
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So, moving on to the next item on the agenda is Program Implementation and Operations Update. Once the new regulations have been approved, as described previously, the Commission will open a new manufacturer application period and revised application with the updated requirements.

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00:35:14.780 --> 00:35:33.440
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Applicants who have already applied may amend and resubmit their existing applications or choose to submit new applications. New applicants will also be able to apply during this period. All applications submitted or resubmitted under the new requirements will be reviewed using the selection criteria established in the new regulations.

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00:35:33.950 --> 00:35:52.960
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The Commission will publish instructions explaining how to amend or submit an application, what documentation will be required, and the applicable deadline before the new application period opens. In the meeting, the current manufacturer application period will remain open through December 14, 2026, at 1159 p.m. Central Time.

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00:35:53.020 --> 00:36:12.099
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Applications submitted during this period will remain objective, but they want them to be updated and resubmitted once the new regulations take effect. The current application form and written information are available on our website. The Commission will also continue to communicate with licensees about when fees will begin and how that process will go.

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00:36:14.600 --> 00:36:30.320
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Public education is also an important part of implementing this program. In December, MCC staff will attend the annual

member meeting of the Cannabis Regulators Association, or CAMRA, a national organization focused on education and collaboration of cannabis regulators.

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00:36:30.500 --> 00:36:47.300
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: This will provide opportunities to learn from established regulatory programs, engage with experienced professionals and legislatures, and learn about emerging issues in cannabis regulation. Staff will also have opportunities to learn about the science relevant to medical cannabis, including the endocannabinoid system and laboratory testing.

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00:36:47.310 --> 00:37:00.990
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Additionally, MCC staff will present at the Nebraska Association of County Officials, the NACO conference in December, to help educate county officials statewide about Nebraska's medical Cannabis program and build relationships as more licensees come on board.

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00:37:01.090 --> 00:37:12.870
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We also have some updates on public questions and communication. The Commission now has its own established communication channels, so there is no longer a need to contact the Liver Control Commission regarding FCC inquiries.

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00:37:12.950 --> 00:37:31.470
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We encourage you to either call or email the Commission at mcc.contact at Nebraska.gov. MCC staff reviews all emails and shared them with the commissioners. We understand there is particular interest in patient registration, medical provider requirements, dispensary licensing, and other program details.

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00:37:31.470 --> 00:37:40.230
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Many details are still being developed, and these details will be shared when we've ensured we are consistent with the applicable statutes, regulations, and Commission decisions.

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00:37:40.670 --> 00:37:47.499
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: In the meantime, we encourage everyone to visit our website for official updates, meeting agendas, minutes, and other information available to the public.

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00:37:47.730 --> 00:37:58.950
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Attending Commission meetings and reviewing published agendas and minutes are also ways to follow the work underway and understand the decisions we can consider. We will continue sharing information as it becomes available.

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00:38:00.200 --> 00:38:19.119
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Please also note that the Commission cannot provide legal advice. Applicants, licensees, prospective patients, and medical providers are responsible for understanding and complying with applicable laws, regulations, and licensing requirements. Individuals with questions about their specific legal obligations do wish to consult an attorney.

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00:38:19.920 --> 00:38:29.780
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We will now move to cultivator license renewals. Today, the Commission has three renewals to consider. Mahamoda, Midwest Cultivators Group, and Meadow Rocks Medicinals.

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00:38:30.250 --> 00:38:49.040
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Makamoto submitted its renewal application on September 10th, 2026. Because MCC Legal requested additional time to complete its review before the Commission's September 14th meeting, the Commission granted a grace period through today's meeting. MCC staff recommends approvalâ€¦ approving the renewal. Is there any discussion?

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00:38:52.380 --> 00:39:05.339
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay, so I have a motion, to approve Mahomoda's license renewal from, Major St.hurst, and a second from Commissioner Elbert in discussion.

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00:39:05.970 --> 00:39:07.130
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All complete.

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00:39:08.870 --> 00:39:13.969
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Vanhurst? Yes. Elworth? Yes. Meeting? Yes. Coffey? Yes.

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00:39:14.140 --> 00:39:15.889
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, the motion continues.

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00:39:18.520 --> 00:39:23.320
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Midwest Cultivator's license was also up for renewal on October 13th.

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00:39:23.320 --> 00:39:39.750
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: 2026. During its review, MCC Legal identified potential residency concerns and recommended allowing additional time to address them. Midwest Cultivator operated with, or cooperated, excuse me,

with the review on residency, and MCC staff now recommends approving the renewal.

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00:39:40.210 --> 00:39:41.380
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: discussion.

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00:39:43.830 --> 00:39:55.160
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, we have a motion to approve Midwest Cultivator's license renewal from Senator Sineâ€¦ Senatorâ€¦ Commissioner, excuse me, Steinhardt, and a second from Commissioner Albert.

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00:39:55.290 --> 00:40:05.250
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Anything session? Roll coffee. Sinehurst? Yes. Elwood? Yes. Meeting? Yes. Coffey? Yes. The motion carries.

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00:40:05.600 --> 00:40:25.479
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Also, additionally, Meadowlark Medicinals license was up for renewal on October 13th. During its review, MCC Lingo identified potential residue concerns and recommended allowing additional time to address them. Meadowlark Medicinals cooperated with the review on residency, and MCC staff now recommends approving the renewal. Any discussion?

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00:40:26.570 --> 00:40:37.940
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Second. I have a motion, to approve, Meadow Rock Medicinals renewal license from Commissioner Seinhorst, and a second from Commissioner Elworth.

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00:40:38.350 --> 00:40:39.620
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Any discussion?

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00:40:40.340 --> 00:40:42.710
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: role companies. Signers.

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00:40:42.830 --> 00:40:46.219
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: L-word? Yes. Meeting? Yes. Coffee.

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00:40:46.720 --> 00:40:47.969
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The motion carries.

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00:40:48.590 --> 00:40:57.070

Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The Commission also continues to work with KRL Med regarding zoning concerns. Is there any further discussion regarding cultivators?

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00:41:00.870 --> 00:41:03.109
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: If not, we'll move on to the budget update.

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00:41:03.330 --> 00:41:07.770
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The next item on the agenda is budget and expenditures Update.

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00:41:08.360 --> 00:41:13.929
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And the next item is review of September expenditures. Jessica, can you please give us an update?

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00:41:14.300 --> 00:41:17.830
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes, and there's a copy of it in your binders.

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00:41:18.210 --> 00:41:26.230
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So, September's activity totaled $48,725.73.

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00:41:26.410 --> 00:41:30.750
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And including two charges that were on the Liquor Commission's P-card.

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00:41:31.040 --> 00:41:38.360
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And SOS Temp Services was atâ€¦ was $37,000.

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00:41:38.740 --> 00:41:49.289
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: 453.98 in September, which is 89.38% of its $44,780 mine budgets.

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00:41:49.410 --> 00:42:06.770
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I'm pointing that out because it was much higher than the last month, so we, asked DAS to explain that, and they said that, that staffing has reportedly been behind on billing, so the expense may include charges associated with delayed billing reports.

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00:42:07.550 --> 00:42:27.490
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And then also the commissioner's salaries were $5,769.24 in September, which was also a little bit higher, so I confirmed with DAS, and, it's equal to 3 bi-weekly pay amounts. But let me know if you have more questions.

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00:42:27.980 --> 00:42:30.070
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Or if you have an English, I can.

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00:42:39.010 --> 00:42:49.669
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So Westlaw is a legal research platform that provides access to state and federal statutes, regulations, court decisions, and legal analysis.

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00:42:49.750 --> 00:42:59.019
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The proposed contract from Thomas Reuters is available for the Commission's review. The proposed subscription is listed at $449

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00:42:59.570 --> 00:43:09.560
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: $449.40 per month for the first year, with a 5% annual increase over the 5-year minimum term. The contract identifies access for one attorney.

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00:43:09.560 --> 00:43:21.719
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Based on the pricing schedule, the estimated cost over the 5-year term is approximately $29,798.40 before any applicable additional charges with a 60-month minimum commitment.

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00:43:22.730 --> 00:43:24.720
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Is there any discussion?

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00:43:28.690 --> 00:43:30.190
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: How did this come about?

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00:43:32.400 --> 00:43:35.370
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And we've used Westlaw in the past.

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00:43:35.730 --> 00:43:41.069
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: We have not. Do you want to speak to them, or do youâ€¦

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00:43:41.800 --> 00:43:44.490
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Judge, I can speak to this. Iâ€¦

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00:43:44.650 --> 00:43:54.600
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: have needed to use Westlaw Services and have fortunately had access through the Attorney General's office to some research.

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00:43:54.960 --> 00:44:01.060
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: It would be preferable for the Medical Cannabis Commission to conduct its own research.

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00:44:01.380 --> 00:44:02.250
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: win.

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00:44:02.820 --> 00:44:09.680
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Appropriate, as opposed to relying upon a different state agency to assist In that regard.

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00:44:09.870 --> 00:44:10.660
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So you'reâ€¦

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00:44:13.180 --> 00:44:19.080
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I do believe it would be helpful, Judge, and to be in the best interest of the Commission as well.

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00:44:19.280 --> 00:44:22.560
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I've moved from a coolâ€¦ Second.

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00:44:23.540 --> 00:44:33.010
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, so we have a motion to approve the proposed Westlaw subscription for MCC Illegal from Commissioner Coffey, and a second from Commissioner Hellworth. Any further discussion?

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00:44:34.770 --> 00:44:38.270
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Roll call, please. Steinhurst? Yeah. L-word?

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00:44:38.520 --> 00:44:41.490
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes. Meeting? Yes. Copy. Yes.

346
00:44:42.280 --> 00:44:43.560
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The motion carries.

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00:44:46.080 --> 00:44:51.750
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, the nextâ€¦ Before weâ€¦ Expenses. Payment was $13.

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00:44:52.970 --> 00:44:54.849
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: consulting bill fromâ€¦

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00:44:55.110 --> 00:45:05.779
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Utah is included in the binder. Thisâ€¦ didn't that get paid last month? Yes, it did. That might beâ€¦ I might have not just taken it out. Just wondering. Thank you.

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00:45:06.670 --> 00:45:07.370
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Thank you.

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00:45:08.450 --> 00:45:15.139
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The next item on the agenda is a reminder of the next regularly scheduled commission meeting date and time.

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00:45:15.340 --> 00:45:25.240
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So before we move to the final item, I want to remind everyone that the next regularly scheduled commission meeting will be November 16th, 2026, at 1pm in this room.

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00:45:26.130 --> 00:45:44.340
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: And the final item on today's agenda is consideration of whether the Commission needs to enter into a closed executive session. Is there a motion to go into executive session to discuss matters necessary for the protection of public interest, the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, or because of the anticipation of imminent litigation.

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00:45:44.340 --> 00:45:55.620
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: As permitted under the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. The Commission will take no action during the Executive Session. Any action the Commission wishes to take will be taken in the public meeting after the Executive Session concludes.

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00:45:55.870 --> 00:45:56.750
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Don't know.

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00:45:57.670 --> 00:46:04.790
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I have a motion from Commissioner Coffey. Second. And a second from Commissioner Elwood. Any discussion?

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00:46:06.360 --> 00:46:08.609
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Roll call, please. Sign on.

358
00:46:08.720 --> 00:46:11.950
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: L word? Yes. Meeting? Yes. Copy. Yes.

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00:46:12.330 --> 00:46:27.470
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: The motion carries, and we will go into closed executive session. The time is now 1.46, and we are moving into a closed session for the limited purpose of discussing imminent litigation, and for the protection of public and private interests. We will return as soon as the closed session is included.

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00:46:49.090 --> 00:46:50.940
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Cabacus and, liquid.

361
00:46:51.960 --> 00:46:54.149
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Motion of the back end, closed session.

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00:46:54.860 --> 00:46:57.220
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Come back into regular conditions. Yeah.

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00:47:00.010 --> 00:47:01.649
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Remote nature.

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00:47:15.520 --> 00:47:19.560
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Who would we return to our regular session? Second.

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00:47:19.940 --> 00:47:29.120
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Okay, we have a motion from Commissioner Seinthorst and a second from Commissioner Coffey and Elworth, to come back into regular session.

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00:47:29.440 --> 00:47:31.530
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Roll call, please.

367
00:47:31.720 --> 00:47:34.490
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Hang on, I need to break this thing down.

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00:47:34.890 --> 00:47:36.160
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: 243.

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00:47:39.080 --> 00:47:43.499
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Signhurst? Yes. Elworth? Yes. Meeting? Yes. Copy? Yes.

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00:47:43.870 --> 00:47:51.250
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: All right, it's now 2.43, and the closed session has ended. Is there any action the Commission would like to take as a result of the closed session discussion?

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00:47:51.400 --> 00:47:54.150
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes, there has been anâ€¦

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00:47:54.650 --> 00:48:10.350
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: invitation, offered to conduct an inspection, and I would move that we direct staff to work with them and conduct the inspection that, was offered, and report back to the commissioners of the inspection.

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00:48:11.700 --> 00:48:13.029
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I have a motion.

374
00:48:13.170 --> 00:48:14.000
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Second.

375
00:48:14.270 --> 00:48:17.859
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: From Commissioner Seinhorst, and a second from Commissioner Coffey.

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00:48:18.010 --> 00:48:20.810
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: To conduct an inspection.

377
00:48:21.200 --> 00:48:22.999
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Any further discussion?

378
00:48:24.290 --> 00:48:25.590
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Raw coffins.

379
00:48:38.260 --> 00:48:39.150
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Weekend.

380
00:48:39.620 --> 00:48:40.330
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yeah.

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00:48:40.840 --> 00:48:45.560
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Staff would like an amendment.

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00:48:45.860 --> 00:48:48.370
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: To the motion that has been made.

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00:48:48.730 --> 00:48:49.540
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: 2.

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00:48:49.680 --> 00:48:54.120
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Recurs the infection as a site visit.

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00:48:55.120 --> 00:49:03.080
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So instead of conducting an inspection, we're going to conduct a site visit. I am happy to amend a motion to say such.

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00:49:03.780 --> 00:49:07.580
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: I would move to further amend it to the cadence.

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00:49:07.930 --> 00:49:09.869
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: that I'm requesting a cultivator.

388
00:49:12.150 --> 00:49:13.630
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: No, sir.

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00:49:15.060 --> 00:49:16.570
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Alright, see ya.

390
00:49:17.380 --> 00:49:18.540
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: A motion.

391
00:49:19.490 --> 00:49:20.570
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Amended.

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00:49:20.820 --> 00:49:21.880
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Seconded.

393
00:49:22.200 --> 00:49:26.060
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Roll call, please. Yes. L words?

394
00:49:26.210 --> 00:49:30.070
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Yes. Meeting? Yes. Copy. Yes. The motion carries.

395
00:49:31.250 --> 00:49:34.369
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Next item on the agenda is adjournment.

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00:49:34.520 --> 00:49:36.790
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: So, In a second.

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00:49:37.910 --> 00:49:38.650
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Exactly.

398
00:49:39.300 --> 00:49:49.690
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: A motion from Commissioner Seinhorst to adjourn, a second from Commissioner Coffey. Roll call, please. Yes. Elworth? Yes. Meeting? Yes. Coffey? Yes.

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00:49:50.270 --> 00:49:52.109
Nebraska Medical Cannabis: Motion carries, we are adjourney.