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ROADWAY SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

July 26, 2018

The Roadway Safety Subcommittee meeting was opened at approximately 9:00 AM by Commissioner Thomas Anderson, Chair, with the following in attendance.

Present: Thomas Anderson, Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, Chair; Dr. Trisha Conti, Director of the Vermont Forensic Laboratory; Bill Mapes, Vermont Emergency Medical Services provider; Heather Brochu, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor; Jake Perkinson, Co-Chair of the Governor's Marijuana Advisory Commission; Marie Horbar, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Public Safety, Jolinda LaClair, Director of Drug Abuse Prevention; Craig Bolio, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Taxes; Abby Shepard, Department of Taxes; Kate Strousse, Department of Taxes; Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery.

PowerPoint presentation by Commissioner Anderson, reviewing work of Subcommittee over past year and next steps.

- November 2017 report
- January 2018 recommendations
- December 2018 recommendations and research/data to be updated
- Stakeholders to invite, i.e., WA and/or CO

PowerPoint presentation by Abby Shepard, Dept. of Taxes, Taxation and Regulation Subcommittee

- Update on Taxation and Regulation Subcommittee draft recommendations and options

Discussion Overview:

- Board/Commission; products to regulate; banking and security in other states; control model vs. free market; alcohol example, and models elsewhere; black market
- Diversion prevention; other states
- Licensing
- Medical marijuana
- Local control
- Employers; policies
- Revenue; EMT call-outs; needs of regulating agencies; look at other states



Next steps:

- December 2018 recommendations and updated research/data
- Develop estimates for any increased costs associated with tax/regulation model
- Continue to study impairment threshold issue, including zero tolerance; look at other states and countries

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:45 AM.

