

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE ISSUANCE OF
FEDERAL GUIDELINES TO PROTECT CONSUMERS OF
CANNABIDIOL PRODUCTS**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This concurrent resolution urges the issuance of product quality and safe consumption guidelines for cannabidiol products.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- highlights the absence of federal guidelines addressing product quality and safe consumption for cannabidiol products; and
- urges Congress and the President of the United States to require the United States Food and Drug Administration to issue product quality and safe consumption guidelines for cannabidiol products.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:

WHEREAS, cannabidiol (CBD) is a chemical prevalent in marijuana and hemp;

WHEREAS, the federal Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 removed hemp meaning cannabis, or derivatives of cannabis, with a very low tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) content (not more than 0.3% by dry weight) from the federal Controlled Substances Act definition of



28 marijuana;

29 WHEREAS, cannabidiol does not induce euphoria or reinforcing pleasure effects of
30 tetrahydrocannabinol found in marijuana;

31 WHEREAS, a 2018 World Health Organization report on cannabidiol concluded that
32 "there are no case reports of abuse or dependence relating to the use of pure CBD" and "there is
33 no evidence of recreational use of CBD or any public health-related problems associated with
34 the use of pure CBD";

35 WHEREAS, the 2018 World Health Organization report also cited a human study
36 (Martin-Santos, R., et al., Current Pharmaceutical Design, Volume 18, 2012) that
37 "administered 600 mg of CBD to healthy participants and detected no THC and trace
38 concentrations of THC metabolites";

39 WHEREAS, a substantial market for cannabidiol-formulated drinks, cosmetics, foods,
40 and other products has evolved, even in states that have not legalized medical or recreational
41 cannabis;

42 WHEREAS, cannabidiol-formulated products are sold in major retail chains in the
43 United States;

44 WHEREAS, within the past three years, more than 1,500 cannabidiol products have
45 come to market while the United States Food and Drug Administration has had no clear
46 approach to regulation, including balancing product access and consumer safety;

47 WHEREAS, the United States Food and Drug Administration states that food additives,
48 dietary supplements, and other products containing cannabidiol are illegal under federal law
49 and refuses to issue regulations or guidance to promote product quality and identify safe
50 consumption levels;

51 WHEREAS, the conflict between the United States Food and Drug Administration's
52 policy and the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 has led to a patchwork of cannabidiol
53 regulations by states that has failed to adequately protect consumers' health and increased the
54 complexity of the legal environment the cannabidiol product industry is required to navigate;

55 WHEREAS, the cannabidiol product industry is also hampered by the reticence of
56 banks, insurance companies, and merchant service companies to put their reputations at risk by
57 offering services to an industry threatened with regulatory action by the United States Food and
58 Drug Administration; and

59 WHEREAS, enactment of federal legislation requiring the United States Food and Drug
60 Administration to establish product quality and safe consumption guidelines for cannabidiol
61 would do much to promote the availability and safety of cannabidiol products and generate
62 significant interstate economic activity:

63 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
64 Governor concurring therein, urges the United States Congress and the President of the United
65 States to act quickly to protect American consumers by requiring the United States Food and
66 Drug Administration to issue product quality and safe consumption guidelines for cannabidiol
67 products.

68 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the President
69 and Vice President of the United States, the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the United
70 States Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives,
71 and each member of Utah's congressional delegation.