SEC OUTREACH COMMITTEE <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u> SOCIAL EQUITY APPLICANT (SEA) RESIDENCY AND INCOME VERIFICATION

Per Sec. 35 of Sen Bill No. 1201, the Social Equity Council shall review the ownership information and any other information necessary to confirm that an applicant qualifies as a social equity applicant for all license type applications submitted to the department and designated by the applicant as a social equity applicant. The SEC shall prescribe the documentation necessary for applicants to submit to establish that the ownership, residency, and income requirements for social equity applicants are met. The following documentation is required to establish residency and income:

"SOCIAL EQUITY APPLICANT" is a business that has applied for a license for a cannabis establishment where the applying business is at least 65% owned and controlled by an individual (or individuals) who: Had an average household income of less than 300% of the state medium household income over the three tax years immediately preceding the application, AND

Documents from your employer can give the most up-to-date picture of your income since it takes into account any changes in your wages from the past year.

Proof of Household Income:

Proof of Household Income Requirement (household income includes all members 21 and older)

Proof of Income Letter

Notarized, plus one of the following:

Pay Stubs (3 years)

Last three year's tax returns (1040 EZ or 1040, including all schedules)

Wage and Tax Statement

(W-2) Last three years (originals)

Social Security - Proof of Income Letter

Pension/Retirement Distribution Statement

Record of Account Transcript - combines the tax return and tax account transcripts into one complete transcript. This transcript is available for the current tax year and returns processed during the prior three years using Get Transcript Online or Form 4506-T.

https://www.irs.gov/individuals/transcript-types-and-ways-to-order-them.

Annuity Statements which include the applicant's name

Pension/Retirement Distribution Statement

Court-Ordered Agreements which includes the applicant's name

Unemployment Benefits document which includes the applicant's name

Workers Compensation letter which includes the applicant's name

Other Supporting Documents (i.e., documents noting incarceration)

The Social Equity Council will consider other documents for certain populations.

Proof of Residency:

<u>five</u> out of the <u>ten</u> years preceding the Application Date, OR	no less than <u>nine</u> years prior to turning <u>eighteen.</u>
A CT driver's license or CT ID card and Social Security Card.	
Long-form Birth Certificate which includes the applicant's name	
Mandatory plus one of the following:	
A signed, notarized lease agreement that includes the applicant's name.	School records that include the applicant's name.
Residential property deed that includes the applicant's name.	Housing authority records that include the applicant's name or family name.
Housing authority records that include the applicant's name or family name.	Bank records that include the applicant's name.
Bank records that include the applicant's name.	Utility bills (electric, gas or water), which includes the applicant's name or family name and address.
Utility bills (electric, gas or water), which includes the applicants name or family name.	Dated notices or correspondence from a local or state government entity that includes the applicant's name or family name.
Dated notices or correspondence from a local or state government entity that includes the applicant's name or family name. (i.e., DCF, DSS, DMHAS)	Insurance Policy which includes the applicant's name.
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