## TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES DIVISION 5: BUSINESS REGULATION

## § 53012. Homegrown Marijuana Registry.

- (a) The Commission shall establish a homegrown marijuana registry for all persons who are 21 years of age or older or medical marijuana patients that are authorized to produce, process, keep, or store homegrown marijuana at a household or a cultivation site.
- (b) The Commission shall maintain a record of the homegrown marijuana registry which shall include the names and addresses of registrants, and other pertinent information related to the personal cultivation of homegrown marijuana at a household or a cultivation site.
- (c) The Commission shall provide renewable annual homegrown marijuana registry cards to qualified persons and shall assess an annual registration fee of \$75 per person.
- (d) All information obtained by the Commission regarding the records of the homegrown marijuana registrants shall remain confidential, never be released to the public, and shall only be available to CNMI government agencies charged with carrying out the provisions of this chapter.
- (e) The Commission shall not prohibit nor deny persons aged 21 or older from obtaining a homegrown marijuana registry card. Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, the Commission shall immediately implement a homegrown marijuana registry system upon the effective date of this Act. The absence of homegrown marijuana registry system regulations should not prohibit any person 21 years of age or older from the cultivation of homegrown marijuana, as long as the marijuana is cultivated in accordance with the guidelines defined in this chapter and the person obtains a homegrown marijuana registry card when made available by the Commission.

**Source:** PL 20-66 § 2(112) (Sept. 21, 2018), modified; amended by PL 21-05, § 2(D) (Aug. 21, 2019).

**Commission Comment:** In codifying PL 20-66, the Commission retained the Governor's strikethrough in subsec. (c). For more information on the Governor's exercise of line-item veto authority, see the Governor's signing statement to PL 20-66. The Commission changed "act" to "chapter" in (d); changed "Act" to "chapter" in (e); and inserted a comma after "implement" in (e) pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(g).