Overview: BC’s approach to Cannabis Legalization & Regulation

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Provincial Priorities

- Prioritize public health and safety
- Protect children and youth
- Reduce crime and the illegal market
- Address cannabis – affected driving
- Support economic development
Health Canada Responsibilities

_Cannabis Act_ (Bill C-45)

Licenses and regulates cannabis growing and processing (medical and non-medical) including:
• Cultivation (including micro and standard cultivation or nursery)
• Processing (including micro or standard processing)
• Sale for medical purposes
• Analytical testing
• Research

Regulates:
• All cannabis products including which products are legal for sale
• Product safety and quality requirements
• Product standards including labelling and packaging
• Promotion and display

Authorizes access to medical cannabis including:
• Personal and designated growers
Provincial Legislation

**Cannabis Control & Licensing Act**
- Minimum age, limits on personal possession and cultivation, places of use, retail licensing regime, enforcement authority, offences

**Cannabis Distribution Act**
- Public wholesale distribution model
- Government-run BC Cannabis Stores and online store
Provincial Roles and Responsibilities

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
- Cannabis Legalization and Regulation Secretariat
- Community Safety Unit
- Security Programs Division

Ministry of Attorney General
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch
- Liquor Distribution Branch
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