

## **OCM 2025 Legislative Recommendations: Policy Proposals**

The Office of Cannabis Management (OCM), established in August 2023 following the enactment of HF 100, is charged with implementing the operational and regulatory systems to oversee the adult-use cannabis and medical cannabis industries, and hemp derived cannabinoid programs in Minnesota.

Focused on developing the foundation for a well-regulated, safe, equitable, and sustained cannabis market, OCM has identified opportunities to build consistency and clarity to support an effective implementation of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 342. OCM's recommendations target technical fixes, bring the office into enterprise alignment with Minnesota Statutes, section 10.65, clarify licensure and regulation of lower-potency hemp edibles, clarify application requirements for cannabis business licensure, and strengthen access and protections for medical cannabis patients.

### **SF1730 (Dibble, Klein) - Aligning with State Enterprise: Adding OCM to Minnesota Statutes, section 10.65**

OCM proposes to add the "Office of Cannabis Management" to the definition of "agency" in Minnesota Statutes, section 10.65, Government to Government Relationship with Tribal Governments. As a new state office working to build government-government relationships with the 11 Tribes sharing geography with Minnesota, this change will align OCM with other state agencies and offices and provide clear expectations and best practices to have collaborative relationship with tribal governments in the implementation of cannabis industries across the state.