SENATE No. 86

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to support cannabis equity businesses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	
Manny Cruz	7th Essex	3/4/2025
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	4/8/2025

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 86) of Jason M. Lewis and Manny Cruz for legislation to support cannabis equity businesses by creating a searchable online database of all operational cannabis dispensaries. Cannabis Policy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 2597 OF 2023-2024.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court (2025-2026)

An Act to support cannabis equity businesses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 4 of chapter 94G of the General Laws, is hereby amended by adding the
- 2 following subsections:-
- 3 (m) The cannabis control commission, in consultation with the Massachusetts cannabis
- 4 advisory board, shall create a searchable online database of all operational cannabis dispensaries
- 5 that allows users to search, filter, and identify economic empowerment applicants, social equity
- 6 program participants, disadvantaged business enterprises, unionized organizations, and other
- 7 criteria identified by the commission and advisory board available on the commission's website
- 8 no later than Dec. 31, 2025; provided, however, that:

- 9 (i) the database will allow users to view all medical and adult use retail and delivery operators with a license to commence operations;
 - (ii) the database will allow users to see what cities and towns each delivery operator delivers to;

- (iii) the results provided by the database shall allow users to see a business's plan to positively impact community disparately harmed by the war on drugs, its diversity plan, and its progress toward those plans;
- (iv) the results provided by the database will show what percent of sales by a delivery or retail licensee are from products produced by businesses owned by a majority of social equity program participants or economic empowerment applicants; and
- (v) the results provided by the database will allow users to view all of the owners of the business with the ability to view a record for each owner and see all of the other entities of which they have control;
- (n) The cannabis control commission, in consultation with the Massachusetts cannabis advisory board shall establish criteria for allowing marijuana establishments and medical marijuana treatment centers to satisfy a portion of their positive impact plan requirement for licensure in part by stocking a no less than twenty five percent of their inventory with products produced by businesses owned by a majority of owners who are economic empowerment applicants or social equity program participants.