Marijuana: Revenue Sharing & Local Authority

**Revenue Sharing**
Fund critical public safety, criminal justice and enforcement efforts by sharing a portion of the 75% excise tax on recreational marijuana.

**Local Authority**
Preserve existing local regulatory authority over marijuana related businesses, including the traditional land use, licensing, local taxes and fees, and other regulatory functions local governments perform. In January 2014, the Attorney General issued an opinion reaffirming local authority to regulate marijuana businesses. Since January four superior courts affirmed this opinion.

**Medical vs. Recreational**
Reconcile the unregulated medical and highly-regulated recreational systems.

Cities support regulation that provides clarity to law enforcement and meets the federal mandate for a tightly-regulated marijuana system while preserving patient access.

**Federal Mandate**
Prevent distribution to minors; Keep monies out of criminal hands; Prevent drugged driving and other adverse health consequences.

The Department of Justice will not act against the state’s new law, as long as Washington responds to the department’s mandate to adequately regulate legalized marijuana.

**Education & Prevention**
Commit to keeping communities safe and healthy

Cities need a share of I-502 revenues to support effective education, prevention, and provide public safety and criminal justice.

Over **50%** of the **334** stores will be located in cities