



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

June 19, 2023

To Mille Lacs Band Members and Employees:

Please accept this letter as notice that the Band Assembly is seeking public comments on proposed legislation, available on the Band's Tribal Register, enacting a Cannabis Code within Title 16 – Corporations. This bill will create a Department of Cannabis Regulation within Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures, which will issue business licenses and create policies. The Cannabis Code allows for cultivation, manufacturing, retail, and testing. This bill also amends section 7 of Title 23 regarding possession of cannabis within a vehicle.

This bill is only a draft and will continue to be worked on through the public comment period. The last two weeks of this month, the District Representatives are each having community meetings with this bill as a topic of discussion. Community members are encouraged to submit written comments and attend all meetings to become as informed as possible on this topic.

The public comment period has been set at 22 calendar days. **Therefore, please submit any written comments to legislation@millelacsband.com no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, July 10, 2023. Please use "Cannabis Code" as the subject title.** Band members and employees may also submit written comments in person to the District I legislative office.

The Band Assembly requests that any Band employee submitting public comments state whether said comments are provided in his or her personal capacity or on behalf of a specific department, office, board, entity, or branch.

Sincerely,

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Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Virgil Wind".

Virgil Wind, District I Representative

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wendy Merrill".

Wendy Merrill, District II Representative

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Harry Davis".

Harry Davis, District III Representative