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**TO:** Board Cannabis Committee  
**FROM:** Henry S. Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner *H.S.G.*  
**DATE:** August 29, 2018  
**SUBJECT:** Cannabis Program Resource Augmentations

The Agricultural Commissioner had anticipated that Weights and Measures enforcement would be working primarily in the retail locations. However, under the emergency and proposed regulations, there are no scales at retail but every cultivator and other Cannabis business now needs to be a licensed weighmaster and have sealed scales for all product that enters the track-and-trace system. This means a much larger number of scales must be registered and inspected annually.

This is a significant increase in the anticipated workload. Without additional funding, there will be little to no consumer protection activities in the dispensaries, no inspections of point-of-sale systems (scanners,) quantity control, or product labeling. The Division of Measurement Standards has given us a contract to perform only a small number of weighmaster inspections, and that could be expanded because of the large number of Cannabis weighmasters in the County. Cannabis businesses are requesting much assistance with device selection, and this is critical because inappropriate scales cannot be used. One-third of scales tested are failing because of poor installation or inadequate calibration and require retesting. Only 17% of businesses are in full compliance with all weights and measures requirements.

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