Vermont Industrial Hemp

SEED
Overview

- Existing Seed Law
- Issues
- S.194- Hemp; Seed Standards
Vermont’s Hemp Program
2019 Hemp production by county
Seed Crop
Seed Dealers:

► Must Register with the State
  ➢ Breeding or selling seed
► Nursery License:
  ➢ Selling live plants, starts, or clones
► For more information contact:

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Current Seed Law

- Vermont Statues: Title 6: Agriculture, Chapter 35: Seeds
- Labeling:
  - Name of crop variety(s)
  - Lot number
  - Percent by weight of weed seed, crop seed, and inert materials
  - Percent germination and date tested
  - Contact information for labeler or distributor
- “Stop Sale” issued by Secretary for any violations
- Enforcement: Limited
  - Minimal fines
Issues:

- Feminized seed
  - Many males
- Seed/cultivar purity
  - Wide variety CBD & THC levels for “same” cultivar
- Germination
  - Varied widely
S.194- Hemp; Seed Standards

- Addition to Hemp Rule – References Vermont’s Seeds Rule
- Additions to Labeling:
  - Names of any additional hemp varieties >5% by weight
  - Feminized seed guarantee
  - Origin of seed and whether seed is certified in place of origin
  - Date seed packaged
  - Contact information for whoever labels, sells or distributes hemp seed in the State.
- Enforcement:
  - Higher penalties
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