

FINAL/APPROVED

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHARMACY
MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING TO PLACE CHEMICALS INTO SCHEDULE I**

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive
Henrico, Virginia 23233

CALL TO ORDER: A public hearing was called to order at 9:05 AM.

PRESIDING: **Ling Yuan**, PharmD, Vice Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Shannon Dowdy**, PharmD
Michelle Hoffer, JD
Kelly Hasty Kale, RPh
Larry Kocot, JD
Wendy Nash, PharmD
Derek Webb, PharmD

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Cheri Garvin**, RPh
Kristopher Ratliff, DPh
Patricia Richards-Spruill, RPh

STAFF PRESENT: **Caroline Juran**, RPh, Executive Director, Virginia Board of Pharmacy
Arne Owens, Director, DHP
Erin Barrett, JD, Director of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, DHP
James Rutkowski, JD, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Sorayah Haden, Executive Assistant, Virginia Board of Pharmacy
Beth O'Halloran, Deputy Executive Director, Virginia Board of Pharmacy
Ryan Logan, Deputy Executive Director, Virginia Board of Pharmacy
Ellen Shinaberry, PharmD, Deputy Executive Director, Virginia Board of Pharmacy
Tim Reilly, RPh, Pharmacy Compliance and Pilot Program Manager

QUORUM: With 7 members present, a quorum was established.

Dr. Yuan indicated the public hearing is being held to consider the placement of two chemical compounds into Schedule I in consultation with the Department of Forensic Science (DFS) and in accordance with subsection D of 54.1-3443(D). The following compounds were proposed:

Compounds expected to have depressant properties.

1. **7-Bromo-5-(2-chlorophenyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one (other name: phenazepam)**, its alt, isomers, and salts of isomers whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation.

Compounds classified as a cannabimimetic agent:

1. **Methyl N-[(5-methyl-1H-indazol-3-yl)carbonyl]-3-methyl-valinate (other name: MDMB-5Me-INACA)**, its alt, isomers, and salts of isomers whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemicals designation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:


Robyn Weimer provided public comment on behalf of the Department of Forensic Science indicating the proposed chemicals are a risk to public safety and serve no medical use.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

9:07 AM



Caroline Juran, RPh
Executive Director



DATE: