

Public Safety Subcommittee
North Carolina Advisory Council on Cannabis
August 12, 2026, 2:00-3:00pm
Virtual via Teams

Co-Chairs

Colonel Freddy Johnson, Commander, North Carolina State Highway Patrol
Sheriff Keith Stone, North Carolina Sheriffs' Association

Agenda

1. Welcome and Meeting Purpose	2:00-2:05 PM
2. Introductions	2:05-2:10 PM
3. Discussion of Policy Priorities	2:10-2:25 PM
4. Committee Expectations	2:25-2:35 PM
5. Planning the Remaining Meetings	2:35-2:55 PM
A. Guest Speakers	
6. Other Business and Next Steps	2:55-3:00 PM

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Purpose Statement

The Public Safety Subcommittee will review public safety considerations related to cannabis regulation and develop recommendations to support implementation, strengthen enforcement efforts, and promote coordination among local, state, and federal partners.

Policy Priorities

- Enforcement of laws against impaired driving and public consumption
- Field sobriety testing; oral fluid testing
- Tools for law enforcement
- Disrupting the illicit market
- Training (police officers, ALE, prosecutors, judges, ARIDE, DRE)
- Forensic Testing
- Public education and strategies to reduce driving while impaired