Cannabis Policy 2024 SCORECARD

This scorecard analyzes local cannabis ordinances **passed prior to January 1, 2024**, in each California city or county that legalized storefront retail sales, to assess policies in effect going into 2023. It evaluates to what extent potential **best practices were adopted to protect youth, reduce problem cannabis use and promote social equity** beyond those already in state law. Scores fall into six public health and equity focused categories for a total maximum of 100 points.



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		Policy Adopte Beyond State		No Policy Adopted Beyond State Law			Weaker than State Law		
RETAILER REQUIREMENTS		TAXES & PRICES		PRODUCT LIMITS	MARKETING		SMOKE-FREE AIR	EQUITY & CONFLICTS OF INTEREST	
Limit # of retailers (max. 10 pts)	2	Local retail tax (6 pts)	6	Limit high potency O products (max. 6 pts)	Limit billboards 0 (max. 6 pts)	•	Prohibit temporary 5 event permits (5 pts)	Licensing priority for equity 0 applicants (3 pts)	
Require distance >600 ft. from schools (5 pts)	0	Revenue dedicated to youth, prevention or equity (max. 6 pts)	0	END THE CANNABIS KIDS MENU	Prominent health warnings on O ads (4 pts)		Prohibit on-site 3 consumption (3 pts)	Equity in hiring 3 requirements (3 pts)	
Require distance between retailers (2 pts)	2	Tax by THC content (5 pts)	0	No flavored products for combustion or 0 inhalation (max. 5 pts)	Limit therapeutic or health claims (3 pts)			Cost deferrals for equity 0 applicants (1 pt)	
Other location restrictions (max. 3 pts)	3	Prohibit discounting (2 pts)	0	No cannabis- infused 0 beverages (4 pts)	Business signage 3 restrictions 3 (3 pts)	;		No prescriber on retail premises or 1 in ownership (max. 2 pts)	
Health warnings posted in store or handed out (max. 8 pts)	0	Minimum price (1 pt)	0	Limit other products/ packaging 0 attractive to youth (2 pts)	Limit marketing attractive to O youth (2 pts)				
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Getting it Right TOTAL SCORE = 28									

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