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Governor Kristi Noem  
Office of the Governor  
500 E Capitol Ave  
Pierre, SD 57501

John McCullough, Director  
Legislative Research Council  
500 E. Capitol Ave  
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: SD 2024 Hemp Report

Dear Governor Noem and Mr. McCullough:

Pursuant to SDCL 38-35-19 here is the Hemp Report for 2024. The Attorney General's Statistical Analysis Center surveyed law enforcement in November 2024, concerning the effect of legalizing industrial hemp. There were two reported violations by Law enforcement of the industrial hemp laws.

1. A Washington woman was found to be high from vaping CBD on the top deck of a Sturgis hotel. She was charged with Ingestion, Possession of Marijuana, and Smoking of Industrial Hemp. The Defendant received a suspended imposition of sentence on the Possession of Marijuana and Use of Industrial Hemp charges.
2. A Wakonda, SD, resident was growing marijuana in the city limits. The grower thought he was growing industrial hemp but was unlicensed to do so. Law Enforcement followed up the next day and found that the grower had destroyed all plants, and no citation was issued.

Please contact me if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marty J. Jackley".

Marty J. Jackley  
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MJJ/dd