



Independent Review Panel



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Introduction

- Created by statute: Health & Safety Code, Section 57014
 - Statute effective date: June 24, 2015
 - Subject to Bagley Keene Open Meeting Laws



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The Panel

- The Independent Review Panel is comprised of 3 members:
 - Panelist with scientific experience related to toxic materials (appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly)
 - Panelist who is a community representative (appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules)
 - Panelist who is a local government management expert (appointed by the Governor)

[ref: HSC §57014(b)]



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The Panel Members

- Dr. Arezoo Campbell
- Mr. Gideon Kracov, J.D.
- Mr. Mike Vizzier



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What is the Purpose of the Panel?

- The Independent Review Panel was established to:
 - Review and make recommendations regarding improvements to the department's permitting, enforcement, public outreach, and fiscal management.

[ref: HSC §57014(a)]



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Reporting Requirements

- The Independent Review Panel is required to:
 - Report to the Governor and the Legislature 90 days after the Panel is initially appointed and every 90 days thereafter
 - Report on DTSC's progress in:
 - Reducing permitting and enforcement backlogs
 - Improving public outreach
 - Improving fiscal management

[ref: HSC §57014(f)]



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Panel Recommendations

- The Panel is required to submit recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor:
 - At the time of the submission of the Governor's 2016-17 annual budget to the Legislature
 - At the time of each submission of the Governor's annual budget thereafter

[ref: HSC §57014(h)]



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