124E.19 Background investigations.

1. The division of criminal investigation of the department of public safety shall conduct thorough background investigations for the purposes of licensing medical cannabidiol manufacturers and medical cannabidiol dispensaries under this chapter. The results of any background investigation conducted pursuant to this section shall be presented to the department.

a. An applicant for a medical cannabidiol manufacturer license or a medical cannabidiol dispensary license and their owners, investors, and employees shall submit all required information on a form prescribed by the department of public safety.

b. The department shall charge an applicant for a medical cannabidiol manufacturer license or a medical cannabidiol dispensary license a fee determined by the department of public safety and adopted by the department by rule to defray the costs associated with background investigations conducted pursuant to the requirements of this section. The fee shall be in addition to any other fees charged by the department. The fee may be retained by the department of public safety and shall be considered repayment receipts as defined in section 8.2.

2. The department shall require an applicant for a medical cannabidiol manufacturer license or a medical cannabidiol dispensary license, their owners and investors, and applicants for employment at a medical cannabidiol manufacturer or medical cannabidiol dispensary to submit fingerprints and other required identifying information to the department on a form prescribed by the department of public safety. The department shall submit the fingerprint cards and other identifying information to the division of criminal investigation of the department of public safety for submission to the federal bureau of investigation for the purpose of conducting a national criminal history record check. The department may require employees and contractors involved in carrying out a background investigation to submit fingerprints and other identifying information for the same purpose.

3. The department may enter into a chapter 28E agreement with the department of public safety to meet the requirements of this section.

4. An applicant for a medical cannabidiol manufacturer license or a medical cannabidiol dispensary license shall submit information and fees required by this section at the time of application.

5. The results of background investigations conducted pursuant to this section shall not be considered public records under chapter 22.

2018 Acts, ch 1165, §125, 126 Referred to in §124E.7, 124E.9