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TITLE 24. GOVERNMENT - STATE: PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENTS  
ARTICLE 33.5. PUBLIC SAFETY  
PART 5. DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
C.R.S. 24-33.5-516 (2017)

**C.R.S. 24-33.5-516. Study of Marijuana Implementation.**

(1) The division shall gather data and undertake or contract for a scientific study of law enforcement's activity related to the implementation of section 16 of article XVIII of the state constitution over the two-year period beginning January 1, 2006, and over the two-year period beginning January 1, 2014, and each two-year period thereafter. The studies conducted after July 1, 2016, may include relevant comparisons to law enforcement's activity before the legalized sale of retail marijuana.

(2) To be included in the study, the division or contractor must have data for each of the two-year periods described in subsection (1) of this section. The study must include information concerning:

- (a) Marijuana-initiated contacts by law enforcement, broken down by judicial district and by race and ethnicity, to the extent available, and the feasibility of collecting data regarding marijuana-initiated contacts by law enforcement, including a description of efforts being made by local law enforcement to establish consistent definitions and any proposals for a system of reporting such data to the division;
- (b) Comprehensive school data, both statewide and by individual school, including suspensions, expulsions, and police referrals related to drug use and sales, broken down by specific drug categories;
- (c) Marijuana arrest data, including amounts of marijuana with each arrest, broken down by judicial district and by race and ethnicity;
- (d) Traffic accidents, including fatalities and serious injuries related to being under the influence of marijuana;
- (e) Diversion of marijuana to persons under twenty-one years of age;
- (f) Diversion of marijuana out of Colorado;
- (g) Crime occurring in and relating to the operation of marijuana establishments;
- (h) Utilization of parcel services for the transfer of marijuana;
- (i) Data related to drug-endangered children, specifically for marijuana;
- (j) Probation data;
- (k) Data on emergency room visits related to the use of marijuana and the outcomes of those visits, including information from Colorado poison control center;
- (l) Outdoor marijuana cultivation facilities;
- (m) Money laundering relating to both licensed and unlicensed marijuana; and

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(n) The role of organized crime in marijuana.

(3) The division is not required to perform the duties required by this section until the marijuana cash fund, created in section 12-43.3-501, C.R.S., has received sufficient revenue to fully fund the appropriations made to the department of revenue related to articles 43.3 and 43.4 of title 12, C.R.S., and the general assembly has appropriated sufficient moneys from the fund for such duties.

(4) The division shall issue a report of each scientific study and provide it to the judiciary committees of the senate and house of representatives, or any successor committees, the joint budget committee, and the department of revenue and shall post a copy on the division's website.

**HISTORY:** Source: L. 2013: Entire section added, (SB 13-283), ch. 332, p. 1893, § 9, effective May 28. L. 2016: (1) and IP(2) amended and (4) added, (SB 16-191), ch. 214, p. 826, § 3, effective July 1; (1) and (2)(a) amended, (SB 16-041), ch. 220, p. 837, § 1, effective August 10.

Editor's note: Amendments to subsection (1) by SB 16-191 and SB 16-041 were harmonized.