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SUMMARY

Adjusts references in findings section of chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to marijuana; amending section 1, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 1, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015, is amended to read:

5 Sec. 1. (1) The People of the State of Oregon declare that the purposes
6 of sections 3 to 70, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015, [this Act] are:

(a) To eliminate the problems caused by the prohibition and uncontrolled
manufacture, delivery[,] and possession of marijuana within this state;

9 (b) To protect the safety, welfare, health[,] and peace of the people of this 10 state by prioritizing the state's limited law enforcement resources in the 11 most effective, consistent[,] and rational way;

(c) To permit persons licensed, controlled, regulated[,] and taxed by this
state to legally manufacture and sell marijuana to persons 21 years of age
and older, subject to the provisions of sections 3 to 70, chapter 1, Oregon
Laws 2015 [this Act];

(d) To ensure that the State Department of Agriculture issues industrial
 hemp licenses and agricultural hemp seed production permits in accordance
 with existing state law; and

(e) To establish a comprehensive regulatory framework concerning20 marijuana under existing state law.

(2) The People of the State of Oregon intend that the provisions of
sections 3 to 70, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015 [this Act], together with the

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 other provisions of existing state law, will:

(a) Prevent the distribution of marijuana to persons under 21 years of age;
(b) Prevent revenue from the sale of marijuana from going to criminal

4 enterprises, gangs[,] and cartels;

5 (c) Prevent the diversion of marijuana from this state to other states;

6 (d) Prevent marijuana activity that is legal under state law from being 7 used as a cover or pretext for the trafficking of other illegal drugs or other 8 illegal activity;

9 (e) Prevent violence and the use of firearms in the cultivation and dis-10 tribution of marijuana;

(f) Prevent drugged driving and the exacerbation of other adverse public
health consequences associated with the use of marijuana;

(g) Prevent the growing of marijuana on public lands and the attendant
 public safety and environmental dangers posed by marijuana production on
 public lands; and

16 (h) Prevent the possession and use of marijuana on federal property.

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