Analysis

Oregon Liquor Control Commission

Fee Ratification

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Request: Ratify fees adopted by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission for medically designated canopy registration and hemp.

Analysis: ORS 291.055 requires the Legislative Assembly to ratify any new state agency fees or fee increases that were approved by the Department of Administrative Services and implemented administratively during the interim.

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission is requesting the ratification of fees adopted by the agency on December 18. 2017 with an effective date of December 28, 2017. The fees were approved by the Department of Administrative Services on January 8, 2018.

One of the fees was established due to new agency regulatory responsibilities under SB 1057, allowing recreational marijuana growers to increase the size of their allowable canopy for medical marijuana patients. The other fee is for registration of hemp producers under SB 1015, allowing hemp products to be brought into recreational retailers, tested and sold. The specific fees are as follows:

Medically Designated Canopy Registration:\$100 annuallyHemp Certificate:\$500 annually

The agency is projecting \$26,000 in combined revenue for 2017-19 and \$52,000 for the 2019-21 biennium.

Recommendation: The Legislative Fiscal Office recommends that fees established by the Orgon Liquor Control Commission be included in the fee ratification bill.