

House Bill 3211

Sponsored by Representative HELM, Senator PROZANSKI; Representatives FAHEY, WILSON

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs State Department of Agriculture to advance design of cannabis business certification program. Directs Oregon Liquor Control Commission to allocate moneys from Marijuana Control and Regulation Fund to department for purposes of cannabis business certification program.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to a cannabis business certification program; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "cannabis" includes hemp and marijuana.**

5 **(2) The State Department of Agriculture shall advance the design of standards and iden-**
6 **tification of pilot sites for the implementation of a cannabis business certification program.**

7 **(3) The cannabis business certification program must:**

8 **(a) Promote market-based approaches that create incentives for cannabis business oper-**
9 **ations to use low-carbon cultivation techniques that use energy and water efficiently; and**

10 **(b) Address energy, environmental and natural resource issues associated with cannabis**
11 **business operations, including electrical grid disruption, water consumption, air quality and**
12 **light, noise and odor pollution.**

13 **(4) The department may contract with a third-party nonprofit organization that has**
14 **technical expertise in the measurement of and best practices associated with energy and**
15 **water usage in cannabis businesses.**

16 **SECTION 2. The Oregon Liquor Control Commission shall allocate to the State Depart-**
17 **ment of Agriculture, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the Marijuana Control**
18 **and Regulation Fund established under ORS 475B.296, the amount of \$300,000 for the pur-**
19 **poses described in section 1 of this 2019 Act.**

20 **SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
21 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
22 **July 1, 2019.**

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