

SB 1556 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) to utilize commercial data in its possession and to generate by selling or licensing the use of, or access to, such data. Requires revenue be deposited in designated fund to self-sustain related operations. Authorizes OLCC to contract for services related to data capture or compilation, and for further use of data in systems, processes, or models developed from it. Deems information produced as a result of capture or compilation is proprietary. Requires OLCC to maintain anonymity of data sources. Authorizes corresponding rulemaking. Authorizes OLCC to negotiate certain distilled liquor prices directly with Indian tribes and commercial airlines. Takes effect 91st day following adjournment *sine die*.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Effect of Amendment

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Eliminates language that creates a new account for proceeds of data and report sales and access, and directs revenue associated with alcohol information to be deposited into the Oregon Liquor Control Fund (from which distributions to the wine board, mental health, General Fund, cities and counties occur), and directs revenue associated with sales of cannabis information to be directed to the marijuana control and regulation fund, from which OLCC funds regulatory expenses related to cannabis.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) is responsible for enforcing Oregon's Bottle Bill, as well as regulating alcoholic beverage sales and recreational marijuana, from production through processing, transport, and sale. The OLCC also regulates medical products sold through retail marijuana stores to medical marijuana cardholders. Alcohol and recreational marijuana are strictly regulated industries that generate significant revenue. Regulated persons and entities are subject to intensive data collection, reporting, and investigation.

Senate Bill 1556 allows the OLCC to utilize commercial information it collects and to generate revenue by selling or licensing the use of, or access to, that information. The bill also allows OLCC to enter into price negotiations with commercial airlines or tribes in certain circumstances.