

HB 2445 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Enacts explicit sunset to the exemption of medical marijuana registry identification cardholder or primary caregiver from the tax imposed on the retail sale of marijuana items. Applies exemption to the retail sales of marijuana items occurring on or after January 1, 2016 and before January 1, 2028.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Implicit and explicit impacts
- relative Amounts
- Intended purpose of exemption
- History and background

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 475B.707 exempts a designated primary caregiver or registry identification cardholder of the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program from a tax imposed upon the retail sale of marijuana items. This exemption is likely to sunset under the implicit 6 year sunset process, However, this measure enacts an explicit sunset date to the exemption of medical marijuana from the tax imposed on the retail sale of marijuana items. The measure aligns the elimination of the tax exemption to a six year cycle, starting on January 1, 2022 and ending on January 1, 2028.