

## SB 558 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### Senate Committee On Judiciary

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure permits marijuana licensees to provide samples of marijuana items to other licensees or marijuana workers.

#### Detailed Summary

- Permits marijuana licensees to provide samples of marijuana items to other licensees or marijuana workers at trade shows and temporary events registered with the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC).
- Allows a licensed wholesaler to sell or transfer items to licensed marijuana retailers at the events.
- Allows licensed marijuana producers to provide seeds and samples of immature plants to permitted workers.
- Places caps on sample amounts that may be given to workers.
- Authorizes the OLCC to adopt rules requiring tracking of sample transfers.
- Removes the requirement that two or more marijuana producers must have common ownership, to transfer usable marijuana between each other.
- Makes provisions regarding marijuana samples operative Jan. 1, 2026.
- Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

#### BACKGROUND:

Ballot Measure 91 (2014) legalized marijuana production, sale and possession in Oregon, and assigned the Oregon Liquor and Control Commission and the Oregon Department of Agriculture related regulatory powers and duties. Ballot Measure 91 also established a tax on marijuana sales. Sales generated approximately \$114 million in [tax revenue](#) in 2024. As the industry and market mature, various updates to the applicable laws are proposed to further facilitate production, processing, wholesaling, and retailing of cannabis and cannabis-derived products.