78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Joint Committee on Implementing Measure 91

MEASURE: SB 844-6 CARRIER:

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action:	
Vote:	
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Meeting Dates:	3/23, 3/25, 4/1, 4/13, 4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires premises licensed by Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) to only receive marijuana products from other OLCC licensed businesses.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Bonding and liability insurance
- OLCC's process for background checks
- Definitions relating to topicals infused with marijuana
- Age verification equipment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: (-6 amendment) Replaces measure. Requires medical marijuana registry identification cardholders (cardholders), medical marijuana growers (growers), medical marijuana processors (processors) and medical marijuana dispensaries (dispensaries) be registered with Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Provides exemptions for licensing. Describes OHA licensing process for cardholders, growers, processors and dispensaries. Requires Oregon residency to receive registry identification card. Requires at least four years of Oregon residency for growers, processors and dispensary owners if registered with OHA after January 1, 2015. Limits grower to 24 mature plants if grow site is within city limits and in location zoned for residential use or 96 mature plants if grow site is not in previously described area, so long as grow site was registered with OHA prior to January 1, 2015. Limits grower to 12 mature plants if grow site is within city limits and in location zoned for residential use or 48 mature plants if grow site is not in previously described area if grower registers grow site after January 1, 2015. Requires grower to reduce plant count if specific events occur. Establishes tracking system for growers, processors and dispensaries. Allows cardholder to reimburse person responsible for grow site for all costs associated with production of marijuana. Requires OHA to establish by rule public health and safety standards for processor of cannabinoid edibles, concentrates and extracts. Requires processor producing cannabinoid edibles to be licensed by Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA). Allows local governments to enact reasonable regulations on grow sites, processing sites and dispensaries. Allows dispensary to remain at current location if school is established within 1,000 feet of dispensary. Prohibits local governments from taxing marijuana. Requires all marijuana items transferred or sold to be tested and adequately packaged and labeled prior to sale or transfer. Exempts from testing, packaging and labeling requirement marijuana items transferred between grow sites, cardholders and primary caregivers. Requires OHA to establish rules for licensing and accrediting testing lab. Requires OHA, in consultation with Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) and ODA, to establish standards for testing marijuana items. Requires OHA, in consultation with OLCC and ODA, to establish standards for packaging and labeling marijuana items. Allows OHA to work with ODA and OLCC to implement and enforce provisions. Allows OHA, ODA, and OLCC to possess, seize or dispose of marijuana as necessary to implement and enforce provisions. Allows OHA to impose civil penalty for violations not exceeding \$500 per day. Establishes March 1, 2016 as operative date for specified parts of measure. Defines terms. Declares emergency, effective on passage. **BACKGROUND:** Measure 91 was passed by Oregon voters in 2014. Measure 91 allowed the sale, regulation and taxation of marijuana into a recreational market for people over 21 years of age. It further allows premises to be licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) to grow, process, wholesale, or conduct retail sales of marijuana.

Senate Bill 844 specifies that businesses licensed by OLCC may only receive marijuana products from other business premises licensed by OLCC.