

# House Bill 3207

Sponsored by JOINT COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTING MEASURE 91

## 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**.

Adjusts references in findings section of chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015.

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to marijuana; amending section 1, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015.

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

**SECTION 1.** Section 1, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015, is amended to read:

**Sec. 1.** (1) The People of the State of Oregon declare that the purposes of **sections 3 to 70, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015**, [*this Act*] are:

(a) To eliminate the problems caused by the prohibition and uncontrolled manufacture, delivery[,] and possession of marijuana within this state;

(b) To protect the safety, welfare, health[,] and peace of the people of this state by prioritizing the state's limited law enforcement resources in the most effective, consistent[,] and rational way;

(c) To permit persons licensed, controlled, regulated[,] and taxed by this state to legally manufacture and sell marijuana to persons 21 years of age and older, subject to the provisions of **sections 3 to 70, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015** [*this Act*];

(d) To ensure that the State Department of Agriculture issues industrial hemp licenses and agricultural hemp seed production permits in accordance with existing state law; and

(e) To establish a comprehensive regulatory framework concerning marijuana under existing state law.

(2) The People of the State of Oregon intend that the provisions of **sections 3 to 70, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2015** [*this Act*], together with the other provisions of existing state law, will:

(a) Prevent the distribution of marijuana to persons under 21 years of age;

(b) Prevent revenue from the sale of marijuana from going to criminal enterprises, gangs[,] and cartels;

(c) Prevent the diversion of marijuana from this state to other states;

(d) Prevent marijuana activity that is legal under state law from being used as a cover or pretext for the trafficking of other illegal drugs or other illegal activity;

(e) Prevent violence and the use of firearms in the cultivation and distribution of marijuana;

(f) Prevent drugged driving and the exacerbation of other adverse public health consequences associated with the use of marijuana;

(g) Prevent the growing of marijuana on public lands and the attendant public safety and environmental dangers posed by marijuana production on public lands; and

(h) Prevent the possession and use of marijuana on federal property.

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.