78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2016 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 1598-1 PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER:

Joint Committee on Marijuana Legalization

REVENUE: May have a revenue impact, statement not yet issued FISCAL: May have a fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action: Vote:

Yeas: Nays: Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Removes requirement that person responsible for marijuana grow site applying for OLCC licensure to get land use compatibility statement if that grow site is outside of city limits, registered with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) prior to January 1, 2015, and is applying for a marijuana grow canopy of 5,000 square feet or less if growing outside or 1,250 square feet or less if growing inside. Declares marijuana as a farm crop for Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) licensed marijuana growers and those person responsible for a marijuana grow site registered with OHA prior to January 1, 2015. Adds setback ordinances for opaque farm buildings to list of reasonable regulations local governments can impose. Provides for expungement of marijuana-related crimes if penalty for crime has been reduced to penalty for which crime may be expunged. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: (-1 amendment) Specifies if legal entity is applying for OLCC licensure as a marijuana business, OLCC may require persons associated with that legal entity to provide fingerprints.

BACKGROUND: Under current Oregon law, all applicants seeking an OLCC marijuana producers license must get a land use compatibility statement from their local government prior to being awarded a license.

Senate Bill 1598 removes that requirement for small scale marijuana producers growing outside city limits who were registered with OHA prior to January 1, 2015.