

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 1544

Relating to marijuana

SB 1544 makes a number of changes to marijuana regulations, including labeling and packaging standards. The bill clarifies which medical marijuana growers are required to use the cannabis tracking system. The bill also creates the Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement grant program within the Criminal Justice Commission, to assist cities and counties with costs for law enforcement efforts against illegal grows and distribution.

The measure is expected to result in an additional 378 medical marijuana growers subject to the requirement to use the cannabis tracking system, driving a need for three additional positions at the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. The Subcommittee recommends three positions and \$600,693 Other Funds expenditure limitation for the OLCC. One position and \$1.5 million Other Funds expenditure limitation is recommended for the Criminal Justice Commission to administer the grant program.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends SB 1544 be amended by the –A23 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.