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SUMMARY

Directs Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Liquor Control Commission, State Department of Agriculture and Governor's office to develop plan to address issues related to regulatory authority over marijuana. Requires plan to be submitted to interim committees of Legislative Assembly.

Sunsets January 2, 2021.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to regulatory authority over marijuana; and declaring an emergency.

Whereas the Oregon Cannabis Commission is tasked with determining a possible framework for the future governance of the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program; and

Whereas the commission identified as a barrier that current regulation of cannabis by multiple state agencies with different mandates causes confusion and task duplication and does not provide Oregon with centralized oversight of cannabis; and

Whereas the commission recommends that the Legislative Assembly, in coordination with the commission and other agencies, explore alternate forms of governance over cannabis, such as consolidating governance under a single body, which will require a detailed examination of the costs and benefits of the restructuring of the programs and how to implement such a change; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Liquor Con-

1 **trol Commission, State Department of Agriculture and office of the**
2 **Governor shall collaborate to develop a plan to address the adminis-**
3 **trative burden and cost of regulation of marijuana in this state. At a**
4 **minimum, the plan must:**

5 **(a) Recommend the appropriate regulatory authority over the**
6 **Oregon Medical Marijuana Program;**

7 **(b) Detail consolidation of administrative functions related to the**
8 **regulation of marijuana;**

9 **(c) Determine methods to reduce administrative costs while ensur-**
10 **ing the necessary funding for the continued maintenance and opera-**
11 **tion of any systems and programs related to marijuana;**

12 **(d) Ensure the efficacy of the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program;**

13 **(e) Establish a state marijuana reference laboratory;**

14 **(f) Support social equity as related to marijuana; and**

15 **(g) Detail changes to state law that would be necessary if the plan**
16 **is implemented.**

17 **(2) The authority, commission, department and office of the Gov-**
18 **ernor shall submit the plan to the interim committees of the Legisla-**
19 **tive Assembly related to economic development and marijuana not**
20 **later than December 31, 2020.**

21 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2020 Act is repealed on January 2, 2021.**

22 **SECTION 3. This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-**
23 **ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-**
24 **clared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect on its passage.**