House Bill 4156

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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.

Directs State Department of Agriculture to advance design of cannabis business certification program. Directs Oregon Liquor Control Commission to allocate moneys from Marijuana Control and Regulation Fund to department for purposes of cannabis business certification program.

Takes effect July 1, 2020.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to cannabis business practices; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “cannabis” includes hemp and marijuana.

(2) The State Department of Agriculture shall advance the design of standards and identification of pilot sites for the implementation of a cannabis business certification program.

(3) The cannabis business certification program must promote market-based approaches that create incentives for cannabis business operations to use low-carbon cultivation techniques that use energy and water efficiently.

(4) The department may contract with a third-party nonprofit organization that has technical expertise in the measurement of and best practices associated with energy and water usage in cannabis businesses.

SECTION 2. The Oregon Liquor Control Commission shall allocate to the State Department of Agriculture, for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, out of the Marijuana Control and Regulation Fund established under ORS 475B.296, the amount of $300,000 for the purposes described in section 1 of this 2020 Act.

SECTION 3. This 2020 Act takes effect on July 1, 2020.

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.