

HB 2263 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On General Government

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to study recreational tracking system and tracking requirements in the state. Requires commission to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2021. Sunsets provisions on January 2, 2022. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Prohibits the Oregon Liquor Control Commission from requiring the use of individual plant tags for purposes of marijuana tracking. Authorizes a licensed marijuana producer or marijuana processor to establish an internal inventory tracking system to track the propagation or production of marijuana by batch. Defines 'batch' of marijuana or cannabinoid product.

BACKGROUND:

In implementing Ballot Measure 91 (2014), the Legislative Assembly added an explicit statutory requirement for the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) to create a "seed-to-sale" tracking system as part of the state's regulatory and enforcement system. Oregon law enacted in 2015 required the OLCC to develop and maintain a marijuana tracking system to prevent diversion, prevent substitution or tampering, ensure accurate product accounting, ensure accurate reporting of laboratory results, and ensure compliance with licensing requirements. The system is required to track the propagation, production, processing, receiving, storing, delivering, sale, purchase, and transfer of marijuana items by all recreational licensees.

Statutory changes made in 2017 added medical grow sites for three or more registry identification cardholders; marijuana processing sites; and medical marijuana dispensaries to the OLCC tracking system and its requirements for the purpose of tracking the propagation, production, processing, and transfer of medical marijuana items.

House Bill 2263 directs the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to study the recreational marijuana tracking system and tracking requirements in the state, and provide a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2021.