HB 2015 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Revenue

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Meeting Dates: 3/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases maximum percentage of tax that governing body of city or county may impose on sale of marijuana items.

Applies to marijuana items sold on or after January 1, 2022. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

HB 2041 of the 2015 session changed the tax approved by Measure-91 (Marijuana legalization in 2014) from a harvest tax of (\$35/Oz) levied on producers to a point of sale tax (17%) on retailers. HB 2041 also allowed for local governments that choose to impose a local tax through a local ordinance a maximum tax of 3%. This measure increases this 3% maximum to a 10% maximum.