HB 2265 -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 cannabis in the state. Requires commission to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2021. Sunsets provisions January 2, 2022. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces the measure. Directs OLCC to establish by rule a medical marijuana grow site registration process. Defines medical marijuana grow site as a location where marijuana is produced for registry identification cardholders, but not including marijuana grow sites registered by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Specifies criteria for OLCC registration and for the transfer of marijuana; sets grow site production limits; establishes civil penalties for violations; and establishes OLCC registration deadlines. Allows OLCC to adopt by reference applicable OHA rules. Limits a person designated to produce marijuana by a registry identification cardholder under an OHA grow site registration to grow for no more than two cardholders. Allows the OHA to renew marijuana grow site registrations issued by the authority until June 1, 2022, clarifying that beginning September 1, 2021, the authority may not issue registration to a grow site that produces marijuana for more than two registry identification cardholders. Requires the OLCC to receive applications for grow site registrations no later than June 1, 2022 for sites previously registered under OHA or producing marijuana for three or more registry identification cardholders. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 2265 directs the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to study cannabis in the state, and provide a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2021.