

House Bill 2015

Sponsored by Representative OWENS (at the request of City of Ontario) (Pre-session filed.)

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**.

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.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to local marijuana taxes; creating new provisions; amending ORS 475B.491; and prescribing
3 an effective date.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 475B.491 is amended to read:

6 475B.491. (1)(a) Except as expressly authorized by this section, the authority to impose a tax or
7 fee on the production, processing or sale of marijuana items in this state is vested solely in the
8 Legislative Assembly.

9 (b) Except as expressly authorized by this section, a county, city or other municipal corporation
10 or district may not adopt or enact ordinances imposing a tax or fee on the production, processing
11 or sale of marijuana items in this state.

12 (2) Subject to subsection (4) of this section, the governing body of a city or county may adopt
13 an ordinance to be referred to the electors of the city or county as described in subsection (3) of
14 this section that imposes a tax or a fee on the sale of marijuana items that are sold in the area
15 subject to the jurisdiction of the city or the unincorporated area subject to the jurisdiction of a
16 county by a marijuana retailer that holds a license issued under ORS 475B.105.

17 (3) If the governing body of a city or county adopts an ordinance under this section, the gov-
18 erning body shall refer the measure of the ordinance to the electors of the city or county for ap-
19 proval at the next statewide general election.

20 (4) An ordinance adopted under this section may not impose a tax or fee:

21 (a) In excess of [*three*] **10** percent; or

22 (b) On a registry identification cardholder or on a designated primary caregiver who is pur-
23 chasing a marijuana item for a registry identification cardholder.

24 **SECTION 2.** The amendments to ORS 475B.491 by section 1 of this 2021 Act apply to taxes
25 imposed on marijuana items sold on or after January 1, 2022.

26 **SECTION 3.** This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021
27 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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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.