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To: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee

From: Michelle Deister, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: February 29, 2024

Subject: HB 4121– Relating to cannabis
Work Session Recommendations

House Bill 4121 directs the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) to establish a registration program for industrial hemp products that contain cannabinoids for human or animal consumption, and sets labeling and packaging requirements. The bill allows temporary permits for cannabis licensee and laboratory workers, limits the number of licenses, and allows OLCC to enact minor decoy operations to evaluate compliance with sales of adult use products.

OLCC is directed to create and maintain maps of licensed marijuana and industrial hemp operation sites, and the measure provides for inspections and enforcement mechanisms by OLCC and the Department of Agriculture.

The measure has a minimal fiscal impact for the current biennium, but is anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to OLCC in 2025-27 of \$1.6 million, associated with establishing the industrial hemp registration program. Seven positions (5.65 FTE) are anticipated to be required to implement the measure, and resources will need to be included in the agency's 2025-27 budget. The expenditures will be supported by fees charged to industrial hemp registrants.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 4121 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 4121 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation.
(VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____