House Bill 4093

Sponsored by Representative WALTERS, Senator SOLLMAN, Representative SANCHEZ; Representatives DIEHL, GRAYBER, HARTMAN, Senators JAMA, PATTERSON (Preession 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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act says that at least one of the commissioners on the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission must know about public health. The Act starts when it passes. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.7).

Requires at least one of the commissioners of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission to have a background in public health.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to public health requirements of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission; creating new provisions; amending ORS 471.705; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 471.705 is amended to read:

471.705. (1) There is created the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission, consisting of nine commissioners appointed by the Governor as follows:

(a)(A) One commissioner must be from among the residents of each congressional district of this state.

(B) One additional commissioner must be from eastern Oregon.

(C) One additional commissioner must be from western Oregon.

(D) One additional commissioner must represent the public at large.

(E) One commissioner must be from the food and alcoholic beverage retail industry.

(F) At least one of the commissioners must have a background in public health.

(b) Not more than five commissioners may be of the same political party.

(c) The Governor shall designate one commissioner to be chairperson of the commission.

(d) The commissioners are entitled to compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495.

(2) Each commissioner at the time of appointment must be a resident of this state and must have resided in this state for at least five years next preceding appointment and qualification. Each commissioner must be an elector in this state and may not be less than 30 years of age. The term of office of a commissioner terminates if the commissioner ceases to possess the residency or industry qualification for appointment. If the term of office of a commissioner terminates under this subsection, the Governor shall appoint a qualified individual to complete the unexpired term of the commissioner.

(3) The term of office of a commissioner is four years from the time of appointment and qualification and until a successor qualifies for appointment. The terms of the commissioners commence April 1. If a commissioner is allowed to hold office after the expiration of a term, the Governor shall appoint the successor for the remainder of the unexpired term. If a vacancy occurs in the commiss-

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.

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sion, the Governor shall appoint the successor for the remainder of the unexpired term. Each com-
missioner is eligible for reappointment, but an individual is not eligible to serve for more than two
full terms.

(4) Appointments of commissioners by the Governor under this section are subject to confirma-
tion by the Senate pursuant to [section 4.] Article III, section 4, of the Oregon Constitution.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 471.705 by section 1 of this 2024 Act apply to com-
misioners appointed to the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission on or after the effec-
tive date of this 2024 Act.

SECTION 3. This 2024 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2024 Act takes effect
on its passage.