
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2021 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to
Original House Resolution No. 1 by Representative Bryant

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete lines 17 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:

3 "WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature wishes to consider legalization of cannabis,
4 a decision that is based upon the fact that legalization of cannabis is supported by the
5 people of the state of Louisiana; and"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 2

7 On page 2, line 6, after "prosecute" and before "those" insert "illicit cannabis markets and"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 3

9 On page 2, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

10 "(6) Evaluating effects and impacts of potential legalization of cannabis on
11 Louisiana's existing medical marijuana program and illicit cannabis markets.

12 (7) Evaluating best practices for potential tax structure, rates, and economic
13 impacts on potential legal framework and illicit markets.

14 (8) Evaluating economic development, encouragement of private
15 capitalization and investment, quality jobs created, and banking issues related to
16 potential legalization of cannabis.

17 (9) Establishing a commission to appropriate funds generated from
18 recreational cannabis."

19 AMENDMENT NO. 4

20 On page 2, delete lines 10 through 24 in their entirety and insert the following:

21 "THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives of the
22 Legislature of Louisiana requests the House Committee on Administration
23 of Criminal Justice or a subcommittee thereof to study the impact of legalizing the
24 possession and use of cannabis for the citizens of this state and to report its findings
25 to the legislature at least fourteen days prior to the convening of the 2022 Regular
26 Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the House Committee on Administration
28 of Criminal Justice or a subcommittee thereof shall work in conjunction with and
29 obtain input from the chairman of the House Committee on Administration of
30 Criminal Justice, or his designee; the chairman of the House Committee on
31 Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development, or his designee; the
32 chairman of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, or his designee; the
33 chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, or his designee; Louisiana
34 Sheriffs' Association; Louisiana District Attorneys Association; the medical
35 marijuana cultivation business community; medical marijuana pharmacy business
36 community; Louisiana State University Agriculture Center; Southern University
37 Agriculture Center; Voice of the Experienced; and the author of this legislation.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the study committee shall work in
39 conjunction with and obtain input from the states who have legalized recreational
40 cannabis, including but not limited to their findings regarding the following:

41 (1) Establishing and maintaining procedures to regulate and produce
42 cannabis.

1 (2) Establishing public safety protections for minors.

2 (3) Establishing public safety protections to identify and prosecute illicit
3 cannabis markets and those who misuse legal cannabis.

4 (4) Creating rigorous testing and detailed labeling requirements.

5 (5) Providing equity and economic opportunities for the communities of
6 Louisiana.

7 (6) Evaluating effects and impacts of potential legalization of cannabis on
8 Louisiana's existing medical marijuana program and illicit cannabis markets.

9 (7) Evaluating best practices for potential tax structure, rates, and economic
10 impacts on potential legal framework and illicit markets.

11 (8) Evaluating economic development, encouragement of private
12 capitalization and investment, quality jobs created, and banking issues related to
13 potential legalization of cannabis.

14 (9) Establishing a commission to appropriate funds generated from
15 recreational cannabis.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study committee, for the purposes
17 of conducting its meetings and accomplishing its goals, shall be staffed by the House
18 Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice and staff of the House Fiscal
19 Division."