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<u>Present law</u> identifies the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center and the Southern University Agricultural Center as the licensed producers of marijuana for therapeutic use in the state.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes each university to contract with one contractor to produce therapeutic marijuana.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the universities as the licensees and transfers the licenses to the two contractors who had contracts with the universities on January 1, 2024.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes procedures for the Louisiana Department of Health to renew or revoke the licenses.

<u>Present law</u> establishes a sunset provision for the therapeutic marijuana program to terminate on January 1, 2025.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the termination date to July 1, 2030.

<u>Present law</u> establishes a seven percent fee collected from the gross sales of therapeutic marijuana and provides for the dedication of the funds collected from the fee.

Proposed law changes the dedication of the funds.

SB 228 Engrossed

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 28:826(B)(1) and (2)(c) and (C)(1)(b) and R.S. 40:1046(H) and (L), 1046.2(A), 1046.2(B)(intro para), 1046.2(B)(1)(intro para), 1046.2(B)(1)(a)(intro para), 1046.2(B)(1)(b) through (e), and (B)(2)(a), (C)(1),1046.2(C)(2)(intro para), and 1046.2(C)(2)(a) and (c), 1046.2(D)(intro para), 1046.2(D)(1)(intro para), and 1046.2(D)(2), (4), and (5), 1046.2(E) and 1046.2(E)(1), 1046.2(F)(intro para), 1046.2(F)(1), the 1046.2(F)(2)(intro para), and 1046.2(F)(2)(b) and (3), (G), (H)(1) and (2) and 1046.2(H)(3)(intro para), and 1046.2(I)(intro para), 1046.2(I)(1)(intro para), and 1046.2(I)(1)(a) and (b), (2), and (3), and 1046.4(A)(1) and (3) and (C)(1) and (2); repeals R.S. 28:826(B)(2)(d) and (C)(1)(c))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Removes the LSU Ag Center and Southern Ag Center as the two therapeutic

marijuana licensees and transfers the licenses to the current contractors, effective July 1, 2024.

- 2. Provides for procedures for the Louisiana Department of Health to renew or revoke the licenses.
- 3. Changes the allocation of funds collected from the 7% fee collected on the gross sale of therapeutic marijuana.
- 4. Makes technical changes.