Senate Bill 570

Sponsored by Senator ANDERSON (Presession 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 raises the percentage of the tax that a city or a county may impose on the sale of marijuana items. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).

Increases the maximum percentage of tax that the governing body of a city or county may impose on the sale of marijuana items. Requires a percentage of a newly enacted or increased amount to be transferred to the county in which the collecting retail establishment is located, provided the county is eligible for Oregon Marijuana Account distributions.

Applies to marijuana items sold on or after January 1, 2026. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to local marijuana taxes; creating new provisions; amending ORS 475C.453; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 475C.453 is amended to read:

475C.453. (1)(a) Except as expressly authorized by this section, the authority to impose a tax or fee on the production, processing or sale of marijuana items in this state is vested solely in the Legislative Assembly.

- (b) Except as expressly authorized by this section, a county, city or other municipal corporation or district may not adopt or enact ordinances imposing a tax or fee on the production, processing or sale of marijuana items in this state.
- (2) Subject to subsection (4) of this section, the governing body of a city or county may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the electors of the city or county as described in subsection (3) of this section that imposes a tax or a fee on the sale of marijuana items that are sold in the area subject to the jurisdiction of the city or the unincorporated area subject to the jurisdiction of a county by a marijuana retailer that holds a license issued under ORS 475C.097.
- (3) If the governing body of a city or county adopts an ordinance under this section, the governing body shall refer the measure of the ordinance to the electors of the city or county for approval at the next statewide general election.
 - (4) An ordinance adopted under this section may not impose a tax or fee:
 - (a) In excess of [three] 10 percent; or
- (b) On a registry identification cardholder or on a designated primary caregiver who is purchasing a marijuana item for a registry identification cardholder.
- SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 475C.453 by section 1 of this 2025 Act apply to taxes imposed on marijuana items sold on or after January 1, 2026.
- SECTION 3. Section 4 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 475C.670 to 475C.734.

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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SECTION 4. (1) If the governing body of a city by ordinance imposes or increases a tax
or fee on the sale of marijuana items, 20 percent of the proceeds of the tax or fee collected
shall be transferred to the county in which the retail establishment collecting the tax is lo-
cated

- (2) Subsection (1) of this section applies only to:
- (a) Cities located in counties that are eligible under ORS 475C.726 (3)(c) to receive transfers from the Oregon Marijuana Account; and
- (b) A tax or fee that is newly enacted after the effective date of this 2025 Act or that amount that is attributable to a tax or fee increase enacted after the effective date of this 2025 Act.

SECTION 5. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.