

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5130

February Session, 2020



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: REP. CANDELARIA, 95th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE TAXATION OF PALLIATIVE MARIJUANA AND THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) provide that palliative 2 marijuana is not subject to sales or excise taxes, (2) provide for the retail 3 sale of marijuana to persons twenty-one years of age or older and for the 4 taxation of such sale, and (3) to provide further that (A) not less than 5 thirty per cent of the revenue from such taxation be allocated toward (i) 6 providing drug awareness education, substance abuse treatment and 7 efforts to curb abuse of opiates and other harmful substances, (ii) 8 ensuring the marijuana be tested for illicit substances and potency, (iii) 9 studying the impact of marijuana legalization and consumption, (iv) 10 funding the placement of drug-prevention officers in schools, and (v) a 11 public outreach campaign to prevent distracted driving and driving 12 while under the influence of marijuana; (B) twenty-five per cent of the 13 revenue from such taxation be allocated for homeless services, including 14 the provision of up to two months security deposit and one year rental 15 assistance for service recipients, (C) ten per cent of the revenue from

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- such taxation be allocated to the host municipalities, and (D) fifteen per
- 17 cent of the revenue from such taxation be distributed through a grant
- 18 formula to assist local and regional school districts of host
- 19 municipalities to improve student performance.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that palliative marijuana is not subject to sales or excise taxes and legalize and tax the sale and use of marijuana by persons twenty-one years of age or older.

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