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# HOUSE BILL NO. 2186

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 191.765, 191.769, 191.775, 191.776, and 290.145, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eight new sections relating to marijuana, with penalty provisions.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Sections 191.765, 191.769, 191.775, 191.776, and 290.145, RSMo, are  
2 repealed and eight new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 173.1566,  
3 191.765, 191.769, 191.775, 191.776, 195.778, 217.158, and 290.145, to read as follows:

**173.1566. 1. Each public institution of higher education supported by state  
2 funds shall allow individuals to possess and use marijuana or marijuana-infused  
3 products for medical use as authorized by state law on each campus of such institution.  
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**2. The department of higher education and workforce development may  
5 promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section.  
6 Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created  
7 under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies  
8 with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section  
9 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested  
10 with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date,  
11 or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant  
12 of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2024, shall  
13 be invalid and void.**

191.765. As used in sections 191.765 to [~~191.773~~] **191.777** and section 290.145, the  
2 following terms mean:

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

3 (1) "Bar" or "tavern", any licensed establishment which serves liquor on the premises  
4 for which not more than ten percent of the gross sales receipts of the business are supplied by  
5 food purchases, either for consumption on the premises or elsewhere;

6 (2) **"Marijuana", the same meaning given to the term in Article XIV, Section 2 of**  
7 **the Constitution of Missouri;**

8 (3) "Other person in charge", the agent of the proprietor authorized to give  
9 administrative directions to and general supervision of the activities within the public place,  
10 work place or public meeting at any given time;

11 ~~[(3)]~~ (4) "Proprietor", the party who ultimately controls, governs or directs the  
12 activities within the public place, work place or public meeting, regardless of whether he **or**  
13 **she** is the owner or lessor of such place or site. The term does not mean the owner of the  
14 property unless he **or she** ultimately controls, governs or directs the activities within the  
15 public place or public meeting. The term "proprietor" shall apply to a corporation as well as  
16 an individual;

17 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) "Public meeting", a gathering in person of members of a governmental body,  
18 whether an open or closed session, as defined in chapter 610;

19 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) "Public place", any enclosed indoor area used by the general public or  
20 serving as a place of work including, but not limited to:

21 (a) Any retail or commercial establishments;

22 (b) Health care facilities, health clinics or ambulatory care facilities including, but not  
23 limited to, laboratories associated with health care treatment, hospitals, nursing homes,  
24 physicians' offices and dentists' offices;

25 (c) Any vehicle used for public transportation including, but not limited to, buses,  
26 taxicabs and limousines for hire;

27 (d) Rest rooms;

28 (e) Elevators;

29 (f) Libraries, educational facilities, day care facilities, museums, auditoriums and art  
30 galleries;

31 (g) All public areas and waiting rooms of public transportation facilities including,  
32 but not limited to, bus and airport facilities;

33 (h) Any enclosed indoor place used for entertainment or recreation including, but not  
34 limited to, gymnasiums, theater lobbies, concert halls, arenas and swimming pools;

35 (i) Any other enclosed indoor areas used by the general public including, but not  
36 limited to, corridors and shopping malls;

37 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) "Restaurant", any building, structure or area used, maintained or advertised  
38 as or held out to the public to be an enclosure where meals for consideration of payment are  
39 made available to be consumed on the premises;

40           ~~[(7)]~~ **(8)** "Smoking", possession of burning tobacco **or marijuana** in the form of a  
41 cigarette, cigar, pipe or other smoking equipment.

191.769. The following areas are not considered a public place:

2           (1) An entire room or hall which is used for private social functions, provided that the  
3 seating arrangements are under the control of the sponsor of the function and not of the  
4 proprietor or other person in charge;

5           (2) Limousines for hire and taxicabs, where the driver and all passengers agree to  
6 smoking in such vehicle;

7           (3) Performers on the stage, provided that the smoking is part of the production;

8           (4) A place where more than fifty percent of the volume of trade or business carried  
9 on is that of the blending of tobaccos **or marijuana** or sale of tobaccos, **marijuana**,  
10 cigarettes, pipes, cigars or smoking sundries;

11          (5) Bars, taverns, restaurants that seat less than fifty people, bowling alleys and  
12 billiard parlors, which conspicuously post signs stating that "Nonsmoking Areas are  
13 Unavailable";

14          (6) Private residences; and

15          (7) Any enclosed indoor arena, stadium or other facility which may be used for  
16 sporting events and which has a seating capacity of more than fifteen thousand persons.

191.775. No person shall smoke or otherwise use tobacco~~;~~ **or** tobacco products,  
2 **marijuana or marijuana products**, or vapor products, as such term is defined in section  
3 407.925, in any indoor area of a public elementary or secondary school building or  
4 educational facility, excluding institutions of higher education, or on buses used solely to  
5 transport students to or from school or to transport students to or from any place for  
6 educational purposes. Any school board of any school district may set policy on the  
7 permissible uses of tobacco **or marijuana** products or vapor products in any other  
8 nonclassroom or nonstudent occupant facility, and on the school grounds or outdoor facility  
9 areas as the school board deems proper.

191.776. No person shall smoke or otherwise use tobacco **or marijuana** products in  
2 any area of a child care facility licensed by the department of health and senior services  
3 pursuant to the provisions of sections 210.201 to 210.245 during the period of time when the  
4 children cared for under that license are present. Any person who violates the provisions of  
5 this section shall be guilty of an infraction.

**195.778. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:**

2           **(1) "Applicant", an applicant for a license;**

3           **(2) "License", a comprehensive marijuana cultivation facility license,**  
4 **comprehensive marijuana dispensary facility license, or comprehensive marijuana-**

5 **infused products manufacturing facility license, as described in Article XIV, Section 2 of**  
6 **the Constitution of Missouri;**

7 **(3) "Minimum standards", the minimum standards required to receive a license**  
8 **that are consistent with the provisions of Article XIV, Section 2 of the Constitution of**  
9 **Missouri.**

10 **2. Due to the demand for marijuana in this state and consistent with its**  
11 **obligation to lift or ease any limit on the number of licenses in order to meet such**  
12 **demand as described in Article XIV, Section 2, Subsection 4, Subdivision (2) of the**  
13 **Constitution of Missouri, the department of health and senior services shall issue a**  
14 **license to any applicant who meets minimum standards for the license for which the**  
15 **applicant applies.**

16 **3. Notwithstanding subsection 2 of this section, the department of health and**  
17 **senior services may deny a license to an applicant who meets minimum standards for**  
18 **the license for which the applicant applies in order to comply with the ten percent cap**  
19 **for ownership of licenses established in Article XIV, Section 2, Subsection 4,**  
20 **Subdivisions (9), (10), and (11) of the Constitution of Missouri.**

21 **4. The general assembly hereby abrogates any limits on the number of licenses**  
22 **established in regulations.**

**217.158. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any person who**  
2 **is serving a sentence for a marijuana-related offense may petition the sentencing court**  
3 **to vacate the sentence and order immediate release from incarceration and other**  
4 **supervision by the department of corrections. When the petitioner is serving a sentence**  
5 **only for a marijuana-related offense or offenses, the sentencing court shall grant such**  
6 **petition and the department shall immediately release such person from custody and**  
7 **supervision.**

290.145. It shall be an improper employment practice for an employer to refuse to  
2 hire, or to discharge, any individual, or to otherwise disadvantage any individual, with respect  
3 to compensation, terms or conditions of employment because the individual uses lawful  
4 alcohol, **marijuana**, or tobacco products off the premises of the employer during hours such  
5 individual is not working for the employer, unless such use interferes with the duties and  
6 performance of the employee, the employee's coworkers, or the overall operation of the  
7 employer's business; except that, nothing in this section shall prohibit an employer from  
8 providing or contracting for health insurance benefits at a reduced premium rate or at a  
9 reduced deductible level for employees who do not smoke or use tobacco **or marijuana**  
10 products. Religious organizations and church-operated institutions, and not-for-profit  
11 organizations whose principal business is health care promotion shall be exempt from the

12 provisions of this section. The provisions of this section shall not be deemed to create a cause  
13 of action for injunctive relief, damages or other relief.

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