

Legislative Analysis



MARIJUANA REFERENCE LABORATORY

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House Bill 5529 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Tyrone Carter
Committee: Regulatory Reform
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5529 would amend the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act to allow the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA) to do both of the following:

- Establish and operate a marijuana reference laboratory.
- Collect, transport and possess marijuana for the purpose of testing and conducting research in support of CRA investigations and the development and optimization of testing methods performed through the CRA reference laboratory.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5529 would not have a fiscal impact on the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (housed within the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs) or on any other unit of state or local government. 2023 PA 119 (FY 2023-24 budget) appropriates \$4.4 million from the Marihuana Regulatory Fund for the purpose of establishing and operating a cannabis reference laboratory. This bill would provide the CRA with the statutory authority to operate that reference laboratory, and the CRA is already in the process of procuring materials and drafting plans for the laboratory.

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