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BILL ANALYSIS



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Senate Bill 807 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Sean McCann

Committee: Regulatory Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act to allow an individual who was 19 years old or older to work for a marihuana establishment or tribal marihuana business if the individual were supervised by an agent of the establishment or business who was 21 years old or older.

Currently, the Act prohibits a marihuana establishment, including a marihuana grower, processor, secure transporter, safety compliance facility, retailer, microbusiness, or tribal marihuana business, from allowing an individual under the age of 21 to volunteer or work for the establishment. The bill would allow an individual between the ages of 19 and 21 to manufacture, purchase, distribute, and sell marihuana accessories in the individual's capacity as an employee for a marihuana establishment only if the following conditions were met:

- An agent of the marihuana establishment or tribal marihuana business who was 21 years of age or older was present at the marihuana establishment or tribal marihuana business while the person was working.
- An agent of the marihuana establishment or tribal marihuana business who was 21 years of age or older directly supervised the person while the person was working.

MCL 333.27954 et al.

BRIEF RATIONALE

According to testimony, the marihuana industry has ongoing workforce concerns that lowering the allowed age for workers could resolve. Testimony also indicates that opportunities for young people to engage with marihuana programs at higher education institutions are increasing, and so it was suggested that the minimum age to work in the industry be lowered.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

The bill is similar to House Bill 6061 of the 2021-2022 Legislative Session.

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would not have a significant fiscal impact on State or local government.

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