



2021 Bill Analysis Template

<u>Bill Number:</u> HB 1019	<u>Bill Title:</u> Residential marijuana agriculture	<u>Assigned To:</u> Dzubay
<u>Division:</u> Enforcement	<u>Date Assigned:</u> 12/18/2020	<u>Date Due:</u> 12/26/2016

Bill Sponsor(s):
Representatives Kloba and MacEwen

Bill Digest or brief summary:
Opens up residential agriculture of 6 plants or less. Specifies that LCB has no authority over the new section.

Describe what the bill requires LCB to do or how it impacts current agency activities.
(Consider workload, funding needs, feasibility of implementation)

No impact – Authority taken away to investigate.

Does the bill align with the agency's mission, goals and priorities (consider also the three-tier system)?

- It does however it may take authority away from the officers to investigate illegal grows.
 - Subsection (9) contradicts an LCB officers authority to enforce RCW 69.50.445 and RCW 69.51A.060(1) by specifically disallowing officers to investigate this type of behavior.
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How could the bill impact access, availability or pricing of regulated substances?
(Consider youth, vulnerable populations, general public and social norms)

Concerns –

- Allowing consumers to grow from home may reduce the number of purchases made at a MJ retail location therefore the state may receive less tax money.
- Allowing home grows with essentially no regulation might encourage an illicit market, driving customers away from the legal market.
- If each plant produces a pound of marijuana, a person would be over the possession limit upon harvest. If these plants are grown outdoors, they could each produce far more than a pound each. The bill is not realistic regarding how much marijuana a plant can produce, possibly increasing illicit sales.

Would the bill impact advertising and marketing of regulated substances? (Consider exposure for populations listed above)

No

How might the bill impact external stakeholders, including state and local agencies, Tribes, public health and prevention? (Pro/Con):

Local Law Enforcement impact - The odor of green, growing marijuana would no longer be part of probable cause for getting search warrant. It would instead be signs of a civil infraction.

Prevention community - Youth may have more access to marijuana via these grows being outside and unsecure, or from other friends and family marijuana grows. We've had illegal grow cases where kids have lived at the same location as the grow where it appears easy for youths to take product if they wanted to.

Recommended LCB Position on Bill:

- ☐ Support
- ☐ Concerns
- ☐ Oppose
- ☒ No position

If recommending concerns or oppose, are there amendments to address problems?

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FOR SUBSTITUTE/AMENDED VERSION(S):

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Summarize changes to the bill.

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For any questions, please contact [Chris Thompson](#)