

- Subject Cannabis task force
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## **Overview**

This bill establishes a cannabis task force to develop a comprehensive plan with recommendations on issues related to the legalization, taxation, and regulation of the production, sale, and use of cannabis.

## **Summary**

Section

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## 1 Cannabis task force.

Description

Adds § 152.38. Establishes a cannabis task force, establishes duties for the task force, and requires a comprehensive plan to be submitted to certain members of certain legislative committees by February 1, 2020.

**Subd. 1. Establishment.** Establishes a cannabis task force to advise the legislature on the legalization, taxation, and regulation of the production, sale, and use of cannabis.

**Subd. 2. Membership.** Lists membership on the task force, and specifies that members shall serve without compensation.

**Subd. 3. Organization.** Directs the governor or governor's designee to convene the task force's first meeting, and directs the task force to elect a chair and other officers as necessary. Directs the task force to meet monthly or as determined by the chair.

**Subd. 4. Staff.** Directs the commissioner of health to provide staff, office space, and administrative services for the task force.

Subd. 5. Duties. Directs the task force to develop a comprehensive plan covering:

- statutory changes needed to legalize cannabis;
- taxation of cannabis sales and appropriate dedicated uses for revenue raised;

## Section Description

- state and local regulation of cannabis cultivation, processing, transporting, packaging, labeling, sale, possession, and use;
- treatment services for people dependent on cannabis;
- expungement;
- security of retail and manufacturing settings, and the safe handling of proceeds from cannabis sales;
- incentives for minority-owned businesses to participate in the cannabis industry; and
- recommendations for other steps related to cannabis legalization.

**Subd. 6. Report.** Requires the task force to submit the comprehensive plan developed under subdivision 5 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health, human services, revenue, public safety, labor and industry, and agriculture, by February 1, 2020.

Subd. 7. Expiration. Makes this section expire February 1, 2020.



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