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Final Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Tipper Sen. Holbert; Rodriguez	Bill Status:	Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: MARIJUANA RESPONSIBLE VENDOR DESIGNATIONS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill modifies marijuana responsible vendor designations to allow an individual employee to obtain a designation and to clarify how a business obtains a designation. The bill increases state workload in FY 2022-23 only.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, a medical or retail marijuana business may receive a responsible vendor designation after employees and owners complete a state-approved vendor server and selling training program. The designation is valid for two years and can be considered a mitigating factor in administrative action against the licensee.

Under the bill, a licensed employee, manager, or controlling beneficial owner may receive a responsible vendor designation after completing the training. If all the employees who interact with customers, managers who oversee sales and training, and controlling beneficial owners with day to day control of a marijuana business have a responsible vendor designation, the business is considered to have the designation. The bill sets procedures for new staff to complete the training and for staff to take the designation to a new employer. Employers and businesses must maintain records of their training.

The bill also aligns training requirements for marijuana hospitality licensees with the bill's provisions by requiring employees to have a valid responsible vendor designation instead of completing an annual training.

State Expenditures

In FY 2022-23, the bill increases workload for the Department of Revenue to update rules, materials, and procedures to align with the changes in the bill. No change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on April 21, 2022, and takes effect January 1, 2023, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Law Revenue