State of Arizona Senate Forty-fifth Legislature First Regular Session 2001

SENATE BILL 1519

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STUDY OF INDUSTRIAL HEMP.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. $\frac{\text{Arizona state university study; reporting}}{\text{requirement}}$

- A. Any university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of regents may study the feasibility and desirability of industrial hemp production in this state. The study shall include an analysis of all of the following:
 - 1. Required soils and growing conditions.
- 2. Seed availability and varieties, including in the ground seed variety trials.
 - Harvest methods.
 - 4. Market economies.
 - 5. Environmental benefits.
 - 6. Levels of THC required for successful crops.
 - 7. Effective identification of industrial hemp and its THC content.
- B. For the purposes of this section, "industrial hemp" means strains or varieties of cannabis plants, particularly cannabis sativa, containing low percentages, generally less than one per cent, by dry weight of the psychoactive ingredient delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol commonly known as "THC".
- C. If a study is conducted pursuant to subsection A, the university shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives on or before December 1, 2003 and shall provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state and the director of the Arizona state library, archives and public records.
 - Sec. 2. Delayed repeal
 - Section 1 of this act is repealed from and after January 31, 2004.

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