



## Colorado Legislative Council Staff

# **FISCAL NOTE**

FISCAL IMPACT: ⊠ State □ Local □ Statutory Public Entity □ Conditional □ No Fiscal Impact

Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Pabon Bill Status: House Public Health Care and

**Human Services** 

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**BILL TOPIC: MULTI-SERVING LIQUID MARIJUANA PRODUCTS** 

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal workload increase.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: None.		

#### **Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, a retail marijuana store may not sell more than one ounce of retail marijuana or its equivalent to Colorado residents and no more than a quarter ounce of retail marijuana or its equivalent to non-residents. This bill exempts multi-serving liquid retail marijuana products from the equivalency restrictions if the product complies with all statutory and rule packaging requirements for multi-serving edibles. The multi-serving liquid must:

- be packaged in a structure that uses a single mechanism to achieve both child-resistance and accurate pouring dosing of each liquid serving in increments of 10 milligrams or less with a maximum of 100 milligrams per package; and
- have the dosing component within the child-resistant cap or closure of the bottle and not as a separate component.

#### Background

Colorado law requires the Marijuana Enforcement Division (MED) in the Department of Revenue to promulgate rules establishing the equivalency of retail marijuana flowers in various retail marijuana products including liquids in order to limit sales of those products to no more than one ounce of retail marijuana for Colorado residents and one quarter ounce for non-residents. For example, under the MED rules, a Colorado resident can purchase up to 80 10-milligram servings of edible marijuana products while a non-resident can purchase up to 20 10-milligram servings. The milligram measurement refers to delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the principle psychoactive component in marijuana.

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### **State Expenditures**

This bill will minimally increase workload for the MED to promulgate rules, which the fiscal note assumes will occur in FY 2016-17. The MED is appropriated funds to make and enforce rules as part of its regulatory oversight of medical and retail marijuana. As such, the rulemaking and enforcement required under this bill can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Information Technology Law Revenue