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S.B. 1141: FLOOR ANALYSIS

Senate Bill 1141 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Alan L. Cropsey

Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Drug Dealer Liability Act to revise the amounts of controlled substances in the definitions of Level 1, 2, 3, and 4 participation in the illegal marketing of controlled substances, for purposes of an action brought under the Act. The Act allows people injured by an individual abuser of a controlled substance to bring an action against a person who participated in the illegal marketing of the controlled substance. The market area (county or counties) in which a person is presumed to have participated in the illegal marketing of a "market area controlled substance" (generally, a Schedule 1 opiate, cocaine, methamphetamine, or marihuana) depends upon the person's participation level, which is defined in terms of the quantity of the substance. The bill would revise the definition of the levels of participation, as shown below.

	Controlled Substance		Marihuana	
Participation				
Level	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
1	650 grams or	1,000 grams or	16 lbs. or more; or	45 kg. or more; or
	more	more	100 plants or more	200 plants or more
2	225 or more	450 or more	8 or more lbs. but	5 kg. or more but
	grams but	grams but less	less than 16; or 75	less than 45; or 20
	less than 650	than 1,000	or more plants but	or more plants but
			less than 100	fewer than 200
3	50 or more	50 or more	4 or more lbs. but	Less than 5 kg.; or
	grams but	grams but less	less than 8; or 50 or	fewer than 20
	less than 225	than 450	more plants but less	plants
			than 75	
4	Less than 50	Less than 50	1 or more lbs. but	N/A
	grams	grams	less than 4; or 25 or	
			more plants but less	
			than 50	

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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