SENATE BILL NO. 186

February 25, 2021, Introduced by Senator LAUWERS and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to amend 2020 PA 220, entitled "Industrial hemp growers act,"

by amending sections 103, 211, 301, 303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 401, 403, 405, 407, 503, 509, 511, 601, 603, 605, and 609 (MCL 333.29103, 333.29211, 333.29301, 333.29303, 333.29305, 333.29307, 333.29309, 333.29311, 333.29401, 333.29403, 333.29405, 333.29407, 333.29503, 333.29509, 333.29511, 333.29601, 333.29603, 333.29605, and 333.29609), and by adding chapter VIII; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 103. As used in this act:

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- 2 (a) "Acceptable THC level" means the application of the
- 3 measurement of uncertainty to the reported total delta-9-THC
- 4 concentration level on a dry weight basis that produces a
- 5 distribution or range that includes 0.3% or less total delta-9-THC.
- 6 (b) "Applicant" means a person that submits an application for7 a registration.
- 8 (c) "Cannabis" means the plant Cannabis sativa L. and any part9 of that plant, whether growing or not.
 - (c) "Compliance monitoring testing facility" means a laboratory that meets both of the following requirements:
- 12 (i) Is registered with the DEA to conduct chemical analysis of controlled substances under 21 CFR 1301.13.
- 14 (ii) Performs routine compliance monitoring testing of 15 unofficial hemp samples throughout the growing season.
- (d) "Controlled substance felony" means a felony violation of the laws of any state having to do with controlled substances or a felony violation of federal law having to do with controlled substances.
- 20 (e) "Conviction" means a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or 21 a finding of guilt related to a controlled substance felony, unless 22 1 of the following applies:
- 23 (i) The finding of guilt is subsequently expunded.
- 24 (ii) The finding of guilt is set aside under 1965 PA 213, MCL 25 780.621 to 780.624, or otherwise expunsed.
- 26 (iii) The individual is pardoned.
- 27 (f) (e) "Corrective action plan" means a plan created under 28 section 601.

- 1 (g) (f) "Criminal history record information" means that term 2 as defined in section 1a of 1925 PA 289, MCL 28.241a.
- 5 (i) Is prepared by the United States Federal Bureau of
- 6 Investigation or another authority approved by the department. that
- 7 includes
- 8 (ii) Includes fingerprint-based criminal history record
- 9 information.
- 10 (iii) Is completed not more than 60 days before an application
- 11 is submitted under section 201.
- 12 (i) "Culpable mental state greater than negligence" means to
- 13 act intentionally, knowingly, willfully, or recklessly.
- 14 (j) (h)—"DEA" means the United States Drug Enforcement
- 15 Administration.
- (k) (i) "Department" means the department of agriculture and
- 17 rural development.
- 18 (1) "Designated sampling agent" means a federal, state, or
- 19 local law enforcement agent authorized by the department to collect
- 20 official samples under section 401.
- 21 (m) "Dispose" means an activity that transitions industrial
- 22 hemp into a nonretrievable or noningestible form of industrial hemp
- 23 under section 407.
- 24 (n) "Dry weight basis" means the ratio of the amount of
- 25 moisture in cannabis to the amount of solid in cannabis.
- 26 (o) "Dwelling" means a house, building, tent, trailer,
- 27 vehicle, or other shelter that is occupied in whole or in part as a
- 28 home, residence, living place, or sleeping place for 1 or more
- 29 individuals either permanently or transiently, or any portion

1 thereof.

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- 4 (q) (k)—"GPS coordinates" means latitude and longitude
 5 coordinates derived from a global positioning system that are taken
 6 from a central point within a growing area or structure and that
 7 includes decimal degrees to six places after the decimal.
- (r) (l) "Grow" or "growing", unless the context requires 8 9 otherwise, means to plant, propagate, cultivate, or harvest live plants or viable seed. Grow or growing includes drying and storing 10 harvested industrial hemp, possessing live industrial hemp plants 11 12 or viable seed on a premises where the live industrial hemp plants 13 or viable seed are grown, growing industrial hemp for the purposes 14 of conducting research, and selling harvested industrial hemp to a 15 processor processor-handler licensed under the industrial hemp 16 research and development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL 286.841 to 286.859, 17 or processor licensed under the medical marihuana facilities licensing act, 2016 PA 281, MCL 333.27101 to 333.27801, as 18 19 authorized under this act. Grow or growing does not include selling 20 an intermediary, in-process, or finished industrial hemp product or 21 smokable hemp flower.
- 22 (s) (m) "Grower" means a person that is required to be 23 registered under section 201.
 - (t) (n) "Industrial hemp" means that term as defined in section 7106 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.
- 26 (u) (o) "Industrial hemp plan" means the plan created under 27 section 105.
- (v) (p)—"Key participant" means a person that has a direct or indirect financial interest in the person or business producing

- 1 hemp or a person in a corporate entity at executive levels that is
- 2 regularly responsible for decision making impacting the growing of
- 3 industrial hemp. A key participant includes, but is not limited to,
- 4 any of the following:
- 5 (i) For a sole proprietorship, a sole proprietor.
- 6 (ii) For a partnership, a partner.
- 7 (iii) For a corporation, an individual with executive managerial
- 8 control including, but not limited to, a chief executive officer, a
- 9 chief operating officer, or a chief financial officer.
- 10 (w) "Key participant" does not include positions such as farm,
- 11 field, or shift managers.
- 12 (x) "Lot" means either of the following:
- 13 (i) A contiguous area in a field, greenhouse, or other indoor
- 14 growing area that contains the same variety or strain of cannabis
- 15 throughout.
- 16 (ii) A farm, tract, field, or subfield as these terms are
- 17 defined in 7 CFR 718.2.
- 18 (y) (g) "Marihuana" means that term as defined in section 7106
- 19 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.
- 20 (z) (r) "Measurement of uncertainty" means the parameter
- 21 associated with the result of a measurement that characterizes the
- 22 dispersion of the values that could reasonably be attributed to the
- 23 particular quantity subject to the measurement.
- 24 (aa) "Negligence" means the failure to exercise the level of
- 25 care that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in the same or
- 26 similar circumstances.
- 27 (bb) "Noncompliant industrial hemp" means industrial hemp that
- 28 is not in compliance with this act or the rules promulgated under
- 29 this act.

- 1 (cc) "Official hemp sample" means a sample of an industrial
 2 hemp lot that is collected by a designated sampling agent under
 3 section 401 in accordance with department sampling protocols and is
 4 tested by a regulatory testing facility.
- 5 (dd) "Percentage of THC on a dry weight basis" means the 6 percentage, by weight, of THC in cannabis after excluding the 7 moisture from the cannabis.
- (ee) (s) "Person" means an individual, partnership,
 corporation, association, college or university, or other legal
 entity.
- 11 (ff) (t) "Postdecarboxylation test" means a test of cannabis
 12 for delta-9-THC after a carboxyl group is eliminated from delta-913 THC acid.
- 14 (gg) (u)—"Program" means the industrial hemp program
 15 established by this act.

- 21 (x) "Sampling" means the process of taking a sample.
- 22 (ii) (y) "Testing "Regulatory testing facility" means a
 23 laboratory approved by this state and that meets all of the
 24 following requirements:
- 25 (i) Is registered with the DEA. to
- (ii) Is authorized to conduct chemical analysis of controlled
 substances pursuant to 21 CFR 1301.13. and that meets
- 28 (iii) Meets the requirements under section 403.
- 29 (iv) Conducts testing of official hemp samples.

- 1 (jj) "Remediate" means an activity that transitions
 2 noncompliant industrial hemp into industrial hemp that is in
 3 compliance with this act and the rules promulgated under this act
 4 under section 407.
- 5 (kk) (z) "THC" means tetrahydrocannabinol.
- 6 (U) (aa) "Total delta-9-THC" means the total available
 7 tetrahydrocannabinol measured as the sum of delta-98 tetrahydrocannabinol and 87.7% of the delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol
 9 acid reported on a dry weight basis.
- 10 (mm) "Unofficial hemp sample" means a sample of industrial
 11 hemp collected by a grower for routine compliance monitoring
 12 testing throughout the growing season for testing by a compliance
 13 monitoring testing facility.
- 16 (oo) (cc) "Variety" means a subdivision of a species that has
 17 the following characteristics:
- 18 (i) The subdivision is uniform, in the sense that variations
 19 between the subdivision and other subdivisions in essential and
 20 distinctive characteristics are describable.
- (ii) The subdivision is distinct, in the sense that the
 subdivision can be differentiated by 1 or more identifiable
 morphological, physiological, or other characteristics from all
 other known subdivisions.
- (iii) The subdivision is stable, in the sense that thesubdivision will remain uniform and distinct if reproduced.
- 27 (pp) $\frac{\text{(dd)}}{\text{"Viable seed" means seed that has a germination rate}}$ 28 of greater than 0.0%.
- Sec. 211. (1) An initial registration granted by the

- 1 department under this act expires at midnight on November 30 in the
- 2 year the January 31 immediately following the date in which the
- 3 registration is granted.
- 4 (2) Other than a registration granted under subsection (1), a
- **5** registration is valid for 1 year beginning on December **February** 1
- 6 and expiring at midnight on the following November 30. January 31.
- 7 (3) To renew a registration, an applicant must submit do all
- 8 of the following:
- 9 (a) Submit an application $\frac{1}{1}$ on a form and $\frac{1}{1}$ manner
- 10 provided by the department.—The
- 11 (b) If the application must be is submitted on or before
- 12 November 30. January 31, pay the registration fee under section
- 13 511.An
- (c) If an application is submitted after November 30 January
- 15 31 is subject to pay the registration fee under section 511 and a
- 16 late fee of \$250.00.
- 17 (4) If an applicant provides express written consent to
- 18 disclose personal information on an application, the applicant's
- 19 name, electronic mail email address, and telephone number may be
- 20 disclosed to a grower, or another person authorized by the
- 21 department. a processor-handler licensed under the industrial hemp
- 22 research and development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL 286.841 to 286.859,
- 23 or processor licensed under the medical marihuana facilities
- 24 licensing act, 2016 PA 281, MCL 333.27101 to 333.27801. If the
- 25 applicant does not provide express written consent to disclose
- 26 personal information on the application, any information submitted
- 27 by the applicant to the department on the application is exempt
- 28 from disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442,
- 29 MCL 15.231 to 15.246. This subsection does not apply to the

- 1 disclosure of personal information to a law enforcement agency.
- 2 (5) A registration is nontransferable.
- 3 Sec. 301. (1) A—After a grower is granted a registration under
- 4 chapter II and not more than 60 days before the grower plants any
- 5 industrial hemp, the grower shall report the following information
- 6 to the USDA Farm Service Agency: immediately after the grower is
- 7 granted a registration under chapter II:
- 8 (a) The address and total acreage of and GPS coordinates for
- 9 each field, greenhouse, building, or other location where
- 10 industrial hemp will be grown.
- 11 (b) The grower's registration number.
- 12 (2) A grower shall do all of the following:
- 13 (a) Allow the department or a law enforcement agency to enter
- 14 onto and inspect all premises where industrial hemp is or will be
- 15 located, with or without cause and with or without advance notice.
- 16 (b) On request from the department or a law enforcement
- 17 agency, produce a copy of the grower's registration for inspection.
- 18 (c) Contact the department to collect a—an official hemp
- 19 sample under section 401.
- 20 (d) Harvest the industrial hemp croplot within 15-30 days
- 21 after receiving a certified report an official hemp sample is
- 22 collected under section 405.401.
- 23 (e) Destroy any Dispose of or remediate under section 407,
- 24 without compensation, any industrial hemp lot determined to be
- 25 noncompliant under section 405.
- 26 (f) Dispose of the following, without compensation, under
- **27** section 407:
- 28 (i) If the results of the total delta-9-THC test under section
- 29 405 indicate a total delta-9-THC concentration of more than the

- 1 acceptable THC level, all cannabis grown within the contiguous area
- 2 where the sample was taken.
- (i) (ii) Industrial hemp that is at a location that is not
- 4 disclosed on the grower's application under section 201.
- 5 (ii) (iii)—Industrial hemp that is grown in violation of this
- 6 act.
- 7 (g) (f) Report all of the following information to the
- 8 department by November 15-30 of each year:
- 9 (i) Total acreage of industrial hemp that the grower grew in
- 10 the immediately preceding growing season.
- 11 (ii) Total acreage of industrial hemp that the grower harvested
- 12 in the immediately preceding growing season.
- 13 (iii) Total acreage of industrial hemp that the grower disposed
- 14 of in the immediately preceding growing season.
- 15 (h) Use only a compliance monitoring testing facility to test
- 16 unofficial hemp samples for compliance monitoring to determine
- 17 whether the industrial hemp is in compliance with this act.
- 18 (i) If the department is inspecting or investigating a
- 19 complaint, do all of the following:
- 20 (i) Allow the department to have access to all structures
- 21 directly related to the production of industrial hemp including,
- 22 but not limited to, a barn, machine shed, greenhouse, or storage
- 23 area.
- 24 (ii) Provide business records including books, accounts,
- 25 records, files, and any other documents in print or electronic
- 26 media that the department determines is relevant or necessary for
- 27 the inspection or investigation.
- 28 (iii) Allow a law enforcement agency to accompany the department
- 29 during an inspection or investigation.

- 1 (iv) Allow the department to collect official hemp samples for 2 the purpose of completing an inspection or investigation.
- 3 Sec. 303. A grower shall not do any of the following:
- 4 (a) Grow industrial hemp that is not in compliance with the5 grower's registration.
- 6 (b) Grow industrial hemp in a location that is not disclosed7 on the grower's application under section 201.
- 8 (c) Grow industrial hemp in a location that is not owned or
 9 completely controlled by the grower. As used in this subdivision,
 10 "completely controlled" means to be solely responsible for all of
 11 the industrial hemp grown at a location.
 - (d) Grow industrial hemp in a dwelling.
- (e) Grow a variety of industrial hemp that is on the listcreated under section 505.
- (f) Sell or transport, or permit the sale or transport of,
 viable industrial hemp plants or viable seed. to a location that is
 not disclosed on the grower's application under section 201 or to a
 person in this state that is not a grower.
 - (g) Harvest industrial hemp before receiving the certified report of the total delta-9-THC test results an official hemp sample is collected under section 405.401.
- 22 (h) Sell raw industrial hemp to a person in this state that is
 23 not authorized by the department to receive industrial
- 24 hemp.licensed as a processor-handler under the industrial hemp
- 25 research and development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL 286.841 to 286.859,
- 26 or as a processor under the medical marihuana facilities licensing
- 27 act, 2016 PA 281, MCL 333.27101 to 333.27801, as authorized under
- 28 this act..

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29 (i) Destroy Dispose of industrial hemp without submitting a

- 1 notice of intent to dispose to the department under section
- $2 ext{407(3)(a).} ext{407(6)(a)}$. This subdivision does not apply to a grower
- 3 that destroys male industrial hemp plants disposes of industrial
- 4 hemp affected by poor health, pests, disease, or weather or to
- 5 prevent cross-pollination of male or hermaphrodite industrial hemp
- 6 plants.
- 7 (j) Sell an intermediary, in-process, or finished industrial
- 8 hemp product or smokable hemp flower, unless the grower is licensed
- 9 as a processor-handler under the industrial hemp research and
- 10 development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL 286.841 to 286.859, or as a
- 11 processor under the medical marihuana facilities licensing act,
- 12 2016 PA 281, MCL 333.27101 to 333.27801, as authorized under this
- 13 act.
- 14 Sec. 305. (1) A grower shall post signage in a conspicuous
- 15 location at each boundary line of each location where industrial
- 16 hemp is grown. The signage must include all of the following:
- 17 (a) The statement, "Industrial Hemp Registered with the
- 18 Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development".
- 19 (b) The grower's name.
- 20 (c) The grower's registration number.
- 21 (2) The signage described under subsection (1) must meet all
- 22 of the following requirements:
- 23 (a) Be a minimum of 8 inches wide and by 10 inches. tall.
- 24 (b) Use writing print that is clearly legible and not smaller
- 25 than 3/8 inch tall.
- (c) Be made of weather-resistant material.
- Sec. 307. A grower shall provide a record of sale to each
- 28 person that purchases of raw industrial hemp from the grower. to a
- 29 processor-handler licensed under the industrial hemp research and

- 1 development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL 286.841 to 286.859 or a processor
- 2 licensed under the medical marihuana facilities licensing act, 2016
- **3 PA 281, MCL 333.27101 to 333.27801.** The record of sale must contain
- 4 all of the following information:
- 5 (a) The name and license number of the person processor-
- 6 handler or processor purchasing the industrial hemp.
- 7 (b) Evidence that the person purchasing the industrial hemp is
- 8 authorized by the department to purchase industrial hemp.
- 9 (b) (c) The total weight of industrial hemp purchased.
- 10 (c) (d) The total sale price of the industrial hemp.
- (d) (e)—The date of the sale.
- 12 (e) (f)—The certified report of the total delta-9-THC testing
- 13 under section 405 for each variety of industrial hemp purchased.
- 14 Sec. 309. (1) A grower shall maintain records containing that
- 15 contain all of the following information:
- 16 (a) Each record of sale generated under section 307.
- (b) The name and mailing address of any person from whom the
- 18 grower purchased viable industrial hemp.—seed.
- 19 (c) The name of each variety of industrial hemp the grower
- 20 grows.
- 21 (d) Evidence that the information required to be reported
- 22 under section 301 was submitted and received by the USDA Farm
- 23 Service Agency.
- 24 (e) A destruction report notice of disposal generated under
- 25 section 407(3)(b), 407(6)(b), if applicable.
- 26 (2) A grower shall maintain the records under subsection (1)
- 27 for 5 years and make the records available to the department upon
- 28 request.
- 29 Sec. 311. (1) Before implementing a modification to a site

- 1 growing location listed in a registration, the grower must submit a
- 2 site growing location modification request on a form provided by
- 3 the department and the required fee under section 511, based on the
- 4 number of requested modifications, and obtain written approval from
- 5 the department.
- **6** (2) The department shall not approve a site location
- 7 modification request under this section unless the grower has paid
- 8 the site growing location modification fee in full.
- 9 Sec. 401. (1) A grower that intends to harvest or destroy an
- 10 industrial hemp crop lot shall contact the department at least not
- 11 more than 30 days or less than 20 days in advance of before the
- 12 grower's anticipated harvest or destruction to collect a
- 13 representative an official hemp sample of each variety lot of
- 14 industrial hemp grown. Sampling must be conducted at least 15 days
- 15 A designated sampling agent shall collect an official hemp sample
- 16 before the grower's anticipated harvest, or destruction, and the
- 17 grower or the grower's authorized representative must be present.
- 18 (2) When the department conducts the sampling, a designated
- 19 sampling agent collects an official hemp sample, the grower shall
- 20 provide the department designated sampling agent with complete and
- 21 unrestricted access to both of the following during normal business
- 22 hours:
- 23 (a) All cannabis.
- 24 (b) All acreage, greenhouses, indoor square footage, fields,
- 25 buildings, or other locations, including any location listed in the
- 26 application under section 201, where cannabis is growing or stored.
- 27 (3) The department shall transport or cause to be transported
- 28 a an official hemp sample collected under this section to a
- 29 regulatory testing facility for total delta-9-THC testing under

- **1** section 403.
- 2 (4) A grower that requests the collection an official hemp
- 3 sample under this section must be in good standing. An official
- 4 hemp sample will not be collected until all outstanding fees and
- 5 fines under this act are paid.
- 6 (5) A grower may collect an unofficial hemp sample and submit
- 7 the unofficial hemp sample to a compliance monitoring testing
- 8 facility for compliance monitoring at any time to determine whether
- 9 the industrial hemp is in compliance with this act.
- 10 (6) The department may use performance-based sampling that
- 11 allows for reduced or no regulatory sampling of specific certified
- 12 seed, varieties yielding consistently compliant hemp, lots used for
- 13 academic research by a college or university, historical
- 14 performance of the grower, or other factors, which have the
- 15 potential to ensure at a confidence level of 95% that no more than
- 16 1% of the plants in each lot would be non-compliant.
- 17 Sec. 403. (1) A compliance monitoring testing facility or
- 18 regulatory testing facility that performs total delta-9-THC testing
- 19 must do all of the following:
- 20 (a) Adopt a laboratory quality assurance program that ensures
- 21 the validity and reliability of the total delta-9-THC test results.
- 22 (b) Adopt an analytical method selection, validation, and
- 23 verification procedure that ensures that the total delta-9-THC
- 24 testing method is appropriate.
- (c) Demonstrate that the total delta-9-THC testing ensures
- 26 consistent and accurate analytical performance.
- 27 (d) Adopt method performance selection specifications that
- 28 ensure that the total delta-9-THC testing methods are sufficient to
- 29 detect the total delta-9-THC as required under this act.

- (e) Report the measurement of uncertainty on the certified
 report of the total delta-9-THC test.
- 3 (f) Adopt a total delta-9-THC testing method that includes a4 postdecarboxylation test or other similar method.
- 5 (2) A testing facility shall ensure Ensure that a an official
- 6 hemp sample or unofficial hemp sample of industrial hemp is not
- 7 commingled with any other official hemp sample or unofficial hemp
- 8 sample. of industrial hemp.
- 9 (3) A testing facility shall assign Assign a sample
- 10 identification number to each official hemp sample or unofficial
- 11 hemp sample. of industrial hemp.
- 12 (2) $\frac{4}{4}$ regulatory testing facility or compliance monitoring
- 13 testing facility shall report all of the following information to
- 14 the department and to the USDA grower for each test performed:
- (a) The grower's full name and mailing address.
- 16 (b) The grower's registration number.
- 17 (c) Each sample identification number assigned under
- 18 subsection $\frac{(3)}{(1)}(1)(g)$.
- 19 (d) The testing facility's name and DEA registration number,
- 20 if applicable.
- 21 (e) The date the total delta-9-THC testing was completed.
- 22 (f) The certified report under section 405 of the total delta-
- 23 9-THC. testing.
- 24 (3) The requirement for regulatory testing facilities and
- 25 compliance monitoring testing facilities to be registered with the
- 26 DEA is effective on December 31, 2022.
- 27 Sec. 405. (1) If the results of the total delta-9-THC test of
- 28 an official hemp sample indicate a total delta-9-THC concentration
- 29 of not more than the acceptable THC level, the regulatory testing

- 1 facility shall provide to the grower , and the department , and the
- 2 USDA a certified report stating that states the results of the
- 3 total delta-9-THC test.
- 4 (2) If the results of the total delta-9-THC test of an
- 5 official hemp sample indicate a total delta-9-THC concentration
- 6 that is greater than the acceptable THC level, the regulatory
- 7 testing facility shall provide the grower and the department a
- 8 certified report stating that states the results of the total
- 9 delta-9-THC test, and the grower must destroy dispose of or
- 10 remediate the noncompliant industrial hemp erop lot under section
- **11** 407.
- 12 (3) The A grower shall harvest an industrial hemp erop lot
- 13 within 15-30 days after receiving the certified report under
- 14 subsection (1). an official hemp sample is collected under section
- 15 401. If the grower fails is unable to harvest the industrial hemp
- 16 crop lot within the 15 days, 30-day period because of any of the
- 17 following, the grower may submit a request for to the department to
- 18 collect a second collection of a official hemp sample under section
- 19 401: . The
- 20 (a) Weather.
- 21 (b) Agricultural practices.
- 22 (c) Equipment failure.
- 23 (d) Any other reason approved by the department.
- 24 (4) A second official hemp sample collected under subsection
- 25 (3) must be tested under section 403, and the grower must harvest
- 26 the remaining industrial hemp erop—lot within 15-30 days after
- 27 receiving a second certified report. the second official sample is
- 28 collected under section 401. A grower shall not request the
- 29 department to collect a second official sample for testing under

- 1 subsection (3) unless both of the following apply:
- 2 (a) The grower is in good standing with the department.
- 3 (b) The request to collect a second official sample is not for
- 4 the purpose of delaying the harvest to increase cannabinoid
- 5 concentration.
- 6 Sec. 407. (1) A grower that receives a certified report under
- 7 section 405(2) shall, destroy that crop within 15-30 days using 1
- 8 of the following methods:after receiving the certified report,
- 9 dispose of the noncompliant hemp lot under subsection (2) or
- 10 remediate the noncompliant industrial hemp lot under subsection
- 11 (3).
- 12 (2) Except as provided in subsection (8), a grower shall
- 13 dispose of a noncompliant industrial hemp lot using 1 of the
- 14 following methods:
- 15 (a) Plowing under using a curved plow blade to rotate the
- 16 subsoil to the surface and bury the industrial hemp below the
- 17 subsoil.
- 18 (b) Mulching, disking, or composting the industrial hemp and
- 19 blending the industrial hemp with existing soil, manure, or other
- 20 biomass material.
- 21 (c) Mowing, shredding, deep burial, or burning.
- 22 (3) Except as provided in subsection (8), a grower shall
- 23 remediate a noncompliant industrial hemp lot using 1 of the
- 24 following methods:
- 25 (a) Removing all of the floral material and disposing of it
- 26 under subsection (2).
- 27 (b) Shredding the industrial hemp plant into a biomass-like
- 28 material.
- 29 (4) If a grower remediates a noncompliant industrial hemp lot

- 1 under subsection (3), the grower shall contact the department to
- 2 collect an official hemp sample of the industrial hemp lot under
- 3 section 401. The official hemp sample must be tested by a
- 4 regulatory testing facility under section 403. If the results of
- 5 the total delta-9-THC test indicate a total delta-9-THC
- 6 concentration of not more than the acceptable THC level, the grower
- 7 must harvest the industrial hemp lot within 30 days after the
- 8 official hemp sample is collected under this section. If the
- 9 results of the total delta-9-THC test indicate a total delta-9-THC
- 10 concentration that is greater than the acceptable THC level, the
- 11 grower must dispose of the industrial hemp lot under subsection
- 12 (2). The regulatory testing facility shall provide the grower and
- 13 the department a certified report that states the results of any
- 14 total delta-9-THC test completed under this subsection.
- 15 (5) (2) The industrial hemp destroyed disposed of under
- 16 subsection $\frac{(1)}{(2)}$ must be rendered $\frac{1}{2}$ must be rendered $\frac{1}{2}$
- 17 not ingestible.noningestible.
- 18 (6) (3)—A grower that destroys—disposes of industrial hemp
- 19 under subsection (2) shall do both of the following:
- 20 (a) Submit a notice of intent to dispose to the department at
- 21 least 48 hours before destroying disposing of the industrial hemp.
- 22 The grower shall submit the notice in of intent to dispose on a
- 23 form and in a manner provided by the department. The grower shall
- 24 include in the notice the reason for the destruction of the
- 25 industrial hemp.
- 26 (b) Submit a notice of disposal to the USDA and the department
- 27 a destruction report within 48 hours after the industrial hemp is
- 28 disposed of under subsection (2) that contains all of the following
- 29 information:

- 1 (i) The date of the disposal.
- (ii) The method of disposal.
- 3 (iii) The total acreage or square footage disposed of.
- 4 (iv) A copy of the certified report under section 405(2). The 5 reason for disposal.
- 6 (v) Photographic or video evidence of the disposal.
- 7 (7) The grower shall allow an agent of the department to be 8 present during any disposal or remediation activities conducted 9 under this section.
- 10 (8) Industrial hemp that is disposed of for any of the
 11 following reasons is not subject to the disposal requirements under
 12 this section:
- 13 (a) Poor health.
- 14 (b) Pests.
- 15 (c) Disease.
- 16 (d) Weather.
- 17 (e) To prevent cross-pollination of male or hermaphrodite 18 industrial hemp plants.
- Sec. 503. (1) By the first of each month, the department shall report all of the following to the USDA:
- (a) For each grower, the information provided on anapplication submitted under section 201.
- 23 (b) Each grower's registration number.
- 24 (c) The status of each grower registration.
- (d) Any changes or updates to a grower's information providedunder subdivision (a).
- (e) An indication that there were no changes or updates to thereports previously submitted under this subsection, if applicable.
- (f) The date for which the information contained in

- 1 subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d) is current.
- 2 (g) The period covered by the report.
- 3 (2) If a grower is required to destroy dispose of an
- 4 industrial hemp croplot under section 407, by the first of each
- 5 month, the department shall report all of the following to the
- 6 USDA:
- 7 (a) The information provided on the grower's application
- 8 submitted under section 201.
- **9** (b) The grower's registration number.
- 10 (c) The total acreage or square footage of industrial hemp
- 11 that was destroyed.disposed of.
- 12 (d) The date on which the industrial hemp was destroyed.
- 13 (3) Not later than December 15 of each year, the department
- 14 shall report all of the following information to the USDA:
- 15 (a) The total acreage of industrial hemp that was grown in the
- 16 immediately preceding growing season.
- 17 (b) The total acreage of industrial hemp that was harvested in
- 18 the immediately preceding growing season.
- 19 (c) The total acreage of industrial hemp that was disposed of
- 20 in the immediately preceding growing season.
- 21 Sec. 509. (1) The department's testing laboratory is the
- 22 official regulatory laboratory testing facility for testing
- 23 official hemp samples under chapter IV.
- 24 (2) The department may contract with a third-party laboratory
- 25 to conduct the testing of official hemp samples under chapter IV. A
- 26 third-party laboratory must meet all of the following requirements:
- 27 (a) Be registered with the DEA.
- 28 (b) Meet the standards under chapter IV.
- 29 (c) Provide copies of any a certified report that states the

- 1 results of a total delta-9-THC test completed under section 403.
- 2 Sec. 511. (1) A grower is subject to the following fees, as applicable:
- **4** (a) A registration fee of \$1,250.00.
- (b) A site growing location modification fee of \$50.00 for
 each growing location modification request form submitted under
 section 311.
- 8 (2) A grower shall pay a fee required under this act at the
 9 time an application is submitted under section 201 or at the time
 10 the growing location modification request form is submitted under
 11 section 311. The fee must be paid with a check or money order
 12 payable to this state.using a method prescribed by the department.
- 13 (3) A fee required under this act is nonrefundable and 14 nontransferable.
- 15 (4) A grower shall pay a fee charged for total delta-9-THC
 16 testing under chapter IV within 15 days after receiving the
 17 invoice. A fee under this subsection is limited to the reasonable costs of conducting the testing.
- 19 (5) The department A grower shall charge a pay a fee charged
 20 for the collection of an official hemp sample within 15 days after
 21 receiving the invoice. A fee under this subsection is limited to
 22 the reasonable sampling fee not to exceed the costs of collecting
 23 the sampling official hemp sample.
- 24 (6) The department may refer a fee charged under subsection 25 (4) or (5) that remains unpaid for more than 180 days to the 26 department of treasury for collection.
- 27 Sec. 601. (1) A grower negligently violates the program this 28 act if the grower does any of the following:
- 29 (a) Fails to provide a legal description for each field,

- 1 greenhouse, building, or other location where industrial hemp will
- 2 be grown under section 201.
- 3 (b) Fails to obtain a registration.
- 4 (c) Grows industrial hemp that exceeds the acceptable THC
- 5 level but does not have more than 1.0% total delta-9-THC on a dry 6 weight basis.
- 7 (2) If a grower violates subsection (1), the department shall
- 8 issue the grower a notice of violation and the terms of a
- 9 corrective action plan. The grower must comply with the terms of
- 10 the corrective action plan.
- 11 (3) The department shall develop a corrective action plan
- 12 under subsection (2) that includes the following terms:
- 13 (a) A reasonable date by which the grower will correct the
- 14 negligent violation.
- 15 (b) A requirement that for not less than 2 years after a
- 16 violation under subsection (1), the grower shall make periodic
- 17 reports to the department about the grower's progress and
- 18 compliance with the requirements of the corrective action plan.
- 19 (4) A grower that negligently violates the industrial hemp
- 20 plan this act 3 times in a 5-year period is ineligible to grow hemp
- 21 register as a grower for 5 years from the date of the third
- 22 violation.
- 23 (5) A negligent violation under this section is not subject to
- 24 criminal enforcement. A grower is not subject to more than 1
- 25 negligent violation per growing season.
- 26 (6) Violations other than those listed in subsection (1) may
- 27 be determined to be negligent. If the department has a reasonable
- 28 suspicion that a grower is violating this act, the department may
- 29 issue a cease and desist order, either orally or in writing. The

- 1 department must inform the grower of the reasons for the cease and
- 2 desist order. A cease and desist order issued under this subsection
- 3 is effective immediately, and failure to comply may subject the
- 4 grower to an administrative fine under section 609.
- 5 Sec. 603. (1) If any of the following allegations are made
- 6 concerning a grower, the department shall investigate and may
- 7 suspend the grower's registration for not more than 60 days:
- 8 (a) The grower intentionally grew or was in possession of
- 9 cannabis with a total delta-9-THC content greater than the
- 10 acceptable THC level.
- 11 (b) The grower violated a provision of this act.
- 12 (c) The grower made a false or misleading statement, as
- 13 determined by the department, to the department or a law
- 14 enforcement agency.
- 15 (d) The grower failed to comply with an order from the
- 16 department or a law enforcement agency.
- 17 (2) If the department suspends a registration under this
- 18 section, the department shall notify the grower in writing that the
- 19 registration is suspended.
- 20 (3) If a registration is suspended under this section, the
- 21 grower shall not harvest or remove industrial hemp from the
- 22 location where the industrial hemp was located at the time the
- 23 department issued the notice of suspension, except as authorized in
- 24 writing by the department.
- Sec. 605. (1) The department shall not permanently revoke a
- 26 registration suspended under section 603 unless the department
- 27 notifies the grower of the allegation against the grower and gives
- 28 the grower an opportunity for a hearing to appeal the revocation.
- 29 (2) The department shall schedule a hearing on a revocation

- 1 under subsection (1) for a date as soon as practicable that is not
- 2 more than 60 days after the date of notification of a registration
- 3 suspension.
- 4 (3) The department shall conduct the hearing required under
- 5 this section pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
- 6 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- 7 (4) If the department finds by a preponderance of the evidence
- 8 that an allegation under section 603(1) is true, the department
- 9 shall revoke the registration. The revocation is effective
- 10 immediately, and the department or a law enforcement agency must do
- 11 either of the following:
- (a) Order order the grower to destroy dispose of all cannabis
- 13 that is in the grower's possession under section 407.
- 14 (b) Confiscate all cannabis that is in the grower's
- 15 possession.
- 16 (5) The department or a law enforcement agency shall not
- 17 compensate or indemnify the value of the cannabis that is destroyed
- 18 or confiscated under this section.
- 19 (6) If the department revokes a registration, the grower is
- 20 barred from participating in the program in any capacity for a
- 21 minimum of 5 years from the date on which the registration was
- 22 revoked.
- 23 (7) If the department does not find by a preponderance of the
- 24 evidence that an allegation under section 603(1) is true, the
- 25 department shall remove the suspension imposed under section 603
- 26 within 24 hours of the department's determination.
- 27 (8) If a grower violates the program this act 3 times within a
- 28 5-year period, the grower is barred from participating in the
- 29 program in any capacity for a minimum of 5 years from the date of

- 1 the grower's third violation.
- 2 (9) A suspension, revocation, or denial of a license of a
- 3 person who is an individual may result in the suspension,
- 4 revocation, or denial of any other license held or applied for by
- 5 that individual under this act. The license of a corporation,
- 6 partnership, or other association may by suspended when a license
- 7 or license application of a partner, trustee, director or officer,
- 8 member or a person exercising control of the corporation,
- 9 partnership, or other association is suspended, revoked or denied.
- Sec. 609. (1) A Except as provided in subsection (6), a person
- 11 that individually, or by the action of an agent or employee, or as
- 12 the agent or employee of another, negligently or with a culpable
- 13 mental state greater than negligence, violates this act or a rule
- 14 promulgated under this act is subject to an administrative fine. On
- 15 the request of a person to whom an administrative fine is issued,
- 16 the department shall conduct a hearing pursuant to the
- 17 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- 18 24.328. The department shall impose an administrative fine
- 19 authorized under this section as follows:
- 20 (a) For a first violation, an administrative fine of not less
- 21 than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00, plus the actual costs of the
- 22 investigation and double the amount of any economic benefit
- 23 associated with the violation.
- 24 (b) For a second violation that occurs within 5 years after a
- 25 violation under subdivision (a), an administrative fine of not less
- 26 than \$500.00 or more than \$1,000.00, plus the actual costs of the
- 27 investigation and double the amount of any economic benefit
- 28 associated with the violation.
- 29 (c) For a third or subsequent violation that occurs within 5

- 1 years after a violation under subdivision (a), an administrative
- 2 fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$2,000.00, plus the
- 3 actual costs of the investigation and double the amount of any
- 4 economic benefit associated with the violation.
- 5 (2) Any violation made with a culpable mental state greater
- 6 than negligence must be reported The department shall report to the
- 7 attorney general, United States Attorney General, the USDA, and the
- 8 chief law enforcement officer of this state any violation made with
- 9 a culpable mental state greater than negligence.
- 10 (3) A decision of the department under this section is subject
- 11 to judicial review as provided by law.
- 12 (4) The department shall advise the attorney general of the
- 13 failure of any person to pay an administrative fine imposed under
- 14 this section. The attorney general shall bring an action to recover
- 15 the fine.
- 16 (5) Any administrative fine, investigation costs, or recovery
- 17 of an economic benefit associated with a violation that is
- 18 collected under this section must be paid to the state treasury and
- 19 deposited into the fund.
- 20 (6) Except for a negligent violation under section 601(1), and
- 21 in addition to an administrative fine imposed under subsection (1),
- 22 a person that violates or attempts to violate this act is guilty of
- 23 a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days
- or a fine of not more than \$5,000.00, or both.
- 25 (7) The department may file, or cause to be filed through the
- 26 attorney general, a civil action in which the court may impose on a
- 27 person that violates or attempts to violate this part a civil fine
- 28 of not more than \$5,000.00 for each violation or attempted
- 29 violation. The department or attorney general may also bring an

- 1 action to recover the reasonable costs of an investigation from a
- 2 person that violated or attempted to violate this act. Money
- 3 recovered under this subsection must be forwarded to the state
- 4 treasurer for deposit into the fund.
- 5 (8) A person that violates this act is liable for all damages
- 6 sustained by a purchaser of a product sold in violation of this
- 7 act. In an enforcement action, a court, in addition to other
- 8 sanctions provided by law, may order restitution to a party injured
- 9 by the purchase of a product sold in violation of this act.
- 10 (9) In addition to the other remedies provided under this
- 11 section, the department may apply to the circuit court for, and the
- 12 court shall have jurisdiction upon hearing and for cause shown, a
- 13 temporary or permanent injunction restraining a person from
- 14 violating this act or rules promulgated under this act irrespective
- 15 of whether or not there exists an adequate remedy at law.
- 16 (10) As an affirmative defense of an action filed under this
- 17 section, in addition to any other lawful defense, a person may
- 18 present evidence that, at the time of the alleged violation or
- 19 attempted violation, the person was in compliance with this act and
- 20 the rules promulgated under this act
- 21 (11) If the department finds that a person individually, or by
- 22 the action of an agent or employee, or as the agent or employee of
- 23 another, violated this act, but the violation did not result in
- 24 significant harm to public health or the environment, the
- 25 department may issue a warning instead of imposing an
- 26 administrative fine.
- 27 (12) The department may bring an action to enjoin a violation
- 28 of this act or a rule promulgated under this act in the county in
- 29 which the violation occurred or is about to occur.

- 1 (13) The applicable provisions of the revised judicature act 2 of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.101 to 600.9948, apply to civil
- 3 actions filed under this section.
- 4 CHAPTER VIII
- 5 Colleges and Universities
- 6 Sec. 801. (1) A college or university that grows industrial
- 7 hemp for the purpose of conducting research shall do all of the
- 8 following:
- 9 (a) Register as a grower under chapter II.
- 10 (b) Collect samples of each lot of industrial hemp and
- 11 complete a total delta-9-THC test as required under chapter IV. If
- 12 the college or university adopts alternative methods for collecting
- 13 a sample and completing a total delta-9-THC test, the college or
- 14 university does not have to comply with the requirements of chapter
- 15 IV. A total delta-9-THC test conducted under this subdivision must
- 16 achieve a confidence level of 95% with respect to the acceptable
- 17 THC level.
- 18 (c) Dispose of noncompliant industrial hemp under section 407.
- 19 (2) As used in this section, "college or university" means a
- 20 college or university described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article
- 21 VIII of the state constitution of 1963 or a junior college or
- 22 community college established described in section 7 of article
- 23 VIII of the state constitution of 1963.
- 24 Enacting section 1 Section 701 of the industrial hemp growers
- 25 act, 2020 PA 220, MCL 333.29701, is repealed.
- 26 Enacting section 2. Section 801 of the industrial hemp growers
- 27 act, 2020 PA 220, MCL 333.29801, does not take effect unless the
- 28 industrial hemp research and development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL
- 29 286.841 to 286.859, is repealed.