



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5780**

January Session, 2015



**AN ACT LEGALIZING INDUSTRIAL HEMP.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (29) of section 21a-240 of the general statutes  
2 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2015*):

4 (29) "Marijuana" means all parts of any plant, or species of the genus  
5 cannabis or any infra specific taxon thereof, whether growing or not;  
6 the seeds thereof; the resin extracted from any part of the plant; and  
7 every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or  
8 preparation of such plant, its seeds or resin. [It] Marijuana does not  
9 include the mature stalks of such plant, fiber produced from such  
10 stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of such plant, any other  
11 compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of  
12 such mature stalks, except the resin extracted therefrom, fiber, oil, or  
13 cake, [or] the sterilized seed of such plant which is incapable of  
14 germination, or industrial hemp, as defined in 7 USC 5940, as amended  
15 from time to time. Included are cannabimon, cannabimol or cannabidiol  
16 and chemical compounds which are similar to cannabimon, cannabimol  
17 or cannabidiol in chemical structure or which are similar thereto in  
18 physiological effect, and which show a like potential for abuse, which  
19 are controlled substances under this chapter unless modified;

20 Sec. 2. Subdivision (7) of section 21a-240 of the general statutes is  
21 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

22 1, 2015):

23 (7) "Cannabis-type substances" include all parts of any plant, or  
 24 species of the genus cannabis or any infra specific taxon thereof  
 25 whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; the resin extracted from any  
 26 part of such a plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt,  
 27 derivative, mixture or preparation of such plant, its seeds or resin; but  
 28 shall not include the mature stalks of such plant, fiber produced from  
 29 such stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of such plant, any other  
 30 compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of  
 31 such mature stalks, except the resin extracted therefrom, fiber, oil or  
 32 cake, [or] the sterilized seed of such plant which is incapable of  
 33 germination, or industrial hemp, as defined in 7 USC 5940, as amended  
 34 from time to time. Included are cannabimon, cannabimol, cannabidiol  
 35 and chemical compounds which are similar to cannabimon, cannabimol  
 36 or cannabidiol in chemical structure or which are similar thereto in  
 37 physiological effect, and which show a like potential for abuse, which  
 38 are controlled substances under this chapter unless modified;

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                     |             |
| Section 1   | <i>July 1, 2015</i> | 21a-240(29) |
| Sec. 2  | <i>July 1, 2015</i> | 21a-240(7)  |

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

Section 2 was added to amend the definition of "cannabis-type substances", for accuracy and statutory consistency.

**GL**            *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*