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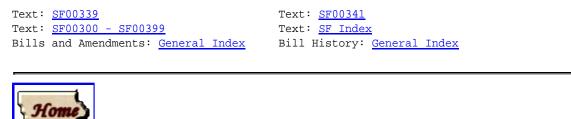
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Bill Text

PAG LIN 1 1 Section 1. INDUSTRIAL HEMP - RESEARCH BY IOWA STATE 1 2 UNIVERSITY. 1. As used in this section, "industrial hemp" means 1 3 4 cannabis sativa L. which has a percentage of 1 1 5 tetrahydrocannabinol of not more than one percent. 2. The general assembly finds that there is a trend among 1 6 1 7 states to consider the economic importance of industrial hemp, 8 which is a major crop in other nations. Industrial hemp 1 1 9 historically has contributed to the economic welfare of this 1 10 country, and is a renewable natural resource manufactured for 1 11 textiles, pulp, paper, oil, and other products. The purpose 1 12 of this Act is to promote the economy of this state by 1 13 providing for research necessary to develop industrial hemp as 1 14 a viable crop. 1 15 3. In carrying out this Act, Iowa state university shall 1 16 do all of the following: 1 17 a. Collaborate with agencies of the United States 1 18 government, including the drug enforcement administration of 1 19 the United States department of justice, in order to produce 1 20 and possess industrial hemp according to the terms and 1 21 conditions required by the United States government. Iowa 1 22 state university may execute any memorandum of understanding 1 23 with a United States government agency in order to carry out 1 24 this section, and may obtain any federal permit or other 1 25 authorization required to carry out this Act. b. Consult with the Iowa department of public safety and 1 26 1 27 other law enforcement agencies and with the department of 1 28 agriculture and land stewardship in carrying out this Act. 1 29 4. Notwithstanding chapter 124, Iowa state university 1 30 shall, to the extent permitted by the United States

1 31 government, conduct research regarding the production and 1 32 marketing of industrial hemp. The research shall include an 1 33 analysis of all of the following: 1 34 a. The production of high quality seed varieties having 1 35 proved adaptation and performance. 2 1 b. The feasibility of producing industrial hemp in this 2 2 state as a profitable cash crop, including the adaptability of 2 3 promising varieties to soils and growing conditions in this 2 4 state. c. The production of industrial hemp having the lowest 2 5 2 6 possible percentage of tetrahydrocannabinol. 2 7 d. The development of good production practices, including 2 8 best management practices for applying nutrients and 2 9 pesticides; strategies to best conserve, maintain, and improve 2 10 soil productivity; and methods to control disease. 2 11 e. The need for and availability of equipment and 2 12 machinery required to efficiently and cost-effectively produce 2 13 and harvest industrial hemp. f. Market conditions affecting the economic viability of 2 14 2 15 industrial hemp production, including the identification of 2 16 markets, the utilization of products, processing methods, and 2 17 other economic factors affecting the profitable marketing of 2 18 industrial hemp. 2 19 5. The research shall be conducted as provided by Iowa 2 20 state university, and may be carried out in part by the Iowa 2 21 agricultural and home economics experiment station, including 2 22 the Leopold center for sustainable agriculture. Research 2 23 shall, to every extent possible, be determined by experimental 2 24 trials when appropriate. The university shall cooperate with 2 25 other states engaged in conducting similar research. The $2\ 26$ university shall seek financial support from public and 2 27 private sources in order to carry out this Act, including 2 28 associations representing agricultural producers. The 2 29 university shall report the findings and recommendations of 2 30 the study to the general assembly not later than January 15, 2 31 1999. 2 32 EXPLANATION 2 33 This section provides for research by Iowa state university 2 34 regarding the production and marketing of industrial hemp 2 35 which has a percentage of tetrahydrocannabinol of not more 3 1 than one percent. The bill notwithstands Iowa's controlled 3 2 substance Act and authorizes the university to collaborate 3 3 with agencies of the United States government in order to 3 4 produce and possess industrial hemp according to the terms and 3 5 conditions required by the United States government. The bill 3 6 requires the university to consult with law enforcement 3 7 agencies and the department of agriculture and land 3 8 stewardship in carrying out the bill's provisions. The bill 3 9 authorizes the university to conduct research regarding the 3 10 production of high quality seed varieties, the feasibility of 3 11 producing industrial hemp in this state as a profitable cash 3 12 crop, the production of industrial hemp having the lowest 3 13 possible percentage of tetrahydrocannabinol, the development 3 14 of good production practices, the need for and availability of 3 15 suitable equipment and machinery, and market conditions 3 16 affecting the economic viability of industrial hemp 3 17 production. The bill requires the university to cooperate 3 18 with other states engaged in conducting similar research, and 3 19 to seek financial support from public and private sources. 3 20 The bill requires the university to report its findings and 3 21 recommendations to the general assembly not later than January 3 22 15, 1999. 3 23 LSB 2211SV 77

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