BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 57th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 2628
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Impact: ODAFF: \$0 Anticipated

Research Analysis

The CCS for HB 2628 modifies language that was passed in SB 868 and signed into law with an emergency clause on April 18.

SB 868 modifies the Oklahoma Industrial Hemp Program so that it is no longer a pilot program and is compliant with federal law. It directs the State Board of Agriculture to consult with the Governor and Attorney General to submit necessary paperwork to the USDA for the approval of the program. It also repeals two sections of law that required the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to 1) establish a certified hemp seed program and 2) to study the feasibility of attracting federal and private funding to implement the pilot program established in 2018.

The CCS makes changes to Sections 4 and 8 of SB 868 by clarifying that under state law licensees can grow industrial hemp for research and under federal law for industry. In addition, the amendment removes language related to testing and disposal.

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Fiscal Analysis

After analysis, the measure has \$0 impact anticipated to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry (ODAFF).

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Other Considerations

None.

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