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Bill Analysis

SB 868 modifies the Oklahoma Industrial Hemp Agricultural Pilot Program and reclassifies it as a permanent program under the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry. The measure creates an Industrial Hemp Grower License, which may be used to grow hemp for commercial purposes using certified seeds.

A person must apply for the license prior to planting and growing hemp. The measure requires the applicant to also submit the applicant's name, a declaration of residency in the state, a statement showing that no employee has a felony conviction under the Controlled Substances Act within the last ten years, and the name of the applicant's employees. Ten days prior to harvest, a licensee must submit a harvest report to the Department.

The Department is also directed to submit a plan to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. The plan shall include provisions related to inspections of hemp growers and producers, testing for impurities and THC, and disposal of waste.

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