

Department of Planning and Budget

2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB2369

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Adams, D.M.

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Medical marijuana program; dispensaries.

5. Summary: Removes the requirement that a cannabis dispensing facility be owned, at least in part, by a pharmaceutical processor and increases from five to 12 the number of cannabis dispensing facility permits the Board of Pharmacy may issue per year in each health service area.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, item 301.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final.

8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of this legislation would have a fiscal impact on the Department of Health Professions. This would increase the number of permits the board may issue by seven per each of the five health service areas, which would be an increase of 35 additional permits. However, it is unknown which processing method would be used at each facility. Different processing methods have different regulations, as such some or more complex and time-consuming than others. While it is unknown which processing method each facility would choose, this would more than double the number of facilities that would require an inspection and therefore an additional inspector is needed. A cost estimate of the position would be \$172,000 in salary, fringe benefits, and agency operational costs. It is assumed that any such application and permitting fees should be sufficient to cover the provisions of this legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.