

Illinois Policy Report

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Cannabis-Consolidate Transport

 Farm Bill

Last Action: March 27, 2026 - Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

In House • 2025-2026 Regular Session • Introduced: January 31, 2025

Sponsors: **Robert A. Rita (D-IL)**

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Committee Assignments:

Senate Executive - Cannabis Subcommittee • House Rules Committee

Bill Forecast

	Likely to reach floor vote 5%		Likely to reach floor vote 5%
In House	Likely to pass chamber 87%	In Senate	Likely to pass chamber 95%

Summary

AI Overview

The document outlines comprehensive regulations governing the cannabis industry in Illinois, focusing on the licensing and operational requirements for various cannabis-related business entities, including cultivation centers, craft growers, infuser organizations, and transporting organizations. Key provisions emphasize the need for secure facilities, operational oversight, and compliance with state laws to ensure the safe handling and distribution of cannabis products.

Consolidated transport centers are required to implement specific operating documents and security plans, with strict guidelines on tracking cannabis products throughout the transportation process. Only licensed transportation organizations are permitted to transport cannabis, and they must adhere to regulations regarding vehicle security and identification protocols for agents. Additionally, all products must be monitored within a cannabis plant tracking system.

The legislation also aims to support social equity applicants, ensuring that individuals impacted by past cannabis-related offenses have opportunities within the industry. Financial provisions allow entities awarded licenses to defer fees for up to three years, easing the initial financial burden on new businesses. Furthermore, certain licensing fees will be waived for a specified period, promoting economic activity in the cannabis sector.

Overall, these regulations are designed to enhance the operational framework of the cannabis industry in Illinois, ensuring compliance, safety, and fair practices while fostering growth and inclusivity within the market. The amendments reflect a significant shift in the regulatory landscape, with an emphasis on accountability and security in cannabis operations.

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IL HB 4818

Cannabis-Transfer Sites

 Marijuana

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In House • 2025-2026 Regular Session • Introduced: February 03, 2026

Sponsors: **Michael Crawford (D-IL)**

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Committee Assignments:

Senate Executive - Cannabis Subcommittee • House Rules Committee

Bill Forecast

 In House	Likely to reach floor vote 20% Likely to pass chamber 87%	 In Senate	Likely to reach floor vote 42% Likely to pass chamber 95%
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Summary

AI Overview

The legislation in Illinois establishes regulations for the legal use, sale, and transportation of cannabis for individuals aged 21 and older, with a focus on public safety, health, and equitable market access. It authorizes the Department of Agriculture to issue transfer site endorsements for licensed cannabis transporters with a social equity designation, enabling secure short-term storage and logistical consolidation of cannabis products. These transfer sites are limited in number and must comply with enhanced security, insurance, and zoning requirements, while remaining subject to seed-to-sale tracking and prohibiting retail sales or processing at these locations.

The regulations also address licensing and operational standards for cannabis cultivation, processing, distribution, and retail establishments. They prioritize applicants from Disproportionately Impacted Areas, incorporating social equity considerations such as residency, criminal history, and family impact factors. Licensing procedures include provisions for handling tied applications through lotteries, and operational limits are set for possession and cultivation.

Impacted industries include cannabis cultivation, processing, transportation, and retail sectors. The new rules aim to promote fair market participation, reduce transportation inefficiencies, and support social equity initiatives, potentially increasing participation from disadvantaged communities. The effective dates for these provisions are aligned with the legislation's enactment, with some rules to be established through future rulemaking processes.

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 [IL HB 4515](#)

Cannabis-Comm Coll Voc Prog

 Hemp

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In House • 2025-2026 Regular Session • Introduced: January 21, 2026

Sponsors: **La Shawn K. Ford (D-IL)**, **Michael Crawford (D-IL)**

Co-sponsors: **Lisa Davis (D-IL)**, **Daniel Didech (D-IL)**, **Diane Blair-Sherlock (D-IL)**, **Rick Ryan (D-IL)**, **Aaron Manuel Ortiz (D-IL)**, **Lilian Jimenez (D-IL)**

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Committee Assignments:

House Rules Committee • Senate Executive - Cannabis Subcommittee

Bill Forecast

 In House	Likely to reach floor vote 77% Likely to pass chamber 50%	 In Senate	Likely to reach floor vote 81% Likely to pass chamber 86%
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Summary

 **AI Overview**

The document outlines significant amendments to the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act in Illinois, focusing on enhancing cannabis education, training, and support for social equity in the industry. A key change is the establishment of a permanent Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Program, which will receive grants from the Cannabis Business Development Fund to support community colleges in providing vocational training related to cannabis.

Additionally, the amendments introduce a Cannabis Business Development Fund aimed at supporting Qualified Social Equity Applicants, who are individuals or entities impacted by past cannabis laws. This fund will provide low-interest loans and grants to assist these applicants in starting and operating cannabis businesses, as well as cover outreach efforts related to the program.

The document also emphasizes targeted support for minorities, women, veterans, and individuals with disabilities, addressing barriers to participation in the cannabis industry. Financial allocations include a mandated transfer of \$40 million from the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund to the Cannabis Business Development Fund, which will be used to establish grant and loan programs for social equity applicants and community colleges.

Furthermore, regulations are outlined for the Community College Cannabis Vocational

Training Pilot Program and laboratory testing of cannabis. The Department is tasked with establishing rules for agent identification cards and ensuring that cannabis testing facilities operate independently and meet accreditation standards. These changes aim to improve compliance and operational standards within the cannabis industry while fostering equity and educational opportunities.

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IL HB 4306

Cannabis Reform

 Hemp

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Sponsors: **Bob Morgan (D- IL)**



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Committee Assignments:

House Rules Committee • Senate Executive - Cannabis Subcommittee

Bill Forecast

 In House	Likely to reach floor vote 27% Likely to pass chamber 87%	 In Senate	Likely to reach floor vote 36% Likely to pass chamber 95%
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Summary

AI Overview

The document outlines significant amendments to tax regulations and operational requirements for the cannabis industry in Illinois. Effective July 1, 2026, cannabis purchased by qualified patients and caregivers will be classified as "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs," aligning it with other medical products for tax purposes. This change will necessitate adjustments in compliance and operational practices for businesses in the cannabis sector. Additionally, a general tax rate of 6.25% on tangible personal property will be implemented starting January 1, 2025, while certain food items will be taxed at 0% beginning January 1, 2026.

The regulations also detail the operational protocols for medical cannabis cultivation centers and dispensing organizations. Individuals with certain felony convictions will be disqualified from operating cultivation centers, and new permit issuance will cease on July 1, 2026. Dispensing organizations must transition to Adult Use Dispensing Organization licenses by the same date, allowing them to sell cannabis products to adults aged 21 and older. These organizations are required to maintain adequate supplies for qualifying patients and caregivers and to submit a Social Equity Inclusion Plan as part of the licensing process.

Furthermore, the document emphasizes the importance of social equity within the cannabis industry, mandating that applicants demonstrate diversity and fair labor practices. Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses will be allocated to Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicants, particularly in the Chicago-Naperville-Elgin area. Dispensaries must implement patient prioritization plans by October 1, 2026, to ensure access for qualifying patients and caregivers.

Retailers in the cannabis market are required to collect and remit taxes, adhering to specific filing requirements. Compliance with tax obligations is crucial, as non-compliance can lead to significant financial implications. The regulations aim to ensure proper tax collection and maintain order within the cannabis market while promoting accountability and operational integrity across all sectors of the industry.

Overall, these amendments and regulations represent a comprehensive approach to the evolving cannabis landscape in Illinois, focusing on compliance, social equity, and the establishment of a regulated market that addresses the needs of qualified individuals and communities affected by past cannabis-related offenses.