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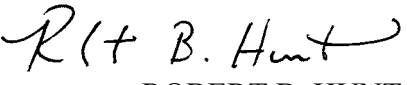
No. 845

H.P. 534

House of Representatives, February 21, 2023

An Act to Require Labeling and Signs to Warn Consumers About the Harmful Effects of Cannabis on Animals

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.


ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CARLOW of Buxton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: CYRWAY of Albion, MORRIS of Turner, POIRIER of Skowhegan.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 28-B MRSA §701, sub-§1, ¶K, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6 and amended by PL 2021, c. 669, §5, is further amended to read:

K. For edible cannabis products, a nutritional fact panel; and

Sec. 2. 28-B MRSA §701, sub-§1, ¶K-1 is enacted to read:

K-1. The following statement made in clear and conspicuous writing: "This product contains tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, which is harmful to animals even in residual amounts."; and

Sec. 3. 28-B MRSA §702, sub-§2, ¶C, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

C. A prohibition on opt-in advertising or marketing that does not permit an easy and permanent opt-out feature; ~~and~~

Sec. 4. 28-B MRSA §702, sub-§2, ¶D, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 409, Pt. A, §6, is amended to read:

D. A prohibition on advertising or marketing directed toward location-based devices, including, but not limited to, cellular telephones, unless the marketing is a mobile device application installed on the device by the owner of the device who is 21 years of age or older and includes a permanent and easy opt-out feature; and

Sec. 5. 28-B MRSA §702, sub-§2, ¶E is enacted to read:

E. Requiring a cannabis store to place in clear public view in the store a sign that states: "Products sold in this store may contain tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, which is harmful to animals even in residual amounts."

SUMMARY

This bill requires cannabis stores to label their adult use cannabis and adult use cannabis products with a message stating that the products contain or may contain tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, which is harmful to animals even in residual amounts, and to place signs in the store with the same message.