

# HOUSE BACKGROUND SUMMARY

## ESHB 1551

**As Passed House:**

March 5, 2025

**Title:** An act relating to extending the cannabis social equity program to evaluate the program and implement efficiencies.

**Brief Description:** Extending the cannabis social equity program.

**Sponsors:** House Committee on Consumer Protection & Business (originally sponsored by Representatives Reeves, Entenman, Morgan, Kloba, Ormsby, Santos, Doglio and Hill).

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:**

Consumer Protection & Business: 2/4/25, 2/19/25 [DPS].

**Floor Activity:**

Passed House: 3/5/25, 57-39.

**Voting Yea:** Representatives Berg, Bergquist, Bernbaum, Berry, Bronoske, Callan, Cortes, Davis, Doglio, Donaghy, Duerr, Entenman, Farivar, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Fosse, Goodman, Gregerson, Hill, Hunt, Kloba, Leavitt, Lekanoff, Macri, Mena, Morgan, Nance, Obras, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Parshley, Paul, Peterson, Pollet, Ramel, Reed, Reeves, Richards, Rule, Ryu, Salahuddin, Santos, Scott, Shavers, Springer, Stearns, Stonier, Street, Taylor, Thai, Tharinger, Thomas, Timmons, Walen, Wylie, Zahn and Jinkins

**Voting Nay:** Representatives Abbarno, Abell, Barkis, Barnard, Burnett, Caldier, Chase, Connors, Corry, Couture, Dent, Dufault, Dye, Engell, Eslick, Graham, Griffey, Jacobsen, Keaton, Klicker, Ley, Low, Manjarrez, Marshall, McClintock, McEntire, Mendoza, Orcutt, Penner, Rude, Schmick, Schmidt, Steele, Stokesbary, Stuebe, Volz, Walsh, Waters and Ybarra

**Absent:**

**Excused:** Representatives Hackney and Simmons

**Persons Testifying:** (In support) Representative Kristine Reeves, prime sponsor; and Paula Sardinias, FMS Global Strategies.

(Opposed) Peter Manning, Black Excellence In Cannabis; Mike Asai, Black Excellence In Cannabis; Suzanne Brown; and Jeremy Larson, Dondo Enterprises, LLC.

(Other) Caitlein Ryan; Rolando Rodriguez, Green Roads Cannabis; Micah Sherman; Jessica Pichardo, and Canna Luz.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** None.