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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Agriculture (Steube) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 73 - 124
and insert:
who invest in such projects.

(5) The universities' respective research offices shall oversee the pilot projects and ensure compliance with department rule. The offices must identify a contact person who is responsible for oversight of the pilot project. Each university research office shall adopt procedures and guidelines to ensure the proper operation of the pilot project, the proper handling



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12 of hemp material and products, compliance with state and federal
13 law, and the safety and security of the pilot project
14 facilities. At a minimum, the guidelines must meet all of the
15 following requirements:

16 (a) Designate the physical location, Global Positioning
17 System position, and map of the pilot project facility. Areas
18 within the facility must be designated as general access or
19 limited access. An area where hemp material is cultivated,
20 processed, stored, or packaged or where industrial hemp research
21 is conducted must be designated as limited access. Limited-
22 access areas must be restricted to entry by qualified program
23 personnel and authorized visitors accompanied at all times by
24 qualified program personnel. All other areas of the facility may
25 be designated as general access and are open to authorized
26 visitors, regardless of whether accompanied by qualified program
27 personnel.

28 (b) Identify the qualified program personnel involved in
29 the pilot projects. The personnel must have successfully
30 completed a level 2 screening pursuant to s. 435.04. Owners and
31 employees of companies directly involved in the pilot projects
32 must comply with this requirement.

33 (c) Authorize the qualified program personnel to handle,
34 grow, cultivate, process, and manufacture hemp materials.

35 (d) Establish minimum security standards for the handling
36 of industrial hemp, including:

37 1. Processing and disposal requirements for any waste that
38 contains hemp material.

39 2. Storage, testing, research, and transportation
40 requirements for hemp material.



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41 3. Packaging, labeling, and tracking requirements for hemp
42 material.

43 (e) Establish a testing program and protocols to ensure the
44 proper labeling of hemp material.

45 (f) Establish guidelines for attracting successful,
46 entrepreneurial, and experienced public and private investors
47 and partners who are interested in pursuing an industrial hemp
48 pilot project with either university.

49 (6) Each university that implements an industrial hemp
50 pilot project shall submit a report to the Governor, the
51 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
52 Representatives on the status of its pilot project and any
53 research related to the cultivation, harvesting, processing, and
54 uses of industrial hemp. The report must be prepared and
55 submitted within 2 years after the pilot project's creation.

56 (7) A project implemented under this section may not be
57 funded with public funds.

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59 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

60 And the title is amended as follows:

61 Delete lines 14 - 19

62 and insert:

63 with certain entities; requiring the universities to
64 establish guidelines for the approval, oversight, and
65 enforcement of pilot project rules; requiring a report
66 to the Governor and the Legislature; prohibiting
67 projects from being funded with public funds;
68 providing an