Amendment No. 395

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 342	(BDR 56-1024)					
Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Judiciary						
Amends: Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorsl	nip: No Digest: Yes					

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of <u>green bold underlining</u> is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) <u>red strikethrough</u> is deleted language in the original bill; (4) <u>purple double strikethrough</u> is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) <u>orange double underlining</u> is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

SJQ/BAW Date: 4/17/2023

A.B. No. 342—Requires an adult-use cannabis retail store and cannabis consumption lounge to take certain actions to verify the age of a consumer before selling cannabis or a cannabis product.

(BDR 56-1024)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 342—ASSEMBLYMEN HIBBETTS, YUREK, HARDY; GURR AND HAFEN

MARCH 20, 2023

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requires [an adult-use cannabis retail store and cannabis consumption lounge] a cannabis establishment agent to take certain actions to verify the age of a consumer before selling cannabis or a cannabis product. (BDR 56-1024)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to cannabis; requiring [an adult-use cannabis retail store and cannabis consumption lounge to take certain actions] a cannabis establishment agent to verify the age of a consumer before selling cannabis or a cannabis product to the consumer; [requiring the Cannabis Compliance Board to adopt regulations] setting forth [standards for an independent, third party] the method by which the age verification [service to be used by an adult-use cannabis retail store and cannabis consumption lounge;] is required to be performed; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing [law exempts a person who is 21 years of age or older from certain offenses relating to] regulations of the Cannabis Compliance Board require a cannabis [. (NRS 678D.200) Existing law sets forth various requirements for the sale of] establishment agent, before selling cannabis [and] or cannabis products to [consumers by a cannabis sales facility, including an adult use cannabis retail store and a cannabis consumption lounge, (NRS 678D.520, 678D.470, 678D.475) This bill requires an adult use cannabis retail store and cannabis consumption lounge, before selling cannabis or a cannabis product, to: (1) require the consumer to present a] a consumer, to verify the age of the consumer by checking a government-issued identification [; and (2) perform an age verification through an independent, third party age verification service that establishes that] containing a photograph of the consumer [is 21 years of age or older. This bill also requires the Cannabis Compliance Board to adopt regulations setting forth standards for such an age verification service-] using an identification scanner approved by an appropriate agent of the Board to determine the validity of any government-issued identification. (Nevada Cannabis Compliance Regulations § 7.015) This bill codifies that requirement in statute.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter [678D] 678B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

[1.] Before [an adult-use cannabis retail store or cannabis consumption lounge sells] a cannabis establishment agent sells cannabis or a cannabis product to a consumer, the [adult-use cannabis retail store or cannabis consumption lounge] cannabis establishment agent shall [#]

(a) Require] verify the age of the consumer [to present a] by checking a government-issued identification [: and

(b) Perform an age verification through an independent, third-party age verification service that compares information available from public records to the personal information obtained from the] that contains a photograph of the consumer using an identification scanner which has been approved by an appropriate agent of the Board to determine the validity of any government-issued identification. [that establishes that the consumer is 21 years of age or older.

2. The Board shall adopt regulations prescribing standards for an independent, third-party age verification service required to be used by an adultuse cannabis retail store and cannabis consumption lounge pursuant to subsection 1. The standards must require such an age verification service to verify the age of consumers with not less than 95 percent accuracy.]

- Sec. 2. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and approval.
- 2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective:
- (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
 - (b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.