

HB 620 -- Industrial Hemp

Sponsor: Holsman

This bill defines "industrial hemp" as cannabis sativa L. containing no greater than 1% tetrahydrocannabinols (THC) and exempts it from the varieties of cannabis that are classified as controlled substances. Any person who has not been convicted of a felony offense or a misdemeanor drug-related offense may legally grow and cultivate industrial hemp.

When a person is charged with possession of a controlled substance and he or she claims the substance was industrial hemp, the burden of proof will be on the person to prove that the substance was industrial hemp and not a controlled substance.