



Illinois Cannabis & Hemp Legislative Tracker

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Prepared in the Grown In style for strategy, policy monitoring, and stakeholder outreach

Advisory framing

Each entry pairs the bill with a practical explanation of the proposal, likely business or policy impact, and sponsor-office outreach details.

Market structure

Several proposals move hemp away from informal retail and toward licensed, age-gated, tested channels.

Guardrails

Product-form limits, youth protections, synthetic-hemp restrictions, and packaging rules remain central.

Local leverage

Hospitality, enforcement, and local commission models still leave major room for municipal choice.

Status snapshots follow the uploaded tracker draft and are intended for strategic monitoring, not legal advice.

House sponsor tracker

A practical sponsor-by-sponsor read of the House measures, organized for outreach and strategic monitoring.

Bill / status	Sponsor / email	What it proposes	Potential impact	Office addresses
HB0001 HEMP CANNABINOIDS-MINORS <i>House Rules Committee (1/09/2025)</i> Focus: Licensing / age gate	Rep. Rita Mayfield 60thdistrict@gmail.com	Creates a licensed adult-only hemp retail regime. Sales and possession would be limited to people age 21 and over, with hemp retailer licenses through IDFPR, ready-to-eat hemp food licensing through DPH, age verification, and state enforcement authority.	Would shift hemp cannabinoids out of the gray market and into a regulated adult-use channel. That supports compliant operators and brand builders, but it creates real pressure for convenience, smoke-shop, and informal sellers that cannot meet licensing and age-gating requirements.	Springfield 229-E Stratton Office Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 120 S. Genesee St., Waukegan, IL 60085
HB0001 HEMP CANNABINOIDS-MINORS <i>House Rules Committee (1/09/2025)</i> Focus: Licensing / age gate	Rep. La Shawn K. Ford repford@lashawnford.com	Creates a licensed adult-only hemp retail regime. Sales and possession would be limited to people age 21 and over, with hemp retailer licenses through IDFPR, ready-to-eat hemp food licensing through DPH, age verification, and state enforcement authority.	Would shift hemp cannabinoids out of the gray market and into a regulated adult-use channel. That supports compliant operators and brand builders, but it creates real pressure for convenience, smoke-shop, and informal sellers that cannot meet licensing and age-gating requirements.	Springfield 239-E Stratton Office Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 5500 W. Madison St., Chicago, IL 60644
HB0064 HEMP REGULATION REFORM <i>Re-referred to House Rules (3/27/2026)</i> Focus: Compliance pathway	Rep. Sonya M. Harper repsonyaharper@gmail.com	Clarifies that federally compliant hemp products are not automatically adulterated, while also updating Illinois hemp law to federal standards, directing retail rules, adding labeling requirements, and barring ingestible or inhalable hemp cannabinoid sales to people under 21.	Creates a legal pathway for hemp products, but only with stronger compliance. The bill could stabilize market access for disciplined manufacturers and retailers while increasing enforcement pressure on sellers with weak packaging, testing, or age-verification practices.	Springfield 274-S Stratton Office Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 2015 W. 63rd St., Chicago, IL 60636
HB4478 CANNABIS-VARIOUS <i>Re-referred to House Rules (3/27/2026)</i> Focus: Tax / medical / structure	Rep. Justin Slaughter justin@repslaughters.com	Rewrites major pieces of Illinois cannabis law, including tax treatment, local taxing authority, medical-program provisions, opioid alternative program language, and certain license-merger and operational rules.	Could materially affect operator economics and market structure. Lower tax friction, streamlined medical rules, and greater restructuring flexibility would help established companies, while municipal revenue assumptions and competitive dynamics could shift.	Springfield 249-E Stratton Office Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 1234 W. 95th St., Chicago, IL 60643
HB4501 CANNABIS-ACCIDENTAL INGESTION <i>Re-referred to House Rules (3/27/2026)</i> Focus: Child safety / warnings	Rep. Norma Hernandez district@repnormahernandez.com	Adds child-safety requirements for cannabis retailers and products, including locked-storage education and placards, sale of lockable opaque storage containers in certain dispensaries, and updated product warnings with Poison Center language.	Mainly a compliance and public-safety bill. Expect modest cost increases around signage, inventory, packaging copy, and staff education rather than a major expansion or contraction of the market.	Springfield 251-E Stratton Office Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 125 N. 19th Avenue, Ste. B, Melrose Park, IL 60160
HB5452 HEMP PRODUCTS COMMISSION <i>Re-referred to House Rules (3/27/2026)</i> Focus: Commission / licensing	Rep. Theresa Mah office@reptheresamah.com	Creates a Hemp Products Commission within Illinois' liquor-control framework and adds local hemp commissions, new license classes, 21-plus sales rules, taxation, testing, labeling, advertising, recordkeeping, and social-equity provisions. Effective January 1, 2027.	One of the biggest structural hemp bills on the list. It would formalize the market and create a clearer operating framework, but with materially higher licensing, compliance, and local-control burdens.	Springfield 109 Capitol Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 2108 W. 35th St., Chicago, IL 60609

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HB5731 CANNABIS HOSPITALITY <i>House Rules Committee (3/20/2026)</i> Focus: Hospitality / events	Rep. Jawaharial Williams RepWilliamsOffice@gmail.com	Creates an on-premise cannabis consumption framework allowing municipalities and counties to license temporary cannabis events and hospitality venues once they adopt qualifying ordinances.	Opens a new hospitality and events channel for venues, municipalities, and brands. The opportunity is meaningful, but rollout would depend heavily on local opt-in and local rulemaking.	Springfield 256-W Stratton Office Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 2532 W. Warren Blvd., Suite A, Chicago, IL 60612

Senate sponsor tracker

A practical sponsor-by-sponsor read of the Senate measures, organized for outreach and strategic monitoring.

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SB0042 VEH CD-CANNABIS IN VEHICLE <i>House Rules after Senate passage (5/23/2025)</i> Focus: Transport / policing	Sen. Rachel Ventura info@senatorventura.com	Removes the odor-proof container rule for cannabis in vehicles and bars odor alone as the basis for stopping, detaining, searching, or inspecting vehicles occupied by adults 21 and over.	Mostly a policing and civil-liberties bill, but it also normalizes legal cannabis transport. It could reduce consumer friction while forcing updates to enforcement practices and public guidance.	Springfield 119-B Capitol Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 221 Springfield Ave., Unit 3, Joliet, IL 60435
SB1775 HEMP REGULATION REFORM <i>Senate Assignments (2/06/2025)</i> Focus: Compliance pathway	Sen. Willie Preston Mariah@SenatorPreston.com	Senate version of hemp regulation reform. Aligns Illinois hemp law with federal standards, directs rules for retail distribution, adds labeling requirements, and bars certain hemp cannabinoid sales to people under 21.	Suggests a regulated-pathway model for hemp rather than prohibition. Could help compliant operators gain certainty while increasing pressure on retailers lacking packaging, testing, and age-control systems.	Springfield 537 Capitol Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 8500 S. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, IL 60652
SB3377 INDUSTRIAL HEMP ACT <i>To Senate Cannabis Committee (2/18/2026)</i> Focus: Market structure / equity	Sen. Emil Jones III ejones3@senatedem.ilga.gov	Creates a broad hemp framework covering licensing, product regulation, age verification, enforcement, tax treatment, liquor-channel participation, a Hemp Social Equity Fund, and an income-tax deduction tied to priority-population-owned businesses.	Potentially one of the most market-shaping hemp proposals. It could expand legitimate channels, especially beverage and liquor-adjacent distribution, while favoring operators with capital, legal support, and robust compliance systems.	Springfield 119-A Capitol Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 845 W. 115th St., Chicago, IL 60643
SB3919 REGULATING HEMP <i>To Senate Cannabis Committee (2/25/2026)</i> Focus: Testing / synthetic ban	Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford constituentservices@senatorlightford.com	Defines intoxicating hemp and synthetic hemp products, requires testing, labeling, child-resistant packaging, and child-safe branding rules, prohibits sales to under-21 consumers, and bans synthetic hemp products.	Would tighten the hemp-derived intoxicant market and likely reduce risky SKUs. Stronger operators may benefit from a cleaner regulated field, while synthetic or lightly documented products would face major headwinds.	Springfield 325-E Capitol Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District High Point Plaza, 4415 Harrison St., Suite 550, Hillside, IL 60162
SB2725 INDUST HEMP-CAFFEINATED BEV <i>Senate Assignments (10/28/2025)</i> Focus: Beverage restrictions	Sen. Julie A. Morrison ilsenate29@gmail.com	Prohibits hemp cannabinoids from being sold in containers that contain caffeine, including ready-to-drink beverages, and defines hemp cannabinoid around naturally occurring non-intoxicating compounds.	Directly challenges current hemp beverage strategy. Brands built around caffeinated RTD or functional beverage concepts would likely need reformulation, repackaging, or product-line changes.	Springfield 311 Capitol Building, Springfield, IL 62706 District 400 Lake Cook Rd., Suite 100B, Deerfield, IL 60015