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Proposed law provides that any laboratory that tests marijuana or marijuana preparations produced and distributed under the state-sponsored medical marijuana program, and any employee, board member, director, or agent of a testing laboratory pursuant to present law, are not subject to arrest or prosecution for possession or transportation of marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia under proposed law. Proposed law further provides that this defense is a complete bar to arrest and prosecution. Proposed law does not prevent the imposition of penalties for diversion of marijuana or other conduct outside the scope of the state-sponsored medical marijuana program or for violations of Board of Pharmacy rules and regulations.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:966(I))