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Abstract: Levies a 7% tax on the gross sales of therapeutic marijuana and dedicates the avails of the tax into the New Opportunities Waiver Fund.

<u>Present law</u> establishes an annual license fee of \$100,000 for a license to produce marijuana for therapeutic use, an annual permit fee of \$100 for the administrative and inspection costs associated with producing marijuana for therapeutic use, and a nonrefundable application fee of \$10,000 to apply for the license to produce marijuana for therapeutic use. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> mandates that the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry receive an amount not to exceed 7% of the gross sales of therapeutic marijuana.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> to levy a tax of 7% of the gross sales of therapeutic marijuana and dedicates the avails of the tax into the New Opportunities Waiver Fund.

Effective July 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 40:1046(H)(8)(a))