The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that for the years of 2020 to 2024, the commissioner shall submit an annual report on the status of the state's industrial hemp program to the House and Senate committees on agriculture. Provides that, among other items, the report shall include information on the number of licenses issued to growers with land under 200 acres and the total amount of industrial hemp sold from those growers to processors as well as the estimated value of the industrial hemp industry.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the reporting for four additional years and changes the report to provide that it shall include the total <u>quantity and dollar</u> amount of industrial hemp sold from growers with land under 200 acres and requires the estimated value of the industrial hemp industry be reported <u>by</u> <u>parish</u> as well as statewide.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 3:1464(9)(intro para), and 1464(9)(d) and (f))