

Missouri 2022 Ballot Measure Summary

Amendment 3 is a constitutional citizen-initiated measure that will appear on Missouri's 2022 general election ballot. [Read the full text of the measure here.](#)

What the measure does

- Permits adults 21 years of age or older to possess and purchase up to three ounces of cannabis flower or an equivalent amount in other forms;
- Allows adults to cultivate up to six mature cannabis plants after obtaining a noncommercial cultivation registration card (with no more than 12 mature cannabis plants per residence);
- Directs the Dept. of Health and Senior Services to regulate and oversee the adult-use cannabis market, including the licensing of manufacturers, dispensaries, and microbusiness facilities;
- Gives licensing priority to existing medical cannabis businesses;
- Requires the department to promulgate regulations for the testing, packaging, and labeling of cannabis products to ensure product safety;
- Provides localities the option of limiting or banning cannabis facilities within their jurisdiction if approved by voters in a local referendum;
- Establishes a six percent retail tax on cannabis sales (in addition to normal state and local sales taxes); proceeds from this tax are directed to support veterans programs, legal services for low-income individuals, and other community non-profit services;
- Directs courts in Missouri to issue and process expungements for misdemeanor marijuana offenses within six months of the effective date of the initiative; and
- Amends Missouri's existing medical cannabis law by:
 - Allowing nurse practitioners to recommend cannabis for patients;
 - Extending the expiration of a medical cannabis registration card from one to three years; and
 - Protects patients from loss of parental rights, employment discrimination, and "unduly burdensome" administrative penalties.

What the measure does not do

- Permit the use of cannabis any place where the use of tobacco is prohibited;
- Require employers to change their workplace drug use policies; or
- Allow a single owner to control more than ten percent of the total number of dispensary or manufacturing licenses in the state.