LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Police Code - Cannabis Regulation]

Ordinance amending the Police Code to allow holders of temporary cannabis business permits to transfer an aggregate ownership interest of 50% or more in the business to persons that were not owners at the time the temporary permit was issued so long as five years or more have passed since the Office of Cannabis Director first acknowledged receipt of the business's application for a temporary cannabis business permit, regardless of whether the business has received a permanent cannabis business permit.

Existing Law

Existing law prohibits holders of Temporary Cannabis Business Permits from transferring an aggregate ownership interest of 50% or more in the business to any person or combination of persons that were not owners at the time the Temporary Cannabis Business Permit was awarded until after the business has received a permanent Cannabis Business Permit. In contrast, existing law does not restrict ownership transfers by Medical Cannabis Dispensaries and other applicants for permanent Cannabis Business Permits that do not hold Temporary Cannabis Business Permits prior to those businesses' receipt of a permanent Cannabis Business Permit.

Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would allow holders of Temporary Cannabis Business Permits to transfer an aggregate ownership interest of 50% or more in the business to a person or combination of persons that were not owners at the time the Temporary Cannabis Business Permit was awarded prior to the business's receipt of a permanent Cannabis Business Permit, after five years have passed since the Office of Cannabis Director's receipt of the business's earliest application for a Cannabis Business Permit, whether temporary or permanent.

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