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# HB 123 – Explanation of Changes

## HB 123 to CSHB123(L&C)

Section 2: Formatting amended to make conforming changes to the legislative drafting manual.

Section 3: 17.38.081 was amended to require vacancies be filled within 30 days.

17.38.084 was amended to include statutory language from the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board related to personnel and notification requirements for statutory and regulatory changes in chapter 17.

17.38.085 was amended to include additional enforcement language that mirrors the authority of the ABC Board relating to gambling, prostitution, and sex trafficking. This section was also amended to provide statutory authority for the board to enforce marijuana laws and regulations not in chapter 17 only when necessary for enforcing this title.

Section 7: Was a new section to establish a sunset date for the board.

**Section 8:** The uncodified law was amended to require that the initial appointments to marijuana industry seats would be filled by members of the alcohol retail or wholesale business.

**Section 9:** transition regulations language was amended to clarify that the ABC board could continue regulatory work until a new board was seated.

### CSHB123(L&C) to CSHB123(JUD)

**Section 2:** 17.38.080 was amended to require that the member representing rural Alaska currently reside there, deleting the previous version's residency requirements, and amending the definition of rural area.

17.38.085 was amended to remove the additional enforcement powers related to gambling, prostitution, and sex trafficking.

**Section 9:** Uncodified law was amended so that instead of two members with an alcohol background being appointed in the initial board, it requires that the background of the industry seats be in marijuana obtained through lawful participation in the industry or in an academic or advocatory role.

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#### CSHB123(JUD) to CSHB123(JUD) am

**Section 2:** AS 17.38.100 is amended to add a new subsection prohibiting marijuana establishments from being registered if individuals who have been convicted of a felony within the last five years or who are currently serving probation or parole for a felony fare an owner, officer, or agent of the establishment.

#### CSHB123(JUD) am to SCS CSHB123(L&C)

**Section 2:** AS 17.38.080 was amended to remove subsection c that limited the number of marijuana industry representatives on the marijuana control board to one instead of two if the director was currently or had in the last five years preceding appointment been actively engaged in the marijuana industry. Also removed subsection d allowing the director to satisfy the requirement for having a public safety or public health representative on the marijuana control board if the director is currently or has been employed in the public safety or public health sector within the last five years.

**Section 3:** 17.38.081 was amended to change the maximum number of successive terms a Marijuana Control Board member can serve from two to three.

**Section 9:** AS 44.66.010(a) was amended to change the marijuana Control Board's sunset date from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2017.