

Bill Title:	Establishing a marijuana research license
Bill Number:	SB 5121
Effective Date:	July 24, 2015
New Sections:	RCW 69.50; RCW 42.56
Amends:	RCW 28B.20.502; RCW 43.350.030

## Summary:

This bill authorizes the WSLCB to offer licenses for research into marijuana. The license will permit the holder to produce and possess marijuana for these limited purposes:

- To test chemical potency and composition levels;
- To conduct clinical investigations of marijuana-derived drug products;
- To conduct research on the efficacy and safety of administering marijuana as part of medical treatment; and
- To conduct genomic or agricultural research.

All research projects must be approved by the Life Sciences Discovery Fund Authority and meet the requirements outlined above.

- The application fee for a marijuana research license is \$250 dollars.
- The annual fee for issuance and renewal of a marijuana research license is \$1000 dollars.

The WSLCB is authorized to adopt rules governing the any application, security, and reporting requirements for the license.

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## How to apply for a marijuana research license:

The WSLCB will work in partnership with the Life Sciences Discovery Fund Authority, which will approve any research license applications based upon the criteria set forth in RCW 69.50(1).

The WSLCB will begin the licensing process once the rules have been adopted, after the effective date of the bill, July 24, 2015.

## **Contact Information:**

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