

Date of Hearing: May 6, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
Buffy Wicks, Chair
AB 2250 (Aguiar-Curry) – As Amended March 11, 2026

Policy Committee:	Business and Professions	Vote:	19 - 0
	Revenue and Taxation		7 - 0

Urgency: No State Mandated Local Program: Yes Reimbursable: No

SUMMARY:

This bill expands the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration's (CDTFA) seizure authority and revises and clarifies certain provisions related to the regulation and enforcement of products containing cannabinoids derived from industrial hemp.

Specifically, this bill:

- 1) Provides that, beginning on or after January 1, 2028, a cannabinol (CBN) isolate is excluded from the definition of "cannabis concentrate," under the California Uniform Controlled Substances Act.
- 2) Removes the authorization under the Cannabis Tax Law to seize product that is a presumed cannabis product that is possessed, stored, offered for sale, or sold by an unlicensed person or at an unlicensed premises, and instead authorizes the CDTFA to seize cannabis or a cannabis product that is possessed, stored, offered for sale, or sold at an unlicensed premises.
- 3) Organizes and clarifies, under the Cannabis Tax Law, the presumption that a product that contains or purports to contain a cannabinoid is a cannabis product, which may be overcome with certain evidence that the product complies with specified laws.
- 4) Prohibits a person that is engaged in the business of selling cigarettes or tobacco products from making any sale of cannabis, cannabis products, or a product presumed to be cannabis.
- 5) Expands the CDTFA's seizure authority under the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Licensing Act of 2003 (Licensing Act) to include the seizure of cannabis, cannabis products, or a product presumed to be cannabis sold in violation of the above prohibition.
- 6) Amends, under the Licensing Act, funding provisions to include the seizure and destruction of any product seized pursuant to this bill as a purpose of implementing, enforcing, and administering the Licensing Act.

FISCAL EFFECT:

The CDTFA estimates that this bill will result in losses of \$1.7 million to \$2.0 million in cannabis excise tax revenue (California Cannabis Tax Fund), and \$150,000 to \$170,000 in sales

and use tax revenue for the 2028 calendar year (Cigarette and Tobacco Products Compliance Fund).

CDTFA will also incur absorbable costs to conduct additional seizures of cannabis products.

COMMENTS:

Purpose. According to the author:

Last year, I authored AB 8 (Aguiar-Curry), Chapter 248, Statutes of 2025, to protect public health and licensed businesses by strengthening enforcement against illegal hemp products, ensuring that all intoxicating cannabinoids are regulated and taxed as cannabis, and creating a pathway for responsible hemp and cannabis operators to participate in the federal and state legal markets. [This bill] is a technical clean-up bill that will make sure that AB 8 can be implemented effectively. These changes are needed to ensure that state agencies have the tools they need to provide oversight and enforcement for California's cannabis marketplace.

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