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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy

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A bill for an act
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relating to cannabis; allowing authorized retailers to give away samples at cannabis
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event sales; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.40, subdivision 7.
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.40, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
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Subd. 7. **Cannabis event sales.** (a) Cannabis microbusinesses with a retail endorsement,
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cannabis mezzobusinesses with a retail endorsement, cannabis retailers, medical cannabis
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combination businesses operating a retail location, and lower-potency hemp edible retailers,
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including the cannabis event organizer, may be authorized to sell cannabis plants, adult-use
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cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived
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consumer products to customers at a cannabis event.
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(b) All sales of cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products,
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lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products at a cannabis event must
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take place in a retail area as designated in the premises diagram.
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(c) Authorized retailers may only conduct sales within their specifically assigned area.
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(d) Authorized retailers must verify the age of all customers pursuant to section 342.27,
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subdivision 4, before completing a sale and may not sell cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis
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flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer
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products to an individual under 21 years of age.
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(e) Authorized retailers may display one sample of each type of cannabis plant, adult-use
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cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, and hemp-derived
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consumer product available for sale. Samples of adult-use cannabis and adult-use cannabis

products must be stored in a sample jar or display case and be accompanied by a label or notice containing the information required to be affixed to the packaging or container containing adult-use cannabis flower and adult-use cannabis products sold to customers. A sample may not consist of more than eight grams of adult-use cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis concentrate, or an edible cannabis product infused with more than 100 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol. A cannabis retailer may allow customers to smell the adult-use cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis product before purchase.

(f) The notice requirements under section 342.27, subdivision 6, apply to authorized retailers offering cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabinoid products, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event.

(g) Authorized retailers may not:

(1) sell adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products to a person who is visibly intoxicated;

(2) knowingly sell more cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products than a customer is legally permitted to possess;

(3) sell medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products; or

~~(4) give away cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products; or~~

~~(5)~~ (4) allow for the dispensing of cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products in vending machines.

(h) Except for samples of a cannabis plant, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, and hemp-derived consumer product, all cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event must be stored in a secure, locked container that is not accessible to the public. Such items being stored at a cannabis event shall not be left unattended.

(i) All cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event must comply with this chapter and rules adopted pursuant to this chapter regarding the testing, packaging, and labeling of those items.

- 3.1 (j) All cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, and adult-use cannabis products sold,
3.2 damaged, or destroyed at a cannabis event must be recorded in the statewide monitoring
3.3 system.