

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON CANNABIS POLICY  
2025-2026 (194<sup>th</sup>) BILL SUMMARY**

**Bill Number:** H.167

**Title:** An Act to create a competitive cannabis testing program

**Sponsor(s):** Rep. Aaron L. Saunders (Belchertown)

**Hearing Date:** July 22, 2025

**Reporting Deadline:** September 20, 2025

**Prior History:** None

**Similar Matters:** None

**CURRENT LAW:**

Section 15 of Chapter 94G of the Massachusetts General Laws requires that the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) establish cannabis testing standards, including sampling protocols, and that marijuana be tested according to such standards prior to sale. The CCC's testing standard requires that a representative sample of marijuana be collected at both the cultivation (harvest) stage and production stage, tested, and pass testing requirements.

**SUMMARY:**

This bill would amend Section 15 of Chapter 94G to require the CCC to establish a "Reduced Testing Allowance certification program," wherein marijuana establishments which have passed all required tests during a six- to twelve-week period may apply for a one-year "reduced testing period..." It would further amend Section 15 to require specific ratios for representative sampling.