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The CS for SB 863 creates the Industrial Hemp Production Act. The measure directs the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to develop a licensure and regulation program governing industrial hemp production. The Department is required to submit a plan to the United States Secretary of Agriculture for approval no later than January 1, 2020. Fees will be deposited in the newly created Industrial Hemp Production Fund. Upon receiving approval from the U.S. Secretary, the Department shall implement the program. Concentrations of industrial hemp shall not exceed 0.3% on a dry weight basis before or during harvest and 0.5% after harvest.

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