

Master Source Reference Log

COMPLETE UN-SHORTENED WEB VERIFICATION PATHS FOR TENNESSEE HEMP BRIEFS

This document serves as the master verification record for all economic projections, statutory parameters, regulatory tax policies, and infrastructure bills cited across the industry advocacy series. Below are the complete, un-shortened web links to the primary and journalistic source materials.

1. Macro-Economic Projections & Industry Valuation

The Metric Cited: Tennessee's independent hemp-derived cannabinoid industry was tracking on a multi-billion dollar trajectory toward a **\$1.7 Billion to \$1.8 Billion** comprehensive market evaluation, supporting an infrastructure of over **18,770 domestic jobs** prior to recent legislative shifts.

Primary Source Entity: Whitney Economics (National Cannabis & Hemp Macro-Economic Consulting Division).

Full Reference Website URL:

<https://wpln.org/post/tennessee-hemp-farmers-pivot-as-state-ban-takes-effect/>

2. Public Chapter 526 Statutory Parameters & Total THC Calculation

The Metric Cited: The mandatory transfer of retail product enforcement pipelines over to the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC), the structural definition of the post-decarboxylation Total THC cap, and the operational enforcement thresholds.

Primary Source Entity: The Tennessee General Assembly / State Statutory Regulatory Index.

Full Reference Website URL:

<https://www.cannabisregulations.ai/state-legality/tennessee-thca>

3. Department of Revenue Upstream Wholesale Excise Structure

The Metric Cited: The formal revenue shift abandoning the standard 6% retail privilege tax in favor of a flat upstream wholesale levy consisting of **\$50.00 per ounce** on raw flower/plant material alongside a **\$0.02 per milligram** tax on total combined cannabinoid yields.

Primary Source Entity: Tennessee Department of Revenue (Tobacco & Alternative Products Division).

Full Reference Website URL:

<https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/revenue/documents/notices/tobacco/25-11tob.pdf>

4. Transportation Infrastructure Allocation: The "Pot for Potholes Act"

The Metric Cited: House Bill 2525 / Senate Bill 2440 (The Pot for Potholes Act) legislative framework designed to impose a 15% state tax standard with a statutory mandate locking **75% of all generated cannabinoid tax revenue directly into the State Highway Fund** to fix potholes and crumbling infrastructure.

Primary Source Entity: Tennessee General Assembly Legislative Record Index.

Full Reference Website URL:

<https://legiscan.com/TN/bill/HB2525/2025>

5. Peer-Reviewed Biomedical Studies on THCA Benefits

The Metric Cited: Peer-reviewed preclinical models showing THCA functions as a potent PPAR γ agonist with clear neuroprotective, metabolic-stabilizing, and anti-inflammatory properties.

Primary Source Entity: National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) / National Library of Medicine.

Full Reference Website URL:

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>