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The FS for HB 2628 clarifies that a licensee of the Oklahoma Industrial Hemp Program is authorized to engage in the growth and cultivation of industrial hemp for agricultural plant research and development purposes and upon the program's approval of the United States Department of Agriculture, engage in the growth, cultivation, or processing of industrial hemp. The measure also removes provisions relating to the exemption provided to licensed hemp growers whose crop is found to possess THC levels above 0.3% and below 1.0%. Under current law, if the grower properly destroys the illegal crop, the grower is not subject to the penalties provided for in the Oklahoma Industrial Hemp Program.

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