

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2613

By: Fetgatter and Echols of the
House

and

Paxton of the Senate

An Act relating to medical marijuana; amending Section 2 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, as amended by Section 3 of Enrolled Senate Bill No. 162 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, which relates to definitions used in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act; modifying definition; amending Section 10 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, which relates to recommending physicians; authorizing podiatrists to recommend medical marijuana; authorizing the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to issue certain guidance; authorizing Boards to take disciplinary action against certain physicians; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Medical marijuana

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, as amended by Section 3 of Enrolled Senate Bill No. 162 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2. As used in this act:

1. "Advertising" means the act of providing consideration for the publication, dissemination, solicitation, or circulation, of visual, oral, or written communication, to induce directly or indirectly any person to patronize a particular medical marijuana business, or to purchase particular medical marijuana or a medical marijuana product. Advertising includes marketing, but does not include packaging and labeling;

2. "Authority" means the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority;

3. "Batch number" means a unique numeric or alphanumeric identifier assigned prior to testing to allow for inventory tracking and traceability;

4. "Cannabinoid" means any of the chemical compounds that are active principles of marijuana;

5. "Caregiver" means a family member or assistant who regularly looks after a medical marijuana license holder whom a physician attests needs assistance;

6. "Child-resistant" means special packaging that is:

- a. designed or constructed to be significantly difficult for children under five (5) years of age to open and not difficult for normal adults to use properly as defined by 16 C.F.R. 1700.15 (1995) and 16 C.F.R. 1700.20 (1995),
- b. opaque so that the outermost packaging does not allow the product to be seen without opening the packaging material, and
- c. resealable to maintain its child-resistant effectiveness for multiple openings for any product intended for more than a single use or containing multiple servings;

7. "Clone" means a nonflowering plant cut from a mother plant that is capable of developing into a new plant and has shown no signs of flowering;

8. "Commissioner" means the State Commissioner of Health;

9. "Complete application" means a document prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in this act, rules promulgated pursuant thereto, and the forms and instructions provided by the Department, including any supporting documentation required and the applicable license application fee;

10. "Department" means the State Department of Health;

11. "Director" means the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority;

12. "Dispense" means the selling of medical marijuana or a medical marijuana product to a qualified patient or the designated caregiver of the patient that is packaged in a suitable container appropriately labeled for subsequent administration to or use by a qualifying patient;

13. "Dispensary" means a medical marijuana dispensary, an entity that has been licensed by the Department pursuant to this act to purchase medical marijuana or medical marijuana products from a licensed medical marijuana commercial grower or medical marijuana processor, sell medical marijuana or medical marijuana products to patients and caregivers as defined under this act, or sell or transfer products to another dispensary;

14. "Edible medical marijuana product" means any medical-marijuana-infused product for which the intended use is oral consumption including, but not limited to, any type of food, drink or pill;

15. "Entity" means an individual, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, trust, estate, association, corporation, cooperative, or any other legal or commercial entity;

16. "Flower" means the reproductive organs of the marijuana or cannabis plant referred to as the bud or parts of the plant that are harvested and used to consume in a variety of medical marijuana products;

17. "Flowering" means the reproductive state of the marijuana or cannabis plant in which there are physical signs of flower or budding out of the nodes of the stem;

18. "Food-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids

from medical marijuana through the use of propylene glycol, glycerin, butter, olive oil, coconut oil or other typical food-safe cooking fats;

19. "Good cause" for purposes of an initial, renewal or reinstatement license application, or for purposes of discipline of a licensee, means:

- a. the licensee or applicant has violated, does not meet, or has failed to comply with any of the terms, conditions or provisions of the act, any rules promulgated pursuant thereto, or any supplemental relevant state or local law, rule or regulation,
- b. the licensee or applicant has failed to comply with any special terms or conditions that were placed upon the license pursuant to an order of the State Department of Health, Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority or the municipality, or
- c. the licensed premises of a medical marijuana business or applicant have been operated in a manner that adversely affects the public health or welfare or the safety of the immediate vicinity in which the establishment is located;

20. "Harvest batch" means a specifically identified quantity of medical marijuana that is uniform in strain, cultivated utilizing the same cultivation practices, harvested at the same time from the same location and cured under uniform conditions;

21. "Harvested marijuana" means post-flowering medical marijuana not including trim, concentrate or waste;

22. "Heat- or pressure-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of heat or pressure;

23. "Immature plant" means a nonflowering marijuana plant that has not demonstrated signs of flowering;

24. "Inventory tracking system" means the required tracking system that accounts for medical marijuana from either the seed or immature plant stage until the medical marijuana or medical

marijuana product is sold to a patient at a medical marijuana dispensary, transferred to a medical marijuana research facility, destroyed by a medical marijuana business or used in a research project by a medical marijuana research facility;

25. "Licensed patient" or "patient" means a person who has been issued a medical marijuana patient license by the State Department of Health or Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority;

26. "Licensed premises" means the premises specified in an application for a medical marijuana business license, medical marijuana research facility license or medical marijuana education facility license pursuant to this act that are owned or in possession of the licensee and within which the licensee is authorized to cultivate, manufacture, distribute, sell, store, transport, test or research medical marijuana or medical marijuana products in accordance with the provisions of this act and rules promulgated pursuant thereto;

27. "Manufacture" means the production, propagation, compounding or processing of a medical marijuana product, excluding marijuana plants, either directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of natural or synthetic origin, or independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis;

28. "Marijuana" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in Section 2-101 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

29. "Material change" means any change that would require a substantive revision to the standard operating procedures of a licensee for the cultivation or production of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products;

30. "Mature plant" means a harvestable female marijuana plant that is flowering;

31. "Medical marijuana business (MMB)" means a licensed medical marijuana dispensary, medical marijuana processor, medical marijuana commercial grower, medical marijuana laboratory, medical marijuana business operator, or a medical marijuana transporter;

32. "Medical marijuana concentrate" or "concentrate" means a specific subset of medical marijuana that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana. Categories of medical

marijuana concentrate include water-based medical marijuana concentrate, food-based medical marijuana concentrate, solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate, and heat- or pressure-based medical marijuana concentrate;

33. "Medical marijuana commercial grower" or "commercial grower" means an entity licensed to cultivate, prepare and package medical marijuana and transfer or contract for transfer medical marijuana to a medical marijuana dispensary, medical marijuana processor, any other medical marijuana commercial grower, medical marijuana research facility, medical marijuana education facility and pesticide manufacturers. A commercial grower may sell seeds, flower or clones to commercial growers pursuant to this act;

34. "Medical marijuana education facility" or "education facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to this act to operate a facility providing training and education to individuals involving the cultivation, growing, harvesting, curing, preparing, packaging or testing of medical marijuana, or the production, manufacture, extraction, processing, packaging or creation of medical-marijuana-infused products or medical marijuana products as described in this act;

35. "Medical-marijuana-infused product" means a product infused with medical marijuana including, but not limited to, edible products, ointments and tinctures;

36. "Medical marijuana product" or "product" means a product that contains cannabinoids that have been extracted from plant material or the resin therefrom by physical or chemical means and is intended for administration to a qualified patient including, but not limited to, oils, tinctures, edibles, pills, topical forms, gels, creams, vapors, patches, liquids, and forms administered by a nebulizer, excluding live plant forms which are considered medical marijuana;

37. "Medical marijuana processor" means a person or entity licensed pursuant to this act to operate a business including the production, manufacture, extraction, processing, packaging or creation of concentrate, medical-marijuana-infused products or medical marijuana products as described in this act;

38. "Medical marijuana research facility" or "research facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to this act to

conduct medical marijuana research. A medical marijuana research facility is not a medical marijuana business;

39. "Medical marijuana testing laboratory" or "laboratory" means a public or private laboratory licensed pursuant to this act, to conduct testing and research on medical marijuana and medical marijuana products;

40. "Medical marijuana transporter" or "transporter" means a person or entity that is licensed pursuant to this act. A medical marijuana transporter does not include a medical marijuana business that transports its own medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products to a property or facility adjacent to or connected to the licensed premises if the property is another licensed premises of the same medical marijuana business;

41. "Medical marijuana waste" or "waste" means unused, surplus, returned or out-of-date marijuana, plant debris of the plant of the genus Cannabis, including dead plants and all unused plant parts and roots;

42. "Medical use" means the acquisition, possession, use, delivery, transfer or transportation of medical marijuana, medical marijuana products, medical marijuana devices or paraphernalia relating to the administration of medical marijuana to treat a licensed patient;

43. "Mother plant" means a marijuana plant that is grown or maintained for the purpose of generating clones, and that will not be used to produce plant material for sale to a medical marijuana processor or medical marijuana dispensary;

44. "Oklahoma physician" or "physician" means a physician licensed by and in good standing with the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision ~~or~~, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners or the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners;

45. "Oklahoma resident" means an individual who can provide proof of residency as required by this act;

46. "Owner" means, except where the context otherwise requires, a direct beneficial owner including, but not limited to, all persons or entities as follows:

- a. all shareholders owning an interest of a corporate entity and all officers of a corporate entity,
- b. all partners of a general partnership,
- c. all general partners and all limited partners that own an interest in a limited partnership,
- d. all members that own an interest in a limited liability company,
- e. all beneficiaries that hold a beneficial interest in a trust and all trustees of a trust,
- f. all persons or entities that own interest in a joint venture,
- g. all persons or entities that own an interest in an association,
- h. the owners of any other type of legal entity, and
- i. any other person holding an interest or convertible note in any entity which owns, operates or manages a licensed facility;

47. "Package" or "packaging" means any container or wrapper that may be used by a medical marijuana business to enclose or contain medical marijuana;

48. "Person" means a natural person, partnership, association, business trust, company, corporation, estate, limited liability company, trust or any other legal entity or organization, or a manager, agent, owner, director, servant, officer or employee thereof, except that "person" does not include any governmental organization;

49. "Pesticide" means any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling or mitigating any pest or any substance or mixture of substances intended for use as a plant regulator, defoliant or desiccant, except that the term "pesticide" shall not include any article that is a "new animal drug" as designated by the United States Food and Drug Administration;

50. "Production batch" means:

- a. any amount of medical marijuana concentrate of the same category and produced using the same extraction methods, standard operating procedures and an identical group of harvest batch of medical marijuana, or
- b. any amount of medical marijuana product of the same exact type, produced using the same ingredients, standard operating procedures and the same production batch of medical marijuana concentrate;

51. "Public institution" means any entity established or controlled by the federal government, state government, or a local government or municipality including, but not limited to, institutions of higher education or related research institutions;

52. "Public money" means any funds or money obtained by the holder from any governmental entity including, but not limited to, research grants;

53. "Recommendation" means a document that is signed or electronically submitted by a physician on behalf of a patient for the use of medical marijuana pursuant to this act;

54. "Registered to conduct business" means a person that has provided proof that the business applicant is in good standing with the Oklahoma Secretary of State and Oklahoma Tax Commission;

55. "Remediation" means the process by which the medical marijuana flower or trim, which has failed microbial testing, is processed into solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate and retested as required by this act;

56. "Research project" means a discrete scientific endeavor to answer a research question or a set of research questions related to medical marijuana and is required for a medical marijuana research license. A research project shall include a description of a defined protocol, clearly articulated goals, defined methods and outputs, and a defined start and end date. The description shall demonstrate that the research project will comply with all requirements in this act and rules promulgated pursuant thereto. All research and development conducted by a medical marijuana

research facility shall be conducted in furtherance of an approved research project;

57. "Revocation" means the final decision by the Department that any license issued pursuant to this act is rescinded because the individual or entity does not comply with the applicable requirements set forth in this act or rules promulgated pursuant thereto;

58. "School" means a public or private preschool or a public or private elementary or secondary school used for school classes and instruction. A homeschool, daycare or child-care facility shall not be considered a "school" as used in this act;

59. "Shipping container" means a hard-sided container with a lid or other enclosure that can be secured in place. A shipping container is used solely for the transport of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate, or medical marijuana products between medical marijuana businesses, a medical marijuana research facility, or a medical marijuana education facility;

60. "Solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of a solvent approved by the Department;

61. "State Question" means Oklahoma State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, approved by a majority vote of the citizens of Oklahoma on June 26, 2018;

62. "Strain" means the classification of marijuana or cannabis plants in either pure sativa, indica, afghanica, ruderalis or hybrid varieties;

63. "THC" means tetrahydrocannabinol, which is the primary psychotropic cannabinoid in marijuana formed by decarboxylation of naturally tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, which generally occurs by exposure to heat;

64. "Test batch" means with regard to usable marijuana, a homogenous, identified quantity of usable marijuana by strain, no greater than ten (10) pounds, that is harvested during a seven-day period from a specified cultivation area, and with regard to oils, vapors and waxes derived from usable marijuana, means an identified quantity that is uniform, that is intended to meet specifications

for identity, strength and composition, and that is manufactured, packaged and labeled during a specified time period according to a single manufacturing, packaging and labeling protocol;

65. "Transporter agent" means a person who transports medical marijuana or medical marijuana products for a licensed transporter and holds a transporter agent license pursuant to this act;

66. "Universal symbol" means the image established by the State Department of Health or Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority and made available to licensees through its website indicating that the medical marijuana or the medical marijuana product contains THC;

67. "Usable marijuana" means the dried leaves, flowers, oils, vapors, waxes and other portions of the marijuana plant and any mixture or preparation thereof, excluding seed, roots and stalks; and

68. "Water-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of only water, ice, or dry ice.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 10 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, is amended to read as follows:

Section 10. A. Only licensed Oklahoma allopathic ~~and,~~ osteopathic and podiatric physicians may provide a medical marijuana recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license under this act.

B. A physician who has not completed his or her first residency shall not meet the definition of "physician" under this section and any recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license shall not be processed by the Authority.

C. No physician shall be subject to arrest, prosecution or penalty in any manner or denied any right or privilege under Oklahoma state, municipal or county statute, ordinance or resolution, including without limitation a civil penalty or disciplinary action by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision or the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners or by any other business, occupation or professional licensing board or bureau, solely for providing a medical marijuana recommendation for a patient or for monitoring, treating or prescribing scheduled

medication to patients who are medical marijuana licensees. The provisions of this subsection shall not prevent the relevant professional licensing boards from sanctioning a physician for failing to properly evaluate the medical condition of a patient or for otherwise violating the applicable physician-patient standard of care.

D. A physician who recommends use of medical marijuana shall not be located at the same physical address as a dispensary.

E. If the physician determines the continued use of medical marijuana by the patient no longer meets the requirements set forth in this act, the physician shall notify the Department and the Authority shall immediately revoke the license.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 149.1 of Title 59, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners is hereby authorized to issue guidance to all podiatric physicians in this state on the recommending of medical marijuana to patients.

B. The Board may take disciplinary action as provided for in the Podiatric Medicine Practice Act against any podiatric physician who willfully violates or aids another in the willful violation of the provisions of Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes or the provisions of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature.

SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 510.1 of Title 59, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision is hereby authorized to issue guidance to all allopathic physicians in this state on the recommending of medical marijuana to patients.

B. The Board may take disciplinary action as provided for in the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act against any allopathic physician who willfully violates or aids another in the willful violation of the provisions of Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes or the provisions of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature.

SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 638.1 of Title 59, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Board of Osteopathic Examiners is hereby authorized to issue guidance to all osteopathic physicians in this state on the recommending of medical marijuana to patients.

B. The Board may take disciplinary action as provided for in the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act against any osteopathic physician who willfully violates or aids another in the willful violation of the provisions of Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes or the provisions of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature.

SECTION 6. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House of Representatives the 8th day of May, 2019.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 25th day of April, 2019.

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