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By: Howard of the Senate

and

Pfeiffer of the House

An Act relating to multiple versions of medical 6 marijuana statutes; amending, merging, consolidating, and repealing multiple versions of statutes; amending 7 63 O.S. 2021, Section 420, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 8 Section 420); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 420, as 9 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 420); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 420, as last amended by Section 1, 10 Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 420); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 421, as last 11 amended by Section 1, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 421); repealing 63 O.S. 12 2021, Section 421, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 421); 13 amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 422, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 14 2023, Section 422); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 422, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 329, 15 O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 422); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 423, as last amended 16 by Section 3, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 423); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 17 423, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 423); amending 63 18 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 19 425); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 10, O.S.L. 2022 (63 20 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 425); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last amended by Section 5, 21 Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 425); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last 22 amended by Section 2, Chapter 317, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 425); amending 63 O.S. 2021, 23 Section 426.1, as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 426.1); 24

1 repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 426.1, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 426.1); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 2 427.2, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 251, 3 O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.2); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 141, O.S.L. 2022 (63 4 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.2); repealing 63 O.S. 5 2021, Section 427.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 317, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.2); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as 6 amended by Section 8, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.3); repealing 63 O.S. 7 2021, Section 427.3, as amended by Section 30 Chapter 228, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.3); 8 repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as last 9 amended by Section 4, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.3); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.6, as last amended by Section 4, 10 Chapter 168, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.6); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.6, as 11 amended by Section 2, Chapter 482, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.6); repealing 63 O.S. 12 2021, Section 427.6, as last amended by Section 10, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 13 427.6); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.13, as last amended by Section 14, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 14 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.13); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.13, as amended by Section 7, 15 Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.13); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as 16 last amended by Section 7, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.14); repealing 63 17 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 18 427.14); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 2022 19 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.14); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as last amended by Section 20 1, Chapter 41, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.14); amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 430, 21 as last amended by Section 11, Chapter 168, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 430); repealing 63 22 O.S. 2021, Section 430, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 23 430); repealing 63 O.S. 2021, Section 430, as last amended by Section 24, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 24

1	O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 430); and declaring an				
2	emergency.				
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4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:				
5	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 420, as last				
6	amended by Section 1, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,				
7	Section 420), is amended to read as follows:				
8	Section 420. A. A person in possession of a state-issued				
9	medical marijuana patient license shall be able to:				
10	1. Consume marijuana legally;				
11	2. Legally possess up to three (3) ounces or eighty-four and				
12	nine-tenths (84.9) grams of marijuana on their person;				
13	3. Legally possess six mature marijuana plants and the				
14	harvested marijuana therefrom;				
15	4. Legally possess six seedling plants;				
16	5. Legally possess one (1) ounce or twenty-eight and three				
17	tenths (28.3) grams of concentrated marijuana;				
18	6. Legally possess seventy-two (72) ounces or two thousand				
19	thirty-seven and six-tenths (2037.6) grams of edible marijuana; and				
20	7. Legally possess up to eight (8) ounces <u>or two hundred</u>				
21	twenty-six and four-tenths (226.4) grams of marijuana in their				
22	residence; and				
23	8. Legally possess seventy-two (72) ounces of topical				
24	marijuana.				

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1 B. Possession of up to one and one-half (1.5) ounces or forty-2 two and forty-five one-hundredths (42.45) grams of marijuana by persons who can state a medical condition, but are not in possession 3 of a state-issued medical marijuana patient license, shall 4 5 constitute a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine not to exceed Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) and shall not be subject to 6 imprisonment for the offense. Any law enforcement officer who comes 7 in contact with a person in violation of this subsection and who is 8 9 satisfied as to the identity of the person, as well as any other pertinent information the law enforcement officer deems necessary, 10 shall issue to the person a written citation containing a notice to 11 12 answer the charge against the person in the appropriate court. Upon receiving the written promise of the alleged violator to answer as 13 specified in the citation, the law enforcement officer shall release 14 the person upon personal recognizance unless there has been a 15 violation of another provision of law. 16

C. A regulatory office <u>The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority</u>
shall be established <u>under the State Department of Health</u> which
shall receive applications for medical marijuana <u>patient and</u>
<u>caregiver</u> license recipients, dispensaries, growers, and packagers
<u>processors</u> within sixty (60) days of the passage of this initiative.

D. The State Department of Health Authority shall, within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available on its website, in an easy-to-find location, an application for a

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1 medical marijuana <u>patient</u> license. The license shall be good <u>valid</u> 2 for two (2) years. The <u>biannual</u> application fee shall be One 3 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for 4 individuals on Medicaid, Medicare or SoonerCare. The methods of 5 payment shall be provided on the website of the <u>Department</u> 6 <u>Authority</u>. <u>Reprints of the medical marijuana patient license shall</u> 7 be Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).

E. A short-term medical marijuana patient license application 8 9 shall also be made available on the website of the State Department 10 of Health Authority. A short-term medical marijuana patient license shall be granted to any applicant who can meet the requirements for 11 12 a two-year medical marijuana patient license, but whose physician recommendation for medical marijuana is only valid for sixty (60) 13 days. Short-term medical marijuana patient licenses shall be issued 14 for sixty (60) days. The fee for a short-term medical marijuana 15 patient license, reprints of the short-term medical marijuana 16 patient license, and the procedure for extending or renewing the 17 license shall be determined by the Department Executive Director of 18 the Authority. 19

F. A temporary <u>medical marijuana patient</u> license application
shall also be made available on the website of the Department
<u>Authority for residents of other states</u>. A temporary <u>Temporary</u>
medical marijuana license <u>patient licenses</u> shall be granted to any
medical marijuana license <u>holder holders</u> from other states, provided

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1 that the state has a such states have state-regulated medical 2 marijuana program programs, and the applicant applicants can prove he or she is a member they are members of such program programs. 3 Temporary medical marijuana patient licenses shall be issued for 4 5 thirty (30) days. The cost for a temporary license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Renewal shall be granted with 6 resubmission of a new application. No additional criteria shall be 7 required. Reprints of the temporary medical marijuana patient 8 9 license shall be Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).

G. Medical marijuana <u>patient</u> license applicants shall submit
his or her <u>their</u> applications to the State Department of Health
<u>Authority</u> for approval. The applicant shall be an Oklahoma state <u>a</u>
resident <u>of this state</u> and shall prove residency by a valid driver
license, utility bills, or other accepted methods.

The State Department of Health Authority shall review the 15 н. medical marijuana patient license application, approve, or reject, 16 or deny the application, and mail the approval, $\frac{1}{2}$ rejection, or 17 denial letter stating any reasons for rejection, to the applicant 18 within fourteen (14) business days of receipt of the application. 19 Approved applicants shall be issued a medical marijuana patient 20 license which shall act as proof of his or her approved status. 21 Applications may only be rejected or denied based on the applicant 22 not meeting stated criteria or improper completion of the 23 application. 24

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- I. The State Department of Health shall only keep the following
 records for each approved medical marijuana license:
 - 1. A digital photograph of the license holder;
 - 2. The expiration date of the license;

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3. The county where the card was issued; and

6 4. A unique 24-character identification number assigned to the
7 license.

8 J. The State Department of Health <u>Authority</u> shall make 9 available, both on its website and through a telephone verification 10 system, an easy method to validate the authenticity of the medical 11 marijuana <u>patient</u> license by the unique <u>24-character</u> <u>twenty-four-</u> 12 character identification number.

13 K. J. The State Department of Health Authority shall ensure 14 that all application medical marijuana patient and caregiver records 15 and information are sealed to protect the privacy of medical 16 marijuana patient license applicants.

L. K. A caregiver license shall be made available for qualified 17 caregivers of a medical marijuana patient license holder who is 18 homebound. As provided in Section 427.11 of this title, the 19 caregiver license shall provide the caregiver the same rights as the 20 medical marijuana patient licensee including the ability to possess 21 marijuana, marijuana products and mature and immature plants or 22 cultivated medical marijuana pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical 23 Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, but excluding the ability to 24

1 use marijuana or marijuana products unless the caregiver has a 2 medical marijuana patient license. An applicant Applicants for a caregiver license shall submit proof of the license status and 3 homebound status of the medical marijuana patient and proof that the 4 5 applicant is the designee of the medical marijuana patient. The applicant shall also submit proof that he or she is eighteen (18) 6 years of age or older and proof of his or her Oklahoma state 7 residency. This shall be the only criteria for a caregiver license. 8 9 A licensed caregiver shall not cultivate medical marijuana for more than five medical marijuana patient licensees and shall not charge a 10 medical marijuana patient licensee for cultivating medical marijuana 11 in excess of the actual costs incurred in cultivating the medical 12 marijuana. 13

14 M. L. All applicants <u>for a medical marijuana patient license</u> 15 shall be eighteen (18) years of age or older. A special exception 16 shall be granted to an applicant under the age of eighteen (18); 17 however, these applications shall be signed by two physicians and 18 the parent or legal guardian of the applicant.

N. M. All applications for a medical marijuana <u>patient</u> license
shall be signed by an Oklahoma physician <u>licensed by and in good</u>
<u>standing with the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision,</u>
<u>the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners, or the Board of Podiatric</u>
<u>Medical Examiners</u>. There are no qualifying conditions. A medical
marijuana <u>patient</u> license <u>must</u> <u>shall</u> be recommended according to the

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accepted standards a reasonable and prudent physician would follow when recommending or approving any medication. No physician may be unduly stigmatized, penalized, subjected to discipline, sanctioned, reprimanded or harassed for signing a medical marijuana <u>patient</u> license application; provided, the physician acted in accordance with the provisions of this subsection and all other rules governing the medical license of the physician in this state.

8 0. N. Counties and cities may enact medical marijuana 9 guidelines allowing medical marijuana <u>patient</u> license holders or 10 caregivers <u>caregiver license holders</u> to exceed the state limits set 11 forth in subsection A of this section.

12 SECTION 2. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 420, as last 13 amended by Section 2, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 14 Section 420), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 420, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 420), is hereby repealed.

18 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 421, as last 19 amended by Section 1, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 20 Section 421), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 421. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall 22 make available on its website in an easy-to-find location an 23 application for a medical marijuana dispensary license. The 24 application fee to be paid by the applicant shall be in the amounts

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1 provided for in Section 427.14 of this title. A method of payment 2 for the application fee shall be provided on the website of the Authority. Dispensary applicants must all be residents of Oklahoma. 3 Any entity applying for a dispensary license must be owned by an 4 5 Oklahoma resident a resident of this state and must be registered to do business in Oklahoma this state. The Authority shall have ninety 6 (90) business days to review the application; approve, reject, or 7 deny the application; and send the approval, rejection, or denial 8 9 letter stating reasons for the rejection or denial to the applicant in the same method the application was submitted to the Authority. 10 The Authority shall approve all applications which meet the 11 в. 12 following criteria: 1. The applicant must be twenty-five (25) years of age or 13 older; 14 2. The applicant, if applying as an individual, must show 15 residency in this state; 16 3. All applying entities must show that all members, managers, 17 and board members are Oklahoma residents of this state; 18 4. An applying entity may show ownership of non-Oklahoma 19 nonstate residents, but that percentage ownership may not exceed 20 twenty-five percent (25%); 21 5. All applying individuals or entities must be registered to 22 conduct business in this state; and 23 24

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6. All applicants must disclose all ownership interests in the
 2 dispensary.

Applicants with a nonviolent felony conviction in the last two (2) years, any other felony conviction in the last five (5) years, inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections or any person currently incarcerated shall not qualify for a medical marijuana dispensary license.

C. Licensed medical marijuana dispensaries shall be required to 8 9 complete a monthly sales report to the Authority. This report shall be due on the fifteenth of each month and provide reporting on the 10 previous month. This report shall detail the weight of marijuana 11 purchased at wholesale and the weight of marijuana sold to licensed 12 medical marijuana patients and licensed caregivers and account for 13 The report shall show total sales in dollars, tax any waste. 14 collected in dollars, and tax due in dollars. The Authority shall 15 have oversight and auditing responsibilities to ensure that all 16 marijuana being grown is accounted for. 17

D. Only a licensed medical marijuana dispensary may conduct retail sales of marijuana or marijuana derivatives. Beginning on November 1, 2021, licensed medical marijuana dispensaries shall be authorized to package and sell pre-rolled marijuana to licensed medical marijuana patients and licensed caregivers. The products described in this subsection shall contain only the ground parts of the marijuana plant and shall not include marijuana concentrates or

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derivatives. The total net weight of each pre-roll packaged and sold by a medical marijuana dispensary shall not exceed one (1) gram. These products shall be tested, packaged and labeled in accordance with Oklahoma <u>state</u> law and rules promulgated by the <u>Executive Director of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana</u> Authority.

No medical marijuana dispensary shall offer or allow a 6 Ε. medical marijuana patient licensee, caregiver licensee or other 7 member of the public to handle or otherwise have physical contact 8 9 with any medical marijuana not contained in a sealed or separate package. Provided, such prohibition shall not preclude an employee 10 of the medical marijuana dispensary from handling loose or 11 nonpackaged medical marijuana to be placed in packaging consistent 12 with the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and 13 the rules promulgated by the Authority Executive Director for the 14 packaging of medical marijuana for retail sale. Provided, further, 15 such prohibition shall not prevent a medical marijuana dispensary 16 from displaying samples of its medical marijuana in separate display 17 cases, jars or other containers and allowing medical marijuana 18 patient licensees and caregiver licensees the ability to handle or 19 smell the various samples as long as the sample medical marijuana is 20 used for display purposes only and is not offered for retail sale. 21 63 O.S. 2021, Section 421, as SECTION 5. REPEALER 22 amended by Section 2, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 23 Section 421), is hereby repealed. 24

SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 422, as last
 amended by Section 2, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,
 Section 422), is amended to read as follows:

Section 422. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall 4 5 make available on its website in an easy-to-find location an application for a medical marijuana commercial grower license. 6 The application fee shall be paid by the applicant in the amounts 7 provided for in Section 427.14 of this title. A method of payment 8 9 for the application fee shall be provided on the website of the Authority. The Authority shall have ninety (90) business days to 10 review the application; approve, reject, or deny the application; 11 12 and send the approval, rejection, or denial letter stating the 13 reasons for the rejection or denial to the applicant in the same method the application was submitted to the Authority. 14

B. The Authority shall approve all applications which meet the following criteria:

17 1. The applicant must be twenty-five (25) years of age or 18 older:

The applicant, if applying as an individual, must show
 residency in this state;

3. All applying entities must show that all members, managers,and board members are Oklahoma residents;

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4. An applying entity may show ownership of non-Oklahoma
 residents, but that percentage ownership may not exceed twenty-five
 percent (25%);

4 5. All applying individuals or entities must be registered to5 conduct business in this state; and

6 6. All applicants must disclose all ownership interests in the7 commercial grower operation.

Applicants with a nonviolent felony conviction in the last two (2) years, any other felony conviction in the last five (5) years, inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections or any person currently incarcerated shall not qualify for a commercial grower license.

C. A licensed medical marijuana commercial grower may sell 13 marijuana to a licensed medical marijuana dispensary or a licensed 14 medical marijuana processor. Further, sales by a licensed medical 15 marijuana commercial grower shall be considered wholesale sales and 16 shall not be subject to taxation. Under no circumstances may a 17 licensed medical marijuana commercial grower sell marijuana directly 18 to a licensed medical marijuana patient or licensed medical 19 marijuana caregiver. A licensed medical marijuana commercial grower 20 may only sell at the wholesale level to a licensed medical marijuana 21 dispensary, a licensed medical marijuana commercial grower or a 22 licensed medical marijuana processor. If the federal government 23 lifts restrictions on buying and selling marijuana between states, 24

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1 then a licensed medical marijuana commercial grower would be allowed 2 to sell and buy marijuana wholesale from, or to, an out-of-state wholesale provider. A licensed medical marijuana commercial grower 3 shall be required to complete a monthly yield and sales report to 4 5 the Authority. This report shall be due on the fifteenth of each month and provide reporting on the previous month. This report 6 shall detail the amount of marijuana harvested in pounds, the amount 7 of drying or dried marijuana on hand, the amount of marijuana sold 8 9 to licensed processors in pounds, the amount of waste in pounds, and the amount of marijuana sold to licensed medical marijuana 10 dispensaries in pounds. Additionally, this report shall show total 11 wholesale sales in dollars. The Authority shall have oversight and 12 auditing responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana being grown 13 by licensed medical marijuana commercial growers is accounted for. 14

D. There shall be no limits on how much marijuana a licensedmedical marijuana commercial grower can grow.

Ε. Beginning on November 1, 2021, licensed medical marijuana 17 commercial growers shall be authorized to package and sell pre-18 rolled marijuana to licensed medical marijuana dispensaries. 19 The products described in this subsection shall contain only the ground 20 parts of the marijuana plant and shall not include marijuana 21 concentrates or derivatives. The total net weight of each pre-roll 22 packaged and sold by licensed medical marijuana commercial growers 23 shall not exceed one (1) gram. These products must be tested, 24

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packaged and labeled in accordance with Oklahoma law and rules
 promulgated by the Authority.

3	F. Beginning November 1, 2022, all medical marijuana commercial
4	grower licensees who operate an outdoor medical marijuana production
5	facility shall be required to register with the Oklahoma Department
6	of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry as an environmentally sensitive
7	crop owner. Registration shall provide notice to commercial and
8	private pesticide applicators of the locations of medical marijuana
9	crops and help minimize the potential for damaging pesticide drift.
10	Medical marijuana commercial grower licensees shall provide their
11	business name, address, Global Positioning System (GPS) coordinates
12	for all outdoor medical marijuana production facilities, and any
13	other information required by the Department when registering with
14	the Environmentally Sensitive Area Registry.

SECTION 7. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 422, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 422), is hereby repealed.

18 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 423, as last 19 amended by Section 3, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 20 Section 423), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 423. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall 22 make available on its website in an easy-to-find location an 23 application for a medical marijuana processing license. The 24 Authority shall be authorized to issue two types of medical

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1 marijuana processor licenses based on the level of risk posed by the 2 type of processing conducted:

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1. Nonhazardous medical marijuana processor license; and

2. Hazardous medical marijuana processor license.

5 The application fee for a nonhazardous or hazardous medical marijuana processor license shall be paid by the applicant in the 6 amounts provided for in Section 427.14 of this title. A method of 7 payment shall be provided on the website of the Authority. 8 The 9 Authority shall have ninety (90) business days to review the 10 application; approve, reject, or deny the application; and send the approval, rejection, or denial letter stating the reasons for the 11 12 rejection or denial to the applicant in the same method the application was submitted to the Authority. 13

B. The Authority shall approve all applications which meet the following criteria:

16 1. The applicant must be twenty-five (25) years of age or 17 older;

18 2. The applicant, if applying as an individual, must show 19 residency in this state;

3. All applying entities must show that all members, managers,
and board members are Oklahoma residents of this state;

4. An applying entity may show ownership of non-Oklahoma
<u>nonstate</u> residents, but that percentage ownership may not exceed
twenty-five percent (25%);

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5. All applying individuals or entities must be registered to
 2 conduct business in this state; and

3 6. All applicants must disclose all ownership interests in the4 processing operation.

Applicants with a nonviolent felony conviction in the last two (2) years, any other felony conviction in the last five (5) years, inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections or any person currently incarcerated shall not qualify for a medical marijuana processing license.

10 C. 1. A licensed processor may take marijuana plants and 11 distill or process these plants into concentrates, edibles, and 12 other forms for consumption.

2. As required by subsection D of this section, the <u>The</u>
<u>Executive Director of the</u> Authority shall make available a set of
standards which shall be used by licensed processors in the
preparation of edible marijuana products. The standards should be
in line with current food preparation guidelines. No excessive or
punitive rules may be established by the <u>Authority Executive</u>
Director.

3. Up to two times a year, the Authority may inspect a processing operation and determine its compliance with the preparation standards. If deficiencies are found, a written report of the deficiency shall be issued to the licensed processor. The licensed processor shall have one (1) month to correct the

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1 deficiency or be subject to a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)
2 for each deficiency.

4. A licensed processor may sell marijuana products it creates
to a licensed dispensary or any other licensed processor. All sales
by a licensed processor shall be considered wholesale sales and
shall not be subject to taxation.

5. Under no circumstances may a licensed processor sell
marijuana or any marijuana product directly to a licensed medical
marijuana patient or licensed caregiver. However, a licensed
processor may process cannabis into a concentrated form for a
licensed medical marijuana patient for a fee.

12 6. Licensed processors shall be required to complete a monthly yield and sales report to the Authority. This report shall be due 13 on the fifteenth of each month and shall provide reporting on the 14 previous month. This report shall detail the amount of marijuana 15 and medical marijuana products purchased in pounds, the amount of 16 marijuana cooked or processed in pounds, and the amount of waste in 17 pounds. Additionally, this report shall show total wholesale sales 18 in dollars. The Authority shall have oversight and auditing 19 responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana being processed is 20 accounted for. 21

D. The Authority shall oversee the inspection and compliance of licensed processors producing products with marijuana as an additive. The Authority shall be compelled to, within thirty (30)

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1 days of passage of this initiative, appoint twelve (12) Oklahoma 2 residents to the Medical Marijuana Advisory Council, who are marijuana industry experts, to create a list of food safety 3 standards for processing and handling medical marijuana in Oklahoma. 4 5 These standards shall be adopted by the Authority and the Authority may enforce these standards for licensed processors. The Authority 6 shall develop a standards review procedure and these standards can 7 be altered by calling another council of twelve (12) Oklahoma 8 9 marijuana industry experts. A signed letter of twenty operating, 10 licensed processors shall constitute a need for a new council and standards review. 11

12 E. If it becomes permissible under federal law, marijuana may
13 be moved across state lines.

14 F. E. Any device used for the processing or consumption of
15 medical marijuana shall be considered legal to be sold,
16 manufactured, distributed and possessed. No merchant, wholesaler,
17 manufacturer or individual may be unduly harassed or prosecuted for
18 selling, manufacturing or possessing marijuana paraphernalia.

19 SECTION 9. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 423, as 20 amended by Section 4, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 21 Section 423), is hereby repealed.

22 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as 23 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 24 2023, Section 425), is amended to read as follows:

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Section 425. A. No school or landlord may refuse to enroll or lease to and may not otherwise penalize a person solely for his or her status as a licensed medical marijuana patient, unless failing to do so would cause the school or landlord the potential to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations.

B. 1. Unless a failure to do so would cause an employer the
potential to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under
federal law or regulations, an employer may not discriminate against
a person in hiring, termination or imposing any term or condition of
employment or otherwise penalize a person based upon the status of
the person as a licensed medical marijuana patient.

2. Employers may take action against a licensed medical 13 marijuana patient if the licensed medical marijuana patient uses or 14 possesses marijuana while in his or her place of employment or 15 during the hours of employment. Employers may not take action 16 against the licensed medical marijuana patient solely based upon the 17 status of an employee as a licensed medical marijuana patient or the 18 results of a drug test showing positive for marijuana or its 19 components. 20

C. For the purposes of medical care, including organ transplants, the authorized use of marijuana by a licensed medical marijuana patient shall be considered the equivalent of the use of any other medication under the direction of a physician and does not

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constitute the use of an illicit substance or otherwise disqualify a
 registered qualifying patient from medical care.

D. No licensed medical marijuana patient may be denied custody of or visitation or parenting time with a minor child, and there is no presumption of neglect or child endangerment for conduct allowed under this law, unless the behavior of the person creates an unreasonable danger to the safety of the minor child.

8 E. No licensed medical marijuana patient may unduly be withheld 9 from holding a state-issued license by virtue of their being a 10 licensed medical marijuana patient including, but not limited to, a 11 concealed carry permit.

F. 1. No city or local municipality may unduly change or restrict zoning laws to prevent the opening of a medical marijuana dispensary.

2. For purposes of this subsection, an undue change or 15 restriction of municipal zoning laws means an act which entirely 16 prevents medical marijuana dispensaries from operating within 17 municipal boundaries as a matter of law. Municipalities may follow 18 their standard planning and zoning procedures to determine if 19 certain zones or districts would be appropriate for locating 20 marijuana-licensed premises, medical marijuana businesses or any 21 other premises where marijuana or its by-products are cultivated, 22 grown, processed, stored or manufactured. 23

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3. For purposes of this section, a medical marijuana dispensary
 does not include those other entities licensed by the Department
 <u>Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority</u> as marijuana-licensed premises,
 medical marijuana businesses or other facilities or locations where
 marijuana or any product containing marijuana or its by-products are
 cultivated, grown, processed, stored or manufactured.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the 7 G. location of any retail medical marijuana dispensary is specifically 8 9 prohibited within one thousand (1,000) feet of any school entrance. On and after the effective date of this act, for purposes of 10 calculating the 1,000-foot setback distance, the measurement shall 11 be determined by calculating the distance in a straight line from 12 the school door nearest the front door of the retail marijuana 13 dispensary to the front door of the retail marijuana dispensary. 14 1. 2. On and after June 26, 2018, if any school is established 15 within one thousand (1,000) feet of any retail marijuana dispensary 16

18 the setback distance between properties shall not apply as long as 19 the licensed property is used for its original licensed purpose. 20 The licensed location shall be grandfathered in as to the setback 21 distance as long as the property is used in accordance with the 22 original licensed purpose.

after a license has been issued by the Authority for that location,

23 2. 3. On and after June 26, 2018, the Authority, due to an
24 error in measurement of the setback distance or failure to measure

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1 the setback distance by the Authority prior to issuance of an original license at a location, shall not: 2 deny any issuance or renewal of a license at that 3 a. location, 4 5 b. deny any transfer of license pursuant to a change in ownership at that location, or 6 revoke any license due to an error in measurement or 7 с. failure to measure the setback distance, except as 8 9 otherwise provided by law. The retail marijuana dispensary shall be grandfathered in as to 10 the setback distance, subject only to the municipal compliance 11 provisions of Section 426.1 of this title. 12 3. 4. For purposes of this subsection and subsection H of this 13 section: 14 "school" means the same as defined in Section 427.2 of 15 a. this title, and 16 b. "error in measurement" means a mistake made by the 17 Authority or a municipality in the setback measurement 18 process where either the distance between a retail 19 marijuana dispensary and a school is miscalculated due 20 to mathematical error or the method used to measure 21 the setback distance is inconsistent with this 22 section. The setback measurement process is allowed 23 an error in measurement up to and including five 24

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1	hundred (500) feet when remeasured after an original			
2	license has been issued.			
3	H. The location of any medical marijuana commercial grower			
4	shall not be within one thousand (1,000) feet of any school as			
5	measured from the nearest property line of such school to the			
6	nearest property line of the licensed premises of such medical			
7	marijuana commercial grower. Additionally, the location of the			
8	medical marijuana commercial grower shall not adjoin to any school			
9	or be located at the same physical address as the school. If a			
10	medical marijuana commercial grower met the requirements of this			
11	subsection at the time of its initial licensure, the medical			
12	marijuana commercial grower licensee shall be permitted to continue			
13	operating at the licensed premises in the same manner and not be			
14	subject to nonrenewal or revocation due to subsequent events or			
15	changes in regulations occurring after licensure that would render			
16	the medical marijuana commercial grower in violation of this			
17	subsection. If any school is established within one thousand			
18	(1,000) feet of any medical marijuana commercial grower after such			
19	medical marijuana commercial grower has been licensed, or if any			
20	school is established adjoining to or at the same physical address			
21	as any medical marijuana commercial grower after such medical			
22	marijuana commercial grower has been licensed, the provisions of			
23	this subsection shall not be a deterrent to the renewal of such			
24	license or warrant revocation of the license. For purposes of this			

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1 subsection, a property owned, used, or operated by a school that is

2 not used for classroom instruction on core curriculum, such as an

3 administrative building, athletic facility, ballpark, field, or

4 stadium, shall not constitute a school unless such property is

5 located on the same campus as a building used for classroom

6 instruction on core curriculum.

SECTION 11. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last
amended by Section 1, Chapter 10, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,
Section 425), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 12. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 425), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 13. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 425, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 317, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 425), is hereby repealed.

16 SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 426.1, as 17 last amended by Section 6, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 18 2023, Section 426.1), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 426.1. A. All licensure revocation hearings conducted 20 pursuant to marijuana licenses established in the Oklahoma Statutes 21 shall be recorded. A party may request a copy of the recording of 22 the proceedings. Copies shall be provided to local law enforcement 23 if the revocation was based on alleged criminal activity.

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B. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall assist any
law enforcement officer in the performance of his or her duties upon
such request by the law enforcement officer or the request of other
local officials having jurisdiction. Except for license information
concerning licensed patients, as defined in Section 427.2 of this
title, the Authority shall share information with law enforcement
agencies upon request without a subpoena or search warrant.

8 C. The Authority shall make available all information on 9 whether or not a medical marijuana patient or caregiver license is 10 valid to law enforcement electronically through an online 11 verification system.

12 D. The Authority shall make available to state agencies and political subdivisions a list of marijuana-licensed premises, 13 medical marijuana businesses or any other premises where marijuana 14 or its by-products are licensed to be cultivated, grown, processed, 15 stored or manufactured to aid state agencies and county and 16 municipal governments in identifying locations within their 17 jurisdiction and ensuring compliance with applicable laws, rules and 18 regulations. 19

E. <u>1.</u> Any marijuana-licensed premises, medical marijuana
business or any other premises where marijuana or its by-products
are licensed to be cultivated, grown, processed, stored or
manufactured shall submit with its application or request to change
location, after notifying the political subdivision of its intent, a

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1 certificate of compliance from the political subdivision where the 2 facility of the applicant or licensee is to be located certifying 3 compliance with zoning classifications, applicable municipal 4 ordinances and all applicable safety, electrical, fire, plumbing, 5 waste, construction and building specification codes.

6 <u>2. Beginning on May 28, 2021, upon the initial request for</u>
7 renewal or transfer of a retail marijuana dispensary license, a
8 municipal government may object to the continued licensure of the
9 medical marijuana dispensary if the municipal government determines
10 it is operating contrary to the required setback distance from a
11 school including the error in measurement allowance authorized by
12 Section 425 of this title.

<u>3. To prevent the granting of the grandfather provisions of</u>
<u>Section 425 of this title as a matter of law, the municipal</u>
<u>government shall provide the following documentation prior to the</u>
<u>initial renewal or transfer of a license:</u>

17	<u>a.</u>	a municipal resolution finding that the marijuana
18		dispensary is located within the prohibited setback
19		distance from a school that was openly in existence in
20		such a way that the public generally would have known
21		of the school's existence and operation in that
22		location prior to the original marijuana dispensary
23		being licensed. For purposes of this subparagraph,
24		"openly in existence" means any building, location or

1		structure on a school site that has visible outward
2		markings indicating the building, location or
З		structure was operating as a school which would serve
4		as sufficient notice of the existence of the school or
5		a reason for further inquiry on the part of the
6		marijuana dispensary license applicant. Openly in
7		existence shall not mean any school that operated
8		secretly or discreetly without any signs or other
9		markings on any building, location or structure on the
10		school site, undeveloped land or a structure owned by
11		a school that was not openly used and marked as a
12		school site, or any school site that was established
13		after the marijuana dispensary had been established
14		and licensed by the Authority, and
15	b.	documentation of the measured distance from the school
16		to the marijuana dispensary utilizing the method for
17		determining the setback distance less any allowable
18		error in measurement calculated and remeasured on and
19		after the effective date of this act as authorized by
20		Section 425 of this title.
21	4. Prior	to initial renewal or transfer of a license and upon
22	receipt of do	cumentation required by paragraph 3 of this subsection,
23	if the Author	ity determines that the medical marijuana dispensary is
24	operating con	trary to the required setback distance from a school

1 <u>including the error in measurement allowance authorized by Section</u>
2 <u>425 of this title, the Authority may deny the renewal or transfer of</u>
3 <u>the medical marijuana dispensary license and shall cause the license</u>
4 <u>to be revoked.</u>

5 <u>5. For purposes of this subsection, "school" means the same as</u>
6 defined in Section 427.2 of this title.

7 Once a certificate of compliance has been submitted to the 8 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority showing full compliance as 9 outlined in this subsection, no additional certificate of compliance 10 shall be required for license renewal unless a change of use or 11 occupancy occurs, or there is any change concerning the facility or 12 location that would, by law, require additional inspection, 13 licensure or permitting by the state or municipality.

14 SECTION 15. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 426.1, as 15 amended by Section 3, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 16 Section 426.1), is hereby repealed.

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 SECTION 16.
 AMENDATORY
 63 0.S. 2021, Section 427.2, as

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 last amended by Section 7, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 0.S. Supp.

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 2023, Section 427.2), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 427.2. As used in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 21 Patient Protection 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

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1 indirectly any person to patronize a particular medical marijuana business, or to purchase particular medical marijuana or a medical 2 marijuana product. Advertising includes marketing, but does not 3 include packaging and labeling; 4 5 2. "Authority" means the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority; "Batch number" means a unique numeric or alphanumeric 6 3. identifier assigned prior to testing to allow for inventory tracking 7 and traceability; 8 9 4. "Cannabinoid" means any of the chemical compounds that are 10 active principles of marijuana; 5. "Caregiver" means a family member or assistant who regularly 11 12 looks after a medical marijuana patient license holder whom a physician attests needs assistance; 13 6. "Child-resistant" means special packaging that is: 14 designed or constructed to be significantly difficult 15 a. for children under five (5) years of age to open and 16 not difficult for normal adults to use properly as 17 defined by 16 C.F.R. 1700.15 (1995) and 16 C.F.R. 18 1700.20 (1995), and 19 20 b. opaque so that the outermost packaging does not allow the product to be seen without opening the packaging 21

22 material, and

c. resealable to maintain its child-resistant effectiveness for multiple openings for any product

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intended for more than a single use or containing
multiple servings;

3 7. "Clone" means a nonflowering plant cut from a mother plant 4 that is capable of developing into a new plant and has shown no 5 signs of flowering;

8. "Complete application" means a document prepared in
accordance with the provisions set forth in the Oklahoma Medical
Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, rules promulgated pursuant
thereto, and the forms and instructions provided by the Oklahoma
Medical Marijuana Authority including any supporting documentation
required and the applicable license application fee;

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

14 10. "Dispense" means the selling of medical marijuana or a 15 medical marijuana product to a qualified patient or the designated 16 caregiver of the patient that is packaged in a suitable container 17 appropriately labeled for subsequent administration to or use by a 18 qualifying patient;

19 11. "Dispensary" means a medical marijuana dispensary, an 20 entity that has been licensed by the Authority pursuant to the 21 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act to purchase 22 medical marijuana or medical marijuana products from a licensed 23 medical marijuana commercial grower or licensed medical marijuana 24 processor, to prepare and package noninfused pre-rolled medical

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1 marijuana, and to sell medical marijuana or medical marijuana 2 products to licensed patients and caregivers as defined in this 3 section, or sell or transfer products to another licensed 4 dispensary;

5 12. "Edible medical marijuana product" means any medical-6 marijuana-infused product for which the intended use is oral 7 consumption including, but not limited to, any type of food, drink 8 or pill;

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

12 14. "Flower" means the reproductive organs of the marijuana or 13 cannabis plant referred to as the bud or parts of the plant that are 14 harvested and used for consumption in a variety of medical marijuana 15 products;

16 15. "Flowering" means the reproductive state of the marijuana 17 or cannabis plant in which there are physical signs of flower or 18 budding out of the nodes of the stem;

19 16. <u>"Exit package" means an opaque bag that is provided at the</u> 20 point of sale in which pre-packaged medical marijuana is placed;

21 <u>17.</u> "Food-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical 22 marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids 23 from medical marijuana through the use of propylene glycol,

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1 glycerin, butter, olive oil, coconut oil or other typical food-safe
2 cooking fats;

3 17. 18. "Harvest batch" means a specifically identified
4 quantity of medical marijuana that is uniform in strain, cultivated
5 utilizing the same cultivation practices, harvested at the same time
6 from the same location and cured under uniform conditions;

7 18. 19. "Harvested marijuana" means postflowering medical
8 marijuana not including trim, concentrate or waste;

9 19. 20. "Heat- or pressure-based medical marijuana concentrate" 10 means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by 11 extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of 12 heat or pressure;

13 20. <u>21.</u> "Immature plant" means a nonflowering marijuana plant 14 that has not demonstrated signs of flowering;

15 <u>21. 22.</u> "Inventory tracking system" means the required tracking 16 system that accounts for the entire life span of medical marijuana 17 and medical marijuana products including any testing samples thereof 18 and medical marijuana waste;

19 <u>22. 23.</u> "Licensed patient" or "patient" means a person who has 20 been issued a medical marijuana patient license by the Oklahoma 21 Medical Marijuana Authority;

22 23. 24. "Licensed premises" means the premises specified in an 23 application for a medical marijuana business license, medical 24 marijuana research facility license or medical marijuana education

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facility license pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection 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 the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and rules promulgated pursuant thereto;

8 24. 25. "Manufacture" means the production, propagation, 9 compounding or processing of a medical marijuana product, excluding 10 marijuana plants, either directly or indirectly by extraction from 11 substances of natural or synthetic origin, or independently by means 12 of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and 13 chemical synthesis;

14 <u>25.</u> <u>26.</u> "Marijuana" shall have the same meaning as such term is 15 defined in Section 2-101 of this title <u>and shall not include any</u> 16 <u>plant or material containing delta-8 or delta 10</u>

17 <u>tetrahydrocannabinol which is grown, processed, or sold pursuant to</u> 18 the provisions of the Oklahoma Industrial Hemp Program;

19 26. 27. "Material change" means any change that would affect 20 the qualifications for licensure of an applicant or licensee; 21 27. 28. "Mature plant" means a harvestable female marijuana 22 plant that is flowering;

23 28. 29. "Medical marijuana business (MMB)" means a licensed
 24 medical marijuana dispensary, medical marijuana processor, medical

marijuana commercial grower, medical marijuana laboratory, medical
 marijuana business operator or a medical marijuana transporter;

3 29. <u>30.</u> "Medical marijuana concentrate" or "concentrate" means 4 a specific subset of medical marijuana that was produced by 5 extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana. Categories of 6 medical marijuana concentrate include water-based medical marijuana 7 concentrate, food-based medical marijuana concentrate, solvent-based 8 medical marijuana concentrate, and heat- or pressure-based medical 9 marijuana concentrate;

30. 31. "Medical marijuana commercial grower" or "commercial 10 grower" means an entity licensed to cultivate, prepare and package 11 12 medical marijuana or package medical marijuana as pre-rolls, and transfer or contract for transfer medical marijuana and medical 13 marijuana pre-rolls to a medical marijuana dispensary, medical 14 marijuana processor, any other medical marijuana commercial grower, 15 medical marijuana research facility or medical marijuana education 16 facility. A commercial grower may sell seeds, flower or clones to 17 commercial growers pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 18 Patient Protection Act; 19

20 31. 32. "Medical marijuana education facility" or "education 21 facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to the Oklahoma 22 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act to operate a facility 23 providing training and education to individuals involving the 24 cultivation, growing, harvesting, curing, preparing, packaging or

1 testing of medical marijuana, or the production, manufacture,
2 extraction, processing, packaging or creation of medical-marijuana3 infused products or medical marijuana products as described in the
4 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act;

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

33. 34. "Medical marijuana product" or "product" means a 8 9 product that contains cannabinoids that have been extracted from plant material or the resin therefrom by physical or chemical means 10 and is intended for administration to a qualified patient including, 11 12 but not limited to, oils, tinctures, edibles, pills, topical forms, gels, creams, vapors, patches, liquids, and forms administered by a 13 nebulizer, excluding live plant forms which are considered medical 14 15 marijuana;

16 34. 35. "Medical marijuana processor" means a person or entity 17 licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 18 Protection Act to operate a business including the production, 19 manufacture, extraction, processing, packaging or creation of 20 concentrate, medical-marijuana-infused products or medical marijuana 21 products as described in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 22 Protection Act;

23 <u>35.</u> <u>36.</u> "Medical marijuana research facility" or "research 24 facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to the Oklahoma

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Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act to conduct medical
 marijuana research. A medical marijuana research facility is not a
 medical marijuana business;

36. <u>37.</u> "Medical marijuana testing laboratory" or "laboratory"
means a public or private laboratory licensed pursuant to the
Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act to conduct
testing and research on medical marijuana and medical marijuana
products;

9 37. 38. "Medical marijuana transporter" or "transporter" means a person or entity that is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical 10 Marijuana and Patient Protection Act. A medical marijuana 11 transporter does not include a medical marijuana business that 12 transports its own medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate 13 or medical marijuana products to a property or facility adjacent to 14 or connected to the licensed premises if the property is another 15 licensed premises of the same medical marijuana business; 16

17 38. 39. "Medical marijuana waste" or "waste" means unused, 18 surplus, returned or out-of-date marijuana, plant debris of the 19 plant of the genus Cannabis including dead plants and all unused 20 plant parts and roots, except the term shall not include roots, 21 stems, stalks and fan leaves;

22 39. 40. "Medical use" means the acquisition, possession, use, 23 delivery, transfer or transportation of medical marijuana, medical 24 marijuana products, medical marijuana devices or paraphernalia

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1 relating to the administration of medical marijuana to treat a
2 licensed patient;

3 40. 41. "Mother plant" means a marijuana plant that is grown or 4 maintained for the purpose of generating clones, and that will not 5 be used to produce plant material for sale to a medical marijuana 6 processor or medical marijuana dispensary;

7 <u>41. 42.</u> "Oklahoma physician" or "physician" means a physician
8 licensed by and in good standing with the State Board of Medical
9 Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners
10 or the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners;

11 <u>42. 43.</u> "Oklahoma resident" means an individual who can provide 12 proof of residency as required by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 13 Patient Protection Act;

14 <u>43. 44.</u> "Owner" means, except where the context otherwise 15 requires, a direct beneficial owner including, but not limited to, 16 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 limitedliability company,

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1 all beneficiaries that hold a beneficial interest in a e. 2 trust and all trustees of a trust, all persons or entities that own interest in a joint 3 f. 4 venture, 5 all persons or entities that own an interest in an q. association, 6 the owners of any other type of legal entity, and 7 h. any other person holding an interest or convertible 8 i. 9 note in any entity which owns, operates or manages a licensed facility; 10 44. 45. "Package" or "packaging" means any container or wrapper 11 12 that may be used by a medical marijuana business to enclose or contain medical marijuana; 13 45. 46. "Person" means a natural person, partnership, 14 association, business trust, company, corporation, estate, limited 15

16 liability company, trust or any other legal entity or organization, 17 or a manager, agent, owner, director, servant, officer or employee 18 thereof, except that person does not include any governmental 19 organization;

46. <u>47.</u> "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

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a "new animal drug" as designated by the United States Food and Drug
 Administration;

3 47. 48. "Production batch" means:
4 a. any amount of medical marijuana concentrate of the
5 same category and produced using the same extraction
6 methods, standard operating procedures and an
7 identical group of harvest batch of medical marijuana,
8 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;

48. <u>49.</u> "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;
49. <u>50.</u> "Public money" means any funds or money obtained by the
holder from any governmental entity including, but not limited to,

19 research grants;

20 50. 51. "Recommendation" means a document that is signed or 21 electronically submitted by a physician on behalf of a patient for 22 the use of medical marijuana pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical 23 Marijuana and Patient Protection Act;

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1 <u>51. 52.</u> "Registered to conduct business" means a person that 2 has provided proof that the business applicant or licensee is in 3 good standing with the Secretary of State;

52. 53. "Remediation" means the process by which a harvest
batch or production batch that fails testing undergoes a procedure
to remedy the harvest batch or production batch and is retested in
accordance with state laws, rules and regulations;

53. 54. "Research project" means a discrete scientific endeavor 8 9 to answer a research question or a set of research questions related 10 to medical marijuana and is required for a medical marijuana research license. A research project shall include a description of 11 12 a defined protocol, clearly articulated goals, defined methods and outputs, and a defined start and end date. The description shall 13 demonstrate that the research project will comply with all 14 requirements in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 15 Protection Act and rules promulgated pursuant thereto. All research 16 and development conducted by a medical marijuana research facility 17 shall be conducted in furtherance of an approved research project; 18 54. 55. "Revocation" means the final decision by the Authority 19 that any license issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana 20 and Patient Protection Act is rescinded because the individual or 21 entity does not comply with the applicable requirements set forth in 22 the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act or rules 23 promulgated pursuant thereto; 24

1 55. <u>56.</u> "School" means a public or private elementary, middle 2 or high school, or technology center school which is primarily used 3 for school classes and <u>classroom</u> instruction. A homeschool, daycare 4 or child-care facility shall not be considered a school as used in 5 the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act;

56. <u>57.</u> "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;

12 57. 58. "Solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a 13 medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting 14 cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of a solvent 15 approved by the Executive Director;

16 <u>58. 59.</u> "State Question" means Oklahoma State Question No. 788, 17 Initiative Petition No. 412, approved by a majority vote of the 18 citizens of Oklahoma on June 26, 2018;

19 59. <u>60.</u> "Strain" means the name given to a particular variety 20 of medical marijuana that is based on a combination of factors which 21 may include, but is not limited to, botanical lineage, appearance, 22 chemical profile and accompanying effects. An example of a "strain" 23 would be "OG Kush" or "Pineapple Express";

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1 60. 61. "THC" means tetrahydrocannabinol, which is the primary
2 psychotropic cannabinoid in marijuana formed by decarboxylation of
3 naturally tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, which generally occurs by
4 exposure to heat;

61. 62. "Transporter agent" means a person who transports
medical marijuana or medical marijuana products as an employee of a
licensed medical marijuana business and holds a transporter agent
license specific to that business pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical
Marijuana and Patient Protection Act;

10 <u>62. 63.</u> "Universal symbol" means the image established by the 11 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority and made available to licensees 12 through its website indicating that the medical marijuana or the 13 medical marijuana product contains THC;

14 <u>63. 64.</u> "Usable marijuana" means the dried leaves, flowers, 15 oils, vapors, waxes and other portions of the marijuana plant and 16 any mixture or preparation thereof, excluding seeds, roots, stems, 17 stalks and fan leaves; and

18 64. 65. "Water-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a
19 concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from
20 medical marijuana through the use of only water, ice or dry ice.
21 SECTION 17. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.2, as
22 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 141, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp.
23 2023, Section 427.2), is hereby repealed.

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SECTION 18. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.2, as
 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 317, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp.
 2023, Section 427.2), is hereby repealed.

4 SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as 5 amended by Section 8, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 6 Section 427.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.3. A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Medical 7 Marijuana Authority which shall address issues related to the 8 9 medical marijuana program in this state including, but not limited 10 to, the issuance of patient licenses and medical marijuana business licenses, and the dispensing, cultivating, processing, testing, 11 12 transporting, storage, research, and the use of and sale of medical 13 marijuana pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act. 14

B. 1. Beginning on the effective date of this act, the 15 Authority shall cease to be part of or a division of the State 16 Department of Health and shall be deemed to be a separate and 17 distinct agency, to be known as the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana 18 Authority. The Authority and the Executive Director of the 19 Authority shall continue to exercise their statutory powers, duties, 20 and contractual responsibilities. All records, property, equipment, 21 assets, monies, financial interests, liabilities, matters pending, 22 and funds of the division shall be transferred to the Authority. 23

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All licenses granted by the Department pertaining to medical
 marijuana shall maintain rights and privileges under the authority
 of the Authority; provided, however, that all licenses shall be
 subject to revocation, suspension, or disciplinary action for
 violation of any of the provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana
 and Patient Protection Act and rules promulgated by the Executive
 Director.

8 3. The Authority shall succeed to any contractual rights or
9 responsibilities incurred by the Department pertaining to medical
10 marijuana.

4. Rules promulgated by the State Commissioner of Health
pertaining to medical marijuana that are in effect on the effective
date of this act shall be immediately adopted and enforced by the
Executive Director. The Executive Director maintains the authority
to further promulgate and enforce rules.

5. The Department and the Authority may enter into an agreement 16 for the transfer of personnel from the Department to the Authority. 17 No employee shall be transferred to the Authority except on the 18 freely given written consent of the employee. All employees who are 19 transferred to the Authority shall not be required to accept a 20 lesser grade or salary than presently received. All employees shall 21 retain leave, sick, and annual time earned, and any retirement and 22 longevity benefits which have accrued during their tenure with the 23 Department. The transfer of personnel between the state agencies 24

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shall be coordinated with the Office of Management and Enterprise
 Services.

6. The expenses incurred by the Authority as a result of the
transfer required by this subsection shall be paid by the Authority.
7. The division within the Department known as the Oklahoma
Medical Marijuana Authority shall be abolished by the Department
after the transfer has been completed.

8 8. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall
9 coordinate the transfer of records, property, equipment, assets,
10 funds, allotments, purchase orders, liabilities, outstanding
11 financial obligations, or encumbrances provided for in this
12 subsection.

C. The Authority shall implement the provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act consistently with the voter-approved State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act.

D. The Authority shall exercise its respective powers and perform its respective duties and functions as specified in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and this title including, but not limited to, the following:

Determine steps the state shall take, whether administrative
 or legislative in nature, to ensure that research on marijuana and

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1 marijuana products is being conducted for public purposes including
2 the advancement of:

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a. public health policy and public safety policy,b. agronomic and horticultural best practices, andc. medical and pharmacopoeia best practices;

2. Contract with third-party vendors and other governmental
entities in order to carry out the respective duties and functions
as specified in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient
Protection Act;

3. Upon complaint or upon its own motion and upon a completed investigation, levy fines as prescribed in applicable laws, rules and regulations and suspend, revoke or not renew licenses pursuant to applicable laws, rules and regulations;

14 4. Issue subpoenas for the appearance or production of persons,
15 records and things in connection with disciplinary or contested
16 cases considered by the Authority;

17 5. Apply for injunctive or declaratory relief to enforce the18 provisions of applicable laws, rules and regulations;

Inspect and examine all licensed premises of medical
 marijuana businesses, research facilities, education facilities and
 waste disposal facilities in which medical marijuana is cultivated,
 manufactured, sold, stored, transported, tested, distributed or
 disposed of;

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7. Upon action by the federal government by which the
 production, sale, and use of marijuana in this state does not
 violate federal law, work with the Banking Department and the State
 Treasurer to develop good practices and standards for banking and
 finance for medical marijuana businesses;

8. Establish internal control procedures for licenses including
accounting procedures, reporting procedures, and personnel policies;

8 9. Establish a fee schedule and collect fees for performing
9 background checks as the Executive Director deems appropriate. The
10 fees charged pursuant to this paragraph shall not exceed the actual
11 cost incurred for each background check;

12 10. Establish a fee schedule and collect fees for material13 changes requested by the licensee; and

14 11. Establish regulations, which require a medical marijuana 15 business to submit information to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana 16 Authority, deemed reasonably necessary to assist the Authority in 17 the prevention of diversion of medical marijuana by a licensed 18 medical marijuana business. Such information required by the 19 Authority may include, but shall not be limited to:

a. the square footage of the licensed premises,
b. a diagram of the licensed premises,
c. the number and type of lights at the licensed medical

23 marijuana commercial grower business,

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1	d. the number, type, and production capacity of equipment
2	located at the medical marijuana processing facility,
3	e. the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of
4	employees or agents of a medical marijuana business,
5	f. employment manuals and standard operating procedures
6	for the medical marijuana business, and
7	g. any other information as the Authority reasonably
8	deems necessary; and
9	12. Declare and establish a moratorium on processing and
10	issuing new medical marijuana business licenses pursuant to Section
11	427.14 of this title for an amount of time the Authority deems
12	necessary.
13	E. The Authority shall be authorized to enter into and
14	negotiate the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding between the
15	Authority and other state agencies concerning the enforcement of
16	laws regulating medical marijuana in this state.
17	SECTION 20. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as
18	amended by Section 30, Chapter 228, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,
19	Section 427.3), is hereby repealed.
20	SECTION 21. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as
21	last amended by Section 4, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp.
22	2023, Section 427.3), is hereby repealed.
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SECTION 22. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.6, as
 last amended by Section 4, Chapter 168, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp.
 2023, Section 427.6), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.6. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority
shall address issues related to the medical marijuana program in
this state including, but not limited to, monitoring and
disciplinary actions as they relate to the medical marijuana
program.

9 Β. 1. The Authority, its designee, or the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State 10 Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General may perform on-11 site inspections or investigations of a licensee or applicant for 12 any medical marijuana business license, research facility, education 13 facility or waste disposal facility to determine compliance with 14 applicable laws, rules and regulations or submissions made pursuant 15 to this section. The Authority, its designee, or the Oklahoma State 16 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State 17 Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General may enter the 18 licensed premises of a medical marijuana business, research 19 facility, education facility or waste disposal facility licensee or 20 applicant to assess or monitor compliance or ensure qualifications 21 for licensure. 22

23 2. Post-licensure Except as otherwise provided by law, post 24 licensure inspections shall be limited to twice per calendar year.

1 However, investigations and additional inspections may occur when the Authority believes an investigation or additional inspection is 2 necessary due to a possible violation or noncompliance of applicable 3 laws, rules or regulations. The Executive Director of the Authority 4 5 may adopt rules imposing penalties including, but not limited to, monetary fines and suspension or revocation of licensure for failure 6 to allow the Authority reasonable access to the licensed premises 7 for purposes of conducting an inspection. 8

9 3. The Authority, its designee, or the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of 10 Investigation, and the Attorney General may review relevant records 11 12 of a licensed medical marijuana business, licensed medical marijuana research facility, licensed medical marijuana education facility or 13 licensed medical marijuana waste disposal facility, and may require 14 and conduct interviews with such persons or entities and persons 15 affiliated with such entities, for the purpose of determining 16 compliance with Authority requirements of the Executive Director and 17 applicable laws, rules and regulations. 18

4. The Authority may refer complaints alleging criminal
 activity that are made against a licensee to appropriate state or
 local law enforcement authorities including, but not limited to, the
 Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the
 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General.

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C. Disciplinary action may be taken against an applicant or
 licensee for not adhering to applicable laws pursuant to the terms,
 conditions and guidelines set forth in the Oklahoma Medical
 Marijuana and Patient Protection Act.

5 D. Disciplinary actions may include revocation, suspension or 6 denial of an application, license or final authorization and other 7 action deemed appropriate by the <u>Executive Director of the</u> 8 Authority.

9 E. Disciplinary actions may be imposed upon a medical marijuana10 business licensee for:

Failure to comply with or satisfy any provision of
 applicable laws, rules or regulations;

Falsification or misrepresentation of any material or
 information submitted to the Authority or other licensees;

15 3. Failing to allow or impeding entry by authorized
16 representatives of the Authority;

4. Failure to adhere to any acknowledgement, verification orother representation made to the Authority;

19 5. Failure to submit or disclose information required by 20 applicable laws, rules or regulations or otherwise requested by the 21 Authority;

6. Failure to correct any violation of this section cited as aresult of a review or audit of financial records or other materials;

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Failure to comply with requested access by the Authority to
 the licensed premises or materials;

8. Failure to pay a required monetary penalty;

9. Diversion of medical marijuana or any medical marijuana
5 product, as determined by the Authority;

10. Threatening or harming a medical marijuana patient
licensee, caregiver licensee, a medical practitioner or an employee
of the Authority; and

9 11. Any other basis indicating a violation of the applicable10 laws and regulations as identified by the Authority.

F. Disciplinary actions against a licensee may include the imposition of monetary penalties, which may be assessed by the Authority. The Authority may suspend or revoke a license for failure to pay any monetary penalty lawfully assessed by the Authority against a licensee.

G. 1. In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, 16 penalties for sales, purchases or transfers for value of medical 17 marijuana by a medical marijuana business or employees or agents of 18 the medical marijuana business to persons other than those allowed 19 by law occurring within any one-year time period may include an 20 initial fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for a first 21 violation and a fine of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for 22 any subsequent violation. 23

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1 2. Penalties for grossly inaccurate or fraudulent reporting occurring within any two-year time period may include an initial 2 administrative fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for a first 3 violation and an administrative fine of Ten Thousand Dollars 4 5 (\$10,000.00) for any subsequent violation. The medical marijuana business shall be subject to a revocation of any license granted 6 pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection 7 Act upon a second incident of grossly inaccurate or fraudulent 8 9 reporting in a ten-year period by the medical marijuana business or 10 any employee or agent thereof.

3. After investigation by the Authority, the Authority may
 revoke the license of any person directly involved with the
 diversion of marijuana.

If the Authority, after investigation, is able to establish, 4. 14 by a preponderance of evidence, a pattern of diversion or negligence 15 leading to diversion, the Authority may revoke any business licenses 16 17 associated with the diversion and any entity with common ownership. In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, a 18 Η. 1. first offense for intentional and impermissible diversion of medical 19 marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate, or medical marijuana 20 products for value by a patient or caregiver to an unauthorized 21 person shall be subject to an administrative fine of Four Hundred 22 Dollars (\$400.00). The Authority shall have the authority to 23 enforce the provisions of this subsection. 24

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2. In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, an additional incident resulting in a second offense for impermissible diversion of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate, or medical marijuana products by a patient or caregiver to an unauthorized person for value shall be subject to an administrative fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), and shall result in revocation of the license or licenses of the person.

3. Any person who shares less than three (3) grams of medical
marijuana with an unauthorized person, without the transfer being
for value or other consideration, shall not be subject to criminal
prosecution but shall be subject to an administrative fine of Four
Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).

Ι. The intentional diversion of medical marijuana, medical 13 marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products by a licensed 14 medical marijuana patient or caregiver, medical marijuana business 15 or employee of a medical marijuana business to an unauthorized minor 16 person who the licensed medical marijuana patient or caregiver, 17 medical marijuana business or employee of a medical marijuana 18 business knew or reasonably should have known to be a minor person 19 shall be subject to an administrative fine of Two Thousand Five 20 Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00). For an additional incident resulting 21 in a second or subsequent offense, the licensed medical marijuana 22 patient or caregiver, medical marijuana business or employee of a 23 medical marijuana business shall be subject to a cite and release 24

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1 citation and, upon a finding of guilt or a plea of no contest, a
2 fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) and automatic revocation
3 of the medical marijuana license.

In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, it 4 J. 5 shall be unlawful for a licensed medical marijuana commercial grower to knowingly hire or employ undocumented immigrants to perform work 6 inside a medical marijuana commercial grow facility or anywhere on 7 the property of the medical marijuana commercial grow operation. A 8 9 licensed medical marijuana commercial grower that violates the provisions of this subsection shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a 10 misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for a term 11 12 not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment. 13 In addition, the license of the medical marijuana commercial grower 14 shall be subject to revocation and the Authority may deny future 15 license applications. 16

1. Beginning September 1, 2021, the Oklahoma Medical 17 Κ. Marijuana Authority shall schedule on-site meetings and compliance 18 inspections of the premises with the medical marijuana dispensary 19 licensee at the location of the medical marijuana dispensary, the 20 medical marijuana commercial grower at the location of the medical 21 marijuana commercial grower site and the medical marijuana processor 22 at the location of the medical marijuana processing site. The on-23 site meetings and compliance inspections shall occur within the 24

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1	first one hundred eighty (180) days after issuance of the medical
2	marijuana dispensary license, commercial grower license or processor
3	license and shall be conducted for purposes of verifying whether the
4	medical marijuana business licensee is actively operating or is
5	working towards operational status.
6	2. If, at the time of the on-site meeting and compliance
7	inspection, the medical marijuana business licensee fails to provide
8	proof to the Authority that the medical marijuana business is
9	actively operating or working towards operational status, the
10	Authority shall grant the medical marijuana business licensee a
11	grace period of one hundred eighty (180) days to become operational.
12	Upon expiration of this grace period, the Authority shall schedule a
13	second on-site meeting and compliance inspection of the premises to
14	verify whether the medical marijuana business licensee has begun
15	operations at the licensed premises or is continuing to work towards
16	operational status.
17	3. If, after the second on-site meeting and compliance
18	inspection, the medical marijuana business licensee fails to provide
19	proof to the Authority that the medical marijuana business licensee
20	is actively operating or is continuing to work towards operational
21	status, the Authority shall be authorized to grant the medical
22	marijuana business licensee an additional grace period of one
23	hundred eighty (180) days to become operational.

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<u>4. Upon expiration of the second grace period, the Authority</u>
 <u>shall terminate the medical marijuana business license if the</u>
 <u>medical marijuana business licensee has failed to provide proof to</u>
 <u>the Authority that the medical marijuana business is actively</u>
 conducting business operations at the licensed premises.

In addition to any other remedies provided for by law, the 6 L. Authority, pursuant to its rules and regulations promulgated by the 7 Executive Director, may issue a written order to any licensee the 8 9 Authority has reason to believe has violated Sections 420 through 426.1 of this title, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 10 Protection Act, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Waste Management Act, 11 12 or any rules promulgated by the State Commissioner of Health Executive Director and to whom the Authority has served, not less 13 than thirty (30) days previously, a written notice of violation of 14 such statutes or rules. 15

The written order shall state with specificity the nature of
 the violation. The Authority may impose any disciplinary action
 authorized under the provisions of this section including, but not
 limited to, the assessment of monetary penalties.

20 2. Any order issued pursuant to the provisions of this section 21 shall become a final order unless, not more than thirty (30) days 22 after the order is served to the licensee, the licensee requests an 23 administrative hearing in accordance with the rules and regulations 24 promulgated by the Executive Director of the Authority. Upon such

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request, the Authority shall promptly initiate administrative
 proceedings.

L. M. Whenever the Executive Director of the Authority finds 3 that an emergency exists requiring immediate action in order to 4 5 protect the health or welfare of the public, the Executive Director of the Authority may issue an order, without providing notice or 6 hearing, stating the existence of said an emergency and requiring 7 that action be taken as the Executive Director of the Authority 8 9 deems necessary to meet the emergency. Such action may include, but is not limited to, ordering the licensee to immediately cease and 10 desist operations by the licensee. The order shall be effective 11 12 immediately upon issuance. Any person to whom the order is directed 13 shall comply immediately with the provisions of the order. The Authority may assess a penalty not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars 14 (\$10,000.00) per day of noncompliance with the order. In assessing 15 such a penalty, the Authority shall consider the seriousness of the 16 violation and any efforts to comply with applicable requirements. 17 Upon application to the Authority, the licensee shall be offered a 18 hearing within ten (10) days of the issuance of the order. 19

20 M. N. All hearings held pursuant to this section shall be in
 21 accordance with the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act.

22 SECTION 23. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.6, as 23 amended by Section 2, Chapter 482, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 24 Section 427.6), is hereby repealed.

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SECTION 24. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.6, as
 last amended by Section 10, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp.
 2023, Section 427.6), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.13, as
last amended by Section 14, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp.
2023, Section 427.13), is amended to read as follows:

7 Section 427.13. A. All medical marijuana and medical marijuana 8 products shall be purchased solely from a state-licensed medical 9 marijuana business, and shall not be purchased from any out-of-state 10 providers.

The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall have 11 B. 1. 12 oversight and auditing responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana 13 being grown in this state is accounted for and shall implement an inventory tracking system. Pursuant to these duties, the Authority 14 shall require that each medical marijuana business, medical 15 marijuana research facility, medical marijuana education facility 16 17 and medical marijuana waste disposal facility keep records for every transaction with another medical marijuana business, patient or 18 caregiver. Inventory shall be tracked and updated after each 19 individual sale and reported to the Authority. 20

21 2. The inventory tracking system licensees use shall allow for 22 integration of other seed-to-sale systems and, at a minimum, shall 23 include the following:

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- 1 notification of when marijuana seeds and clones are a. 2 planted, notification of when marijuana plants are harvested 3 b. and destroyed, 4 5 с. notification of when marijuana is transported, sold, stolen, diverted or lost, 6 d. a complete inventory of all marijuana, seeds, plant 7 tissue, clones, plants, usable marijuana or trim, 8 9 leaves and other plant matter, batches of extract, and marijuana concentrates, 10 all samples sent to a testing laboratory, an unused 11 e. 12 portion of a sample returned to a licensee, all samples utilized by licensee for purposes of 13 negotiating a sale, and 14 all samples used for quality testing by a licensee. f. 15 3. Each medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research 16 facility, medical marijuana education facility and medical marijuana 17 waste disposal facility shall develop written standard operating 18 procedures outlining the manner in which it operates as prescribed 19 by the Authority and shall use a seed-to-sale tracking system or 20 integrate its own seed-to-sale tracking system with the seed-to-sale 21 tracking system established by the Authority in accordance with the 22 limitations set forth herein. 23
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4. These records shall include, but not be limited to, the
 following:

3	a.	the name and license number of the medical marijuana
4		business that cultivated, manufactured or sold the
5		medical marijuana or medical marijuana product,
6	b.	the address and phone number of the medical marijuana
7		business that cultivated, manufactured or sold the
8		medical marijuana or medical marijuana product,
9	С.	the type of product received during the transaction,
10	d.	the batch number of the marijuana plant used,
11	e.	the date of the transaction,
12	f.	the total spent in dollars,
13	g.	all point-of-sale records,
14	h.	marijuana excise tax records, and
15	i.	any additional information as may be reasonably
16		required by the Executive Director of the Oklahoma
17		Medical Marijuana Authority.
18	5. All i	nventory tracking records retained by a medical
19	marijuana bus	iness, medical marijuana research facility, medical
20	marijuana edu	cation facility or medical marijuana waste disposal
21	facility cont	aining medical marijuana patient or caregiver
22	information s	hall comply with all relevant state and federal laws
23	including, bu	t not limited to, the Health Insurance Portability and
24	Accountabilit	y Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

1	SECTION 26. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.13, as				
2	amended by Section 7, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,				
3	Section 427.13), is hereby repealed.				
4	SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as				
5	last amended by Section 7, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp.				
6	2023, Section 427.14), is amended to read as follows:				
7	Section 427.14. A. There is hereby created the medical				
8	marijuana business license, which shall include the following				
9	categories:				
10	1. Medical marijuana commercial grower;				
11	2. Medical marijuana processor;				
12	3. Medical marijuana dispensary;				
13	4. Medical marijuana transporter; and				
14	5. Medical marijuana testing laboratory.				
15	B. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority, with the aid of				
16	the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, shall develop a				
17	website for medical marijuana business applications.				
18	C. The Authority shall make available on its website in an				
19	easy-to-find location, applications for a medical marijuana				
20	business.				
21	D. 1. The annual, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana				
22	transporter license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars				
23	(\$2,500.00).				
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1 2. The initial, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana commercial grower license shall be calculated based upon the total 2 amount of square feet of canopy or acres the grower estimates will 3 be harvested, transferred, or sold for the year. The annual, 4 5 nonrefundable license fee shall be based upon the total amount of square feet of canopy or acres harvested, transferred, or sold by 6 the grower during the previous twelve (12) months. The amount of 7 the fees shall be determined as follows: 8 9 a. For an indoor, greenhouse, or light deprivation medical marijuana grow facility: 10 Tier 1: Up to ten thousand (10,000) square feet 11 (1)12 of canopy, the fee shall be Two Thousand Five 13 Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00), Tier 2: Ten thousand one (10,001) square feet of (2)14 canopy to twenty thousand (20,000) square feet of 15 canopy, the fee shall be Five Thousand Dollars 16 (\$5,000.00), 17 Tier 3: Twenty thousand one (20,001) square feet (3) 18 of canopy to forty thousand (40,000) square feet 19 of canopy, the fee shall be Ten Thousand Dollars 20 (\$10,000.00),21 Tier 4: Forty thousand one (40,001) square feet (4) 22 of canopy to sixty thousand (60,000) square feet 23 24

1		of canopy, the fee shall be Twenty Thousand
2		Dollars (\$20,000.00),
3	(5)	Tier 5: Sixty thousand one (60,001) square feet
4		of canopy to eighty thousand (80,000) square feet
5		of canopy, the fee shall be Thirty Thousand
6		Dollars (\$30,000.00),
7	(6)	Tier 6: Eighty thousand one (80,001) square feet
8		of canopy to ninety-nine thousand nine hundred
9		ninety-nine (99,999) square feet of canopy, the
10		fee shall be Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00),
11		and
12	(7)	Tier 7: One hundred thousand (100,000) square
13		feet of canopy and beyond, the fee shall be Fifty
14		Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), plus an additional
15		twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per square foot of
16		canopy over one hundred thousand (100,000) square
17		feet.
18	b. For	an outdoor medical marijuana grow facility:
19	(1)	Tier 1: Less than two and one-half $(2 \ 1/2)$
20		acres, the fee shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred
21		Dollars (\$2,500.00),
22	(2)	Tier 2: More than two and one-half (2 $1/2$) acres
23		up to five (5) acres, the fee shall be Five
24		Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00),

1		(3)	Tier 3: More than five (5) acres up to ten (10)
2			acres, the fee shall be Ten Thousand Dollars
3			(\$10,000.00),
4		(4)	Tier 4: More than ten (10) acres up to twenty
5			(20) acres, the fee shall be Twenty Thousand
6			Dollars (\$20,000.00),
7		(5)	Tier 5: More than twenty (20) acres up to thirty
8			(30) acres, the fee shall be Thirty Thousand
9			Dollars (\$30,000.00),
10		(6)	Tier 6: More than thirty (30) acres up to forty
11			(40) acres, the fee shall be Forty Thousand
12			Dollars (\$40,000.00),
13		(7)	Tier 7: More than forty (40) acres up to fifty
14			(50) acres, the fee shall be Fifty Thousand
15			Dollars (\$50,000.00), and
16		(8)	Tier 8: If the amount of acreage exceeds fifty
17			(50) acres, the fee shall be Fifty Thousand
18			Dollars (\$50,000.00) plus an additional Two
19			Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per acre.
20	с.	For a	a medical marijuana commercial grower that has a
21		comb	ination of both indoor and outdoor growing
22		faci	lities at one location, the medical marijuana
23		comme	ercial grower shall be required to obtain a
24		sepa	rate license from the Authority for each type of

1grow operation and shall be subject to the licensing2fees provided for in subparagraphs a and b of this3paragraph.

d. As used in this paragraph:

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5 (1)"canopy" means the total surface area within a cultivation area that is dedicated to the 6 cultivation of flowering marijuana plants. 7 The surface area of the plant canopy must be 8 9 calculated in square feet and measured and must include all of the area within the boundaries 10 where the cultivation of the flowering marijuana 11 12 plants occurs. If the surface of the plant 13 canopy consists of noncontiguous areas, each component area must be separated by identifiable 14 boundaries. If a tiered or shelving system is 15 used in the cultivation area, the surface area of 16 each tier or shelf must be included in 17 calculating the area of the plant canopy. 18 Calculation of the area of the plant canopy may 19 not include the areas within the cultivation area 20 that are used to cultivate immature marijuana 21 plants and seedlings, prior to flowering, and 22 that are not used at any time to cultivate mature 23 marijuana plants. If the flowering plants are 24

1	vertically grown in cylinders, the square footage
2	of the canopy shall be measured by the
3	circumference of the cylinder multiplied by the
4	total length of the cylinder,

- 5 (2) "greenhouse" means a structure located outdoors 6 that is completely covered by a material that 7 allows a controlled level of light transmission, 8 and
- 9 (3) "light deprivation" means a structure that has
 10 concrete floors and the ability to manipulate
 11 natural light.

3. The initial, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana processor license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00). The annual, nonrefundable license fee for a medical marijuana processor license shall be determined based on the previous twelve (12) months as follows:

17a.Tier 1: The transfer or sale of zero (0) to ten18thousand (10,000) pounds of biomass or the production,19transfer, or sale of up to one hundred (100) liters of20cannabis concentrate, whichever is greater, the annual21fee shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars22(\$2,500.00),

b. Tier 2: The transfer or sale of ten thousand one (10,001) pounds to fifty thousand (50,000) pounds of

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1 biomass or the production, transfer, or sale of one hundred one (101) to three hundred fifty (350) liters 2 of cannabis concentrate, whichever is greater, the 3 annual fee shall be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), 4 5 с. Tier 3: The transfer or sale of fifty thousand one (50,001) pounds to one hundred fifty thousand 6 (150,000) pounds of biomass or the production, 7 transfer, or sale of three hundred fifty-one (351) to 8 9 six hundred fifty (650) liters of cannabis concentrate, whichever is greater, the annual fee 10 shall be Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), 11 Tier 4: The transfer or sale of one hundred fifty 12 d. thousand one (150,001) pounds to three hundred 13 thousand (300,000) pounds of biomass or the 14 production, transfer, or sale of six hundred fifty-one 15 (651) to one thousand (1,000) liters of cannabis 16 concentrate, whichever is greater, the annual fee 17 shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), and 18 Tier 5: The transfer or sale of more than three 19 e. hundred thousand one (300,001) pounds of biomass or 20 the production, transfer, or sale in excess of one 21 thousand one (1,001) liters of cannabis concentrate, 22 the annual fee shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars 23 (\$20,000.00). 24

For purposes of this paragraph only, if the cannabis concentrate is in nonliquid form, every one thousand (1,000) grams of concentrated marijuana shall be calculated as one (1) liter of cannabis concentrate.

5 4. The initial, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana dispensary license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars 6 (\$2,500.00). The annual, nonrefundable license fee for a medical 7 marijuana dispensary license shall be calculated at ten percent 8 9 (10%) of the sum of twelve (12) calendar months of the combined annual state sales tax and state excise tax of the dispensary during 10 the previous twelve (12) months. The minimum fee shall be not less 11 than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) and the maximum 12 13 fee shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

14 5. The annual, nonrefundable license fee for a medical 15 marijuana testing laboratory shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars 16 (\$20,000.00).

E. All applicants seeking licensure or licensure renewal as a medical marijuana business shall comply with the following general requirements:

All applications for licenses and registrations authorized
 pursuant to this section shall be made upon forms prescribed by the
 Authority;

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2. Each application shall identify the city or county in which
 the applicant seeks to obtain licensure as a medical marijuana
 business;

4 3. Applicants shall submit a complete application to the5 Authority before the application may be accepted or considered;

6 4. All applications shall be complete and accurate in every7 detail;

8 5. All applications shall include all attachments or
9 supplemental information required by the forms supplied by the
10 Authority;

6. All applications for a transporter license, initial 11 12 dispensary license, initial processor license, or laboratory license 13 shall be accompanied by a full remittance for the whole amount of the license fee as set forth in subsection D of this section. All 14 submissions of grower applications, renewal processor applications, 15 and renewal dispensary applications shall be accompanied by a 16 remittance of a fee of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars 17 (\$2,500.00). The Authority shall invoice license applicants, if 18 applicable, for any additional licensing fees owed pursuant to 19 subsection D of this section prior to approval of a license 20 application. License fees are nonrefundable; 21

7. All applicants shall be approved for licensing review that,at a minimum, meet the following criteria:

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a. twenty-five (25) years of age or older,

- 1 b. if applying as an individual, proof that the applicant is an Oklahoma resident a resident of this state 2 pursuant to paragraph 11 of this subsection, 3 if applying as an entity, proof that seventy-five 4 с. 5 percent (75%) of all members, managers, executive officers, partners, board members or any other form of 6 business ownership are Oklahoma residents of this 7 state pursuant to paragraph 11 of this subsection, 8 9 d. if applying as an individual or entity, proof that the individual or entity is registered to conduct business 10 in this state, 11 12 e. disclosure of all ownership interests pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, 13 and 14 f. proof that the medical marijuana business, medical 15 marijuana research facility, medical marijuana 16 education facility and medical marijuana waste 17 disposal facility applicant or licensee has not been 18 convicted of a nonviolent felony in the last two (2) 19 years, or any other felony conviction within the last 20 five (5) years, is not a current inmate in the custody 21 of the Department of Corrections, or currently 22
 - incarcerated in a jail or corrections facility.
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Upon reasonable suspicion that a medical marijuana business licensee is illegally growing, processing, transferring, selling, disposing, or diverting marijuana, the Authority, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, or the Attorney General may subpoena documents necessary to establish the personal identifying information of all owners and individuals with any ownership interest in the business;

8. There shall be no limit to the number of medical marijuana 8 9 business licenses or categories that an individual or entity can 10 apply for or receive, although each application and each category shall require a separate application, application fee, or license 11 12 fee. A commercial grower, processor and dispensary, or any combination thereof, are authorized to share the same address or 13 physical location, subject to the restrictions set forth in the 14 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act; 15

9. All applicants for a medical marijuana business license, research facility license or education facility license authorized by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, or for a renewal of such license, shall undergo a national fingerprintbased background check conducted by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) within thirty (30) days prior to the application for the license, including:

a. individual applicants applying on their own behalf,b. individuals applying on behalf of an entity,

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1	c. all principal officers of an entity, and
2	d. all owners of an entity as defined by the Oklahoma
3	Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act;
4	10. All applicable fees charged by the OSBI are the
5	responsibility of the applicant and shall not be higher than fees
6	charged to any other person or industry for such background checks;
7	11. In order to be considered an Oklahoma resident <u>a resident</u>
8	of this state for purposes of a medical marijuana business
9	application, all applicants shall provide proof of Oklahoma state
10	residency for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the date
11	of application or five (5) years of continuous Oklahoma <u>state</u>
12	residency during the preceding twenty-five (25) years immediately
13	preceding the date of application. Sufficient documentation of
14	proof of residency shall include a combination of the following:
15	a. an unexpired Oklahoma-issued state-issued driver
16	license,
17	b. an Oklahoma <u>state-issued</u> identification card,
18	c. a utility bill preceding the date of application,
19	excluding cellular telephone and Internet bills,
20	d. a residential property deed to property in this state,
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	and
22	and e. a rental agreement preceding the date of application
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Applicants that were issued a medical marijuana business license prior to August 30, 2019, are hereby exempt from the two-year or five-year Oklahoma residence requirement mentioned above;

4 12. All license applicants shall be required to submit a
5 registration with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and
6 Dangerous Drugs Control as provided in Sections 2-302 through 2-304
7 of this title;

8 13. All applicants shall establish their identity through
9 submission of a color copy or digital image of one of the following
10 unexpired documents:

front of an Oklahoma state-issued driver license, 11 a. 12 b. front of an Oklahoma state-issued identification card, с. a United States passport or other photo identification 13 issued by the United States government, or 14 d. a tribal identification card approved for 15 identification purposes by the Department of Public 16 Safety; and 17 14. All applicants shall submit an applicant photograph; and 18 15. All applicants for a medical marijuana business license 19 seeking to operate a commercial grow shall file along with their 20 application a bond as prescribed in Section 427.26 of this title. 21 The Authority shall review the medical marijuana business 22 F. application; approve, reject, or deny the application; and send the 23 approval, rejection, denial, or status-update letter to the 24

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applicant in the same method the application was submitted to the
 Authority within ninety (90) business days of receipt of the
 application.

G. 1. The Authority shall review the medical marijuana
business applications, conduct all investigations, inspections, and
interviews, and collect all license and application fees before
approving the application.

2. Approved applicants shall be issued a medical marijuana 8 9 business license for the specific category applied under, which shall act as proof of their approved status. Rejection and denial 10 letters shall provide a reason for the rejection or denial. 11 12 Applications may only be rejected or denied based on the applicant 13 not meeting the standards set forth in the provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and Sections 14 420 through 426.1 of this title, improper completion of the 15 application, unpaid license or application fees, or for a reason 16 provided for in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 17 Protection Act and Sections 420 through 426.1 of this title. If an 18 application is rejected for failure to provide required information, 19 the applicant shall have thirty (30) days to submit the required 20 information for reconsideration. Unless the Authority determines 21 otherwise, an application that has been resubmitted but is still 22 incomplete or contains errors that are not clerical or typographical 23 in nature shall be denied. 24

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3. Status-update letters shall provide a reason for delay in
 either approval, rejection or denial should a situation arise in
 which an application was submitted properly but a delay in
 processing the application occurred.

4. Approval, rejection, denial or status-update letters shall
be sent to the applicant in the same method the application was
submitted to the Authority.

8 H. A license for a medical marijuana business, medical
9 marijuana research facility, medical marijuana education facility or
10 medical marijuana waste disposal facility shall not be issued to or
11 held by:

12 1. A person until all required fees have been paid;

2. A person who has been convicted of a nonviolent felony
 within two (2) years of the date of application, or within five (5)
 years for any other felony;

3. A corporation, if the criminal history of any of its
officers, directors or stockholders indicates that the officer,
director or stockholder has been convicted of a nonviolent felony
within two (2) years of the date of application, or within five (5)
years for any other felony;

21 4. A person under twenty-five (25) years of age;

5. A person licensed pursuant to this section who, during a period of licensure, or who, at the time of application, has failed to:

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- 1 file taxes, interest or penalties due related to a a. 2 medical marijuana business, or pay taxes, interest or penalties due related to a 3 b. medical marijuana business; 4 5 6. A sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer or prosecuting officer, or an officer or employee of the Authority or municipality; 6 7. A person whose authority to be a caregiver, as defined in 7 Section 427.2 of this title, has been revoked by the Authority; or 8 9 8. A person who was involved in the management or operations of any medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research facility, 10 medical marijuana education facility or medical marijuana waste 11 disposal facility that, after the initiation of a disciplinary 12 13 action, has had a medical marijuana license revoked, not renewed, or surrendered during the five (5) years preceding submission of the 14 application and for the following violations: 15 unlawful sales or purchases, 16 а. b. any fraudulent acts, falsification of records or 17 misrepresentation to the Authority, medical marijuana 18 patient licensees, caregiver licensees or medical 19 marijuana business licensees, 20 с. any grossly inaccurate or fraudulent reporting, 21 d. threatening or harming any medical marijuana patient, 22 caregiver, medical practitioner or employee of the 23
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Authority,

1	e. knowingly or intentionally refusing to permit the
2	Authority access to premises or records,
3	f. using a prohibited, hazardous substance for processing
4	in a residential area,
5	g. criminal acts relating to the operation of a medical
6	marijuana business, or
7	h. any violations that endanger public health and safety
8	or product safety.
9	I. In investigating the qualifications of an applicant or a
10	licensee, the Authority and municipalities may have access to
11	criminal history record information furnished by a criminal justice
12	agency subject to any restrictions imposed by such an agency.
13	J. The failure of an applicant or licensee to provide the
14	requested information by the Authority deadline may be grounds for
15	denial of the application.
16	K. All applicants and licensees shall submit information to the
17	Authority in a full, faithful, truthful and fair manner. The
18	Authority may recommend denial of an application where the applicant

19 or licensee made misstatements, omissions, misrepresentations or 20 untruths in the application or in connection with the background 21 investigation of the applicant. This type of conduct may be grounds 22 for administrative action against the applicant or licensee. Typos 23 and scrivener errors shall not be grounds for denial.

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L. A licensed medical marijuana business premises shall be subject to and responsible for compliance with applicable provisions consistent with the zoning where such business is located as described in the most recent versions of the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code, the International Building Code and the International Fire Code, unless granted an exemption by a municipality or appropriate code enforcement entity.

8 M. All medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research 9 facility, medical marijuana education facility and medical marijuana 10 waste disposal facility licensees shall pay the relevant licensure 11 fees prior to receiving licensure to operate.

12 N. A medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research facility, medical marijuana education facility or medical marijuana 13 waste disposal facility that attempts to renew its license after the 14 expiration date of the license shall pay a late renewal fee in an 15 amount to be determined by the Executive Director of the Authority 16 to reinstate the license. Late renewal fees are nonrefundable. A 17 license that has been expired for more than ninety (90) days shall 18 not be renewed. 19

0. No medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research
facility, medical marijuana education facility or medical marijuana
waste disposal facility shall possess, sell or transfer medical
marijuana or medical marijuana products without a valid, unexpired
license issued by the Authority.

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P. No more than one medical marijuana commercial grower license
 shall be issued for any one property.

An original medical marijuana business license issued on or 3 Q. 4 after June 26, 2018, by the Authority, for a medical marijuana 5 commercial grower, a medical marijuana processor or a medical marijuana dispensary shall be deemed to have been grandfathered into 6 7 the location on the date the original license was first issued for purposes of determining the authority of the business to conduct and 8 9 continue the same type of business at that location under a license issued by the Authority, except as may be provided in Sections 425 10 and 426.1 of this title. Any change in ownership after the original 11 12 medical marijuana business license has been issued by the Authority 13 shall be construed by the Authority to be a continuation of the same type of business originally licensed at that location. Nothing 14 shall authorize the Authority to deny issuance or renewal of a 15 license or transfer of license due to a change in ownership for the 16 17 same business location previously licensed, except when a revocation is otherwise authorized by law or a protest is made under the 18 municipal compliance provisions of Section 426.1 of this title. 19 R. A medical marijuana business license holder shall require 20 all individuals employed under their license to be issued a 21 credential pursuant to the provisions of Section 427.14b of this 22 title prior to employment. 23

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<u>S.</u> The Executive Director of the Authority may promulgate rules
 to implement the provisions of this section including, but not
 limited to, required application materials to be submitted by the
 applicant and utilized by the Authority to determine medical
 marijuana business licensing fees pursuant to this section.

6 SECTION 28. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as
7 amended by Section 8, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,
8 Section 427.14), is hereby repealed.

9 SECTION 29. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as
10 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp.
11 2023, Section 427.14), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 30. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 41, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 427.14), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 31. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 430, as last amended by Section 11, Chapter 168, O.S.L. 2023 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 430), is amended to read as follows:

Section 430. A. There is hereby created and authorized a medical marijuana waste disposal license. A person or entity in possession of a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall be entitled to possess, transport and dispose of medical marijuana waste. No person or entity shall dispose of medical marijuana waste without a valid medical marijuana waste disposal license. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall issue licenses upon

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1 proper application by a licensee and determination by the Authority 2 that the proposed site and facility are physically and technically suitable. Upon a finding that a proposed medical marijuana waste 3 disposal facility is not physically or technically suitable, the 4 5 Authority shall deny the license. The Authority may, upon determining that public health or safety requires emergency action, 6 issue a temporary license for treatment or storage of medical 7 marijuana waste for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days. 8 The 9 Authority shall not, for the first year of the licensure program 10 until November 1, 2021, issue more than ten medical marijuana waste disposal licenses. Upon the conclusion of the first year, the 11 12 Authority shall assess the need for additional medical marijuana waste disposal licenses and shall, if demonstrated, increase 13 Beginning November 1, 2021, there shall be no limit to the number of 14 medical marijuana waste disposal licenses as deemed necessary issued 15 by the Authority. 16

B. Entities applying for a medical marijuana waste disposal
license shall undergo the following screening process:

Complete an application form, as prescribed by the
 Authority, which shall include:

a. an attestation that the applicant is authorized to
make application on behalf of the entity,

23 b. full name of the organization,

24 c. trade name, if applicable,

1	d.	type of business organization,
2	e.	complete mailing address,
3	f.	an attestation that the commercial entity will not be
4		located on tribal land,
5	g.	telephone number and email address of the entity, and
6	h.	name, residential address and date of birth of each
7		owner and each member, manager and board member, if
8		applicable;
9	2. The a	pplication for a medical marijuana waste disposal
10	license made 1	by an individual on his or her own behalf shall be on
11	the form pres	cribed by the Authority and shall include, but not be
12	limited to:	
13	a.	the first, middle and last name of the applicant and
14		suffix, if applicable,
15	b.	the residence address and mailing address of the
16		applicant,
17	с.	the date of birth of the applicant,
18	d.	the preferred telephone number and email address of
19		the applicant,
20	e.	an attestation that the information provided by the
21		applicant is true and correct, and
22	f.	a statement signed by the applicant pledging not to
23		divert marijuana to any individual or entity that is
24		not lawfully entitled to possess marijuana; and
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3. Each application shall be accompanied by the following
 documentation:

3	a.	a list of all persons or entities that have an
4		ownership interest in the entity,
5	b.	a certificate of good standing from the Secretary of
6		State, if applicable,
7	с.	an Affidavit of Lawful Presence for each owner,
8	d.	proof that the proposed location of the disposal
9		facility is at least one thousand (1,000) feet from a
10		school. The distance indicated in this subparagraph
11		shall be measured from the nearest property line of
12		such school to the nearest perimeter wall of the
13		premises of such disposal facility. If any school is
14		established within one thousand (1,000) feet of any
15		disposal facility after such disposal facility has
16		been licensed, the provisions of this subparagraph
17		shall not be a deterrent to the renewal of such
18		license or warrant revocation of the license. For the
19		purposes of this section, "school" shall mean the same
20		as provided in Section 427.2 of this title, and
21	e.	documents establishing the applicant, the members,
22		managers and board members, if applicable, and
23		seventy-five percent (75%) of the ownership interests
24		are Oklahoma residents <u>of this state</u> as established in

Section 420 et seq. of this title, as it relates to
 proof of <u>state</u> residency.

For purposes of this paragraph, "school" means the same as defined in Section 427.2 of this title.

5 C. No license shall be issued except upon proof of sufficient liability insurance and financial responsibility. Liability 6 insurance shall be provided by the applicant and shall apply to 7 sudden and nonsudden bodily injury or property damage on, below or 8 9 above the surface, as required by the rules of the Authority promulgated by the Executive Director. Such insurance shall be 10 maintained for the period of operation of the facility and shall 11 12 provide coverage for damages resulting from operation of the 13 facility during operation and after closing.

Submission of an application for a medical marijuana waste 14 D. disposal license shall constitute permission for entry to and 15 inspection of the facility of the licensee during hours of operation 16 and other reasonable times. Refusal to permit such entry of 17 inspection shall constitute grounds for the nonrenewal, suspension 18 or revocation of a license. The Authority, the Oklahoma State 19 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State 20 Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General may perform an 21 annual unannounced, on-site inspection of the operations and any 22 facility of the licensee. If the Authority receives a complaint 23 concerning noncompliance by a licensee with the provisions of the 24

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1 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Waste Management Act, the Authority, the 2 Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General may 3 conduct additional unannounced, on-site inspections beyond the 4 5 inspections provided for in Section 427.6 of this title. The Authority may refer all complaints alleging criminal activity that 6 are made against a licensed facility to appropriate state or local 7 law enforcement authorities. 8

9 Ε. The Authority shall issue an annual permit for each medical 10 marijuana waste disposal facility operated by a licensee. A permit shall be issued only upon proper application by a licensee and 11 12 determination by the Authority that the proposed site and facility are physically and technically suitable. Upon a finding that a 13 proposed medical marijuana waste disposal facility is not physically 14 or technically suitable, the Authority shall deny the permit. 15 The Authority shall have the authority to revoke a permit upon a finding 16 that the site and facility are not physically and technically 17 suitable for processing. The Authority may, upon determining that 18 public health or safety requires emergency action, issue a temporary 19 permit for treatment or storage of medical marijuana waste for a 20 period not to exceed ninety (90) days. 21

F. The cost of a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the initial license. The cost of a medical marijuana waste disposal facility permit shall be

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Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). A medical marijuana waste disposal facility permit that has been revoked shall be reinstated upon remittance of a reinstatement fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to restore the facility permit. All license and permit fees shall be deposited into the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority Revolving Fund as provided in Section 427.5 of this title.

G. The holder of a medical marijuana waste disposal license
shall not be required to obtain a medical marijuana transporter
license provided for in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient
Protection Act for purposes of transporting medical marijuana waste.

H. All commercial licensees, as defined in Section 428.1 of this title, shall utilize a licensed medical marijuana waste disposal service to process all medical marijuana waste generated by the licensee.

I. The State Commissioner of Health Executive Director of the <u>Authority</u> shall promulgate rules for the implementation of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Waste Management Act. Promulgated rules shall address disposal process standards, site security and any other subject matter deemed necessary by the <u>Authority Executive</u> Director.

21 SECTION 32. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 430, as 22 amended by Section 12, Chapter 584, O.S.L. 2021 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023, 23 Section 430), is hereby repealed.

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1	SECTION 33. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2021, Section 430, as last
2	amended by Section 24, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2023,
3	Section 430), is hereby repealed.
4	SECTION 34. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
5	of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
6	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
7	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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