## **SENATE CHAMBER**

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

FLOOR AMENDMENT	No.	
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT		
I move to amend Engrossed House I for the title, enacting clause and entited		(Date) the attached floor substitute (Request #2152) asure.
		Submitted by: Senator Garvin
I hereby grant permission for the flo	oor substitute to be	adopted.
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Senator Haste		Senator Weaver
Senator Jett		Senator Young
Senator Treat, President Pro Tempo	re	Senator McCortney, Majority Floor Leader
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FLOOR SUBSTITUTE FOR ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1734

By: Townley, Pittman, and Roe

of the House

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Garvin of the Senate

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## FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to medical marijuana; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.10, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.10), which relates to physicians who may provide a recommendation; directing creation of certain registry; requiring registration by physicians; requiring compliance with medical education and continuing medical education requirements; authorizing the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority to provide for certain conferences, meetings, or training sessions; directing promulgation of certain rules in consultation with specified boards; amending Section 3, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.14b), which relates to credentials required for employees to work in licensed medical marijuana business; requiring dispensary employees to comply with education and continuing education requirements; expanding promulgation of certain rules by the Executive Director; directing promulgation of rules to impose limits on tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) potency of medical marijuana and medical marijuana products; setting certain limits on potency; prohibiting licensed medical marijuana dispensary from selling medical marijuana or medical marijuana product that exceeds potency limits; providing exception of limits; prohibiting the sale of certain products for certain patients; requiring warning signage to be displayed in dispensaries for the use of THC products while pregnant; requiring owners of

any place where THC is sold to pay for the signage at their own expense; requiring the Authority to promulgate rules for distribution of educational materials for patients by dispensaries; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.21, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.21), which relates to advertising; prohibiting certain types of events to be hosted or advertised; providing for the promulgation of rules for certain events; updating statutory language; updating statutory reference; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

- SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.10, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.10), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 427.10. A. Only licensed Oklahoma allopathic,

  osteopathic and podiatric physicians may provide a medical marijuana

  recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license under the

  Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act.
  - B. A physician who has not completed his or her first residency shall not meet the definition of "physician" under this section and any recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license shall not be processed by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority.
  - C. No physician shall be subject to arrest, prosecution or penalty in any manner or denied any right or privilege under state, municipal or county statute, ordinance or resolution, including without limitation a civil penalty or disciplinary action by the

State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners, the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or by any other business, occupation or professional licensing board or bureau, solely for providing a medical marijuana recommendation for a patient or for monitoring, treating or prescribing scheduled medication to patients who are medical marijuana licensees. provisions of this subsection shall not prevent the relevant professional licensing boards from sanctioning a physician for failing to properly evaluate the medical condition of a patient or for otherwise violating the applicable physician-patient standard of care.

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

- E. If the physician determines the continued use of medical marijuana by the patient no longer meets the requirements set forth in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, the physician shall notify the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority and the license shall be immediately voided without right to an individual proceeding.
- F. The Authority shall create and maintain a registry of recommending physicians. Beginning January 1, 2025, to be eligible to provide a medical marijuana recommendation to a licensed patient, a physician shall be registered with the Authority.

G. To be registered with the Authority, a physician shall comply with the medical education and continuing medical education requirements described in subsection I of this section and shall meet all other requirements established by law or rule for recommending physicians.

H. The Authority is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of food, lodging, and other authorized expenses as may be necessary to host, conduct, sponsor, or participate in conferences, meetings, or training sessions. The Authority may establish accounts as necessary for the collection and distribution of funds, including funds of sponsors and registration fees, related to such conferences, meetings, and training sessions.

Any expenses incurred may be paid directly to the contacting agency or business establishment.

I. The Executive Director of the Authority shall promulgate rules to establish medical education and continuing medical education requirements for recommending physicians. In promulgating such rules, the Executive Director shall consult with the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners, and the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners, and the Executive Director may consult with associations representing licensees of such boards.

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1 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 328, O.S.L.
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- 2 | 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.14b), is amended to read as follows:
- 4 Section 427.14b. A. <u>1.</u> Beginning January 1, 2024, the
- 5 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall require employees of a
- 6 | medical marijuana business licensee to apply for and receive a
- 7 | credential authorizing the employee to work in a licensed medical
- 8 marijuana business.
- 9 2. Beginning January 1, 2025, to be eligible for such
- 10 | credential, employees of medical marijuana dispensaries shall comply
- 11 | with the education and continuing education requirements described
- 12 in subsection G of this section and shall meet all other
- 13 requirements established by law or rule for employees of a medical
- 14 | marijuana business licensee.
- B. The Authority may contract with one or more third-party
- 16 vendors to provide the credentialing services necessary to carry out
- 17 | the provisions of this section.

- 18 C. The Authority shall determine the services to be provided by
- 19 such third-party vendor and shall establish costs and prices. If
- 20 contracted for credentialing services, a third-party vendor shall on
- 21 behalf of the Authority conduct the background checks and verify
- 22 eligibility and suitability for any employees of a medical marijuana
- 23 business license holder to obtain a credential.

- D. Upon successful completion by the third-party vendor of the statutorily required background checks and verification of eligibility and suitability for an employee, the third-party vendor shall issue a credential to the employee. The results of background checks and verifications shall be provided to the Authority by the third-party vendor.
- E. If the third-party vendor determines that an employee of a medical marijuana business holder does not meet the minimum statutory requirements for a credential, the applicant or employee shall have no recourse against the third-party vendor but may appeal such adverse determination to the Authority.
- F. The third-party vendor shall not be civilly liable to an applicant, licensee, or employee of a licensee for any acts taken in good-faith compliance with the provisions of Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and the rules promulgated by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority.
- G.  $\underline{1}$ . The Executive Director of the Authority may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.
- 2. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to, education and continuing education requirements for employees of medical marijuana dispensaries.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 427.18a of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

- A. The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana

  Authority shall promulgate rules to limit the tetrahydrocannabinol

  (THC) serving size of edible medical marijuana products sold in

  medical marijuana dispensaries. The serving sizes imposed by such

  rules shall be at the discretion of the Executive Director;

  provided, that the limits do not exceed:
- One thousand milligrams (1,000 mg) of delta-9
   tetrahydrocannabinol per package for edible medical marijuana
   products;
- 2. Five milligrams (5 mg) of delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol or any other tetrahydrocannabinol isomer or analogue that occurs naturally in cannabis per package for edible medical marijuana products; and
- 3. An action level of 5 parts per million (0.0005%) of any tetrahydrocannabinol isomer, tetrahydrocannabinol analogue, or any other cannabinoid that does not occur naturally in cannabis per package for edible medical marijuana products. A list of such compounds may be established at the discretion of the Executive Director.
- B. A licensed medical marijuana dispensary shall not sell any edible medical marijuana product that exceeds the THC per-package

limits imposed in this section. For the purposes of this section,

"fully extracted cannabis oil" or "Rick Simpson oil" used for

qualifying conditions as established by the Executive Director shall

not be considered an edible medical marijuana product and shall not

be limited by the provisions of this section.

- C. For medical marijuana patients eighteen (18) years of age or younger, the Executive Director may impose further limits on THC per serving in edible medical marijuana products. No dispensaries shall be allowed to sell any medical marijuana product for the use of vaping to any medical marijuana patient eighteen (18) years of age or younger.
- D. 1. Every licensed medical marijuana dispensary or any place medical marijuana or THC products are sold shall display at all times a printed sign with a minimum height of eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches and a minimum width of eleven (11) inches, with large visible font and posted near the cash register or place of checkout and at least two other highly visible places in the store. The sign shall display the pharmacological impacts of ingesting THC products including, but not limited to, adverse developmental effects to an unborn child during pregnancy, the psychological effects on patients under twenty-five (25) years of age, and any other impacts pertaining to usage and consumption deemed necessary by the Authority to be displayed as provided in subsection E of this section.

- 2. The signage shall be produced at the expense of the owner.
- E. The Executive Director shall establish rules that require dispensaries to provide educational efforts to patients regarding potency, dosing, and pharmacological impacts pertaining to usage and consumption of medical marijuana and medical marijuana products.
- SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.21, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.21), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 427.21. A. A medical marijuana business shall not engage in advertising that is deceptive, false or misleading.
- B. Medical marijuana advertising shall not contain any statement or illustration that:
  - 1. Promotes overconsumption;
- 2. Represents that the use of marijuana has curative or therapeutic effects; or
- 3. Depicts a child or other person under legal age to consume marijuana, or includes:
  - a. objects such as toys or cartoon or other characters,
    which suggest the presence of a child, or any other
    depiction designed in any manner to be especially
    appealing to children or other persons under legal age
    to consume marijuana, or

- any manner or design that would be especially appealing to children or other persons under eighteen
   (18) years of age.
- C. Upon the effective date of this act Beginning on November 1, 2022, all medical marijuana commercial grower licensees shall be required to post signage at the site of the commercial grow operation. Signage shall be located at the perimeter of the property with dimensions measuring no less than eighteen (18) inches by twenty-four (24) inches with a font size of no less than two (2) inches. Information required to be displayed on the sign shall be in black standardized font on a white background. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall promulgate rules as necessary regarding the size, placement, issuance and specifications of the required signage. The following information shall be included on the required signage:
  - 1. Business name;

- 2. Physical address of the licensed business;
- 3. Phone number of the licensed business; and
- 4. Medical marijuana business license number.

The required signage shall also comply with county regulations and local ordinances related to the real property where the commercial grow operation is located. Failure to erect the proper signage within sixty (60) days after the renewal of each application for a medical marijuana commercial grower license in accordance with

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the provisions of this subsection shall result in the immediate
revocation of the medical marijuana commercial grower license. Upon
issuance of a temporary license, all medical marijuana commercial
grower licensees shall be required to comply with the provisions of
this subsection prior to the prelicensure inspection conducted by
the Authority.
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- D. 1. It shall be unlawful to host or advertise medical marijuana-related events requiring admission fees or open to the general public, other than for the purposes of providing education to a physician or medical marijuana business licensee, and as permitted by the appropriate licensing board. The Authority shall promulgate rules to issue or deny permits for events not hosted by the Authority and events unrelated to education of providers or licensed businesses. This shall not apply to educational events occurring on-site at a licensed dispensary.
- 2. After the effective date of this act, the Authority may allow for licensed medical marijuana businesses to sell and distribute samples at Authority-permitted events in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.
- SECTION 5. This act shall become effective January 1, 2024.

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