OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 23, 2023

Mr. President:

Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

SB813

By: Garvin of the Senate and Marti of the House

Medical marijuana; authorizing the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority to operate a Title: quality assurance laboratory. Emergency.

together with Engrossed House Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations:

- That the House recede from all Amendments. 1.
- 2. That the attached Conference Committee Substitute (Request #2212) be adopted.

SENATE CONFEREES Garvin Weaver Newhouse Coleman

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Respectfully submitted,

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HOUSE CONFEREES:

Conference Committee on Alcohol, Tobacco and Controlled Substances

Date

1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)
3	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR ENGROSSED
4	SENATE BILL NO. 813 By: Garvin of the Senate
5	and
6	Marti of the House
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8	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
9	An Act relating to medical marijuana; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Sections 421, 422, and 423, as last
10	amended by Sections 1, 2, and 3, Chapter 332, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Sections 421, 422, and
11	423), which relate to licensing requirements for medical marijuana dispensaries, commercial growers,
12	and processors; modifying method of application submission; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as
13	last amended by Section 2 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st Session of the 59th Oklahoma
14	Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.3), which relates to Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority
15	duties and functions; allowing for the purchase of motor vehicles; authorizing the Oklahoma Medical
16	Marijuana Authority to create a petty cash fund for certain purpose; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section
17	427.4, as amended by Section 3 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st Session of the 59th Oklahoma
18	Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.4), which relates to the Executive Director; updating
19	language; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as last amended by Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No.
20	2095 of the 1st Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.14),
21	which relates to the medical marijuana business license; modifying calculation for type of indoor and
22	outdoor growing operation; requiring remittance of certain fees prior to licensing approval; modifying
23	method of application submission; removing provision for fees for reconsideration; providing for
24	promulgation of rules for required application

1 materials to the Authority prior to determination for business licensing fees; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Sections 427.16, as last amended by Section 7 of 2 Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature, and 427.17, as last 3 amended by Section 8 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature 4 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Sections 427.16 and 427.17), 5 which relate to medical marijuana transport and testing laboratory licenses; providing contract condition; allowing testing by Oklahoma Medical 6 Marijuana Authority assurance laboratory; authorizing the Authority to operate a quality assurance 7 laboratory; allowing the Authority to use quality assurance laboratory for certain purposes; permitting 8 the Authority to enter into certain agreements and 9 contracts; allowing the transfer and transport of certain products; requiring the Authority to submit certain report; providing for promulgation of rules; 10 clarifying language; amending Section 1, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.25), 11 which relates to secret shoppers; allowing for use of certain fund; allowing for secret shoppers to perform 12 certain duties; modifying laboratory testing; exempting licensing requirements for secret shoppers; 13 updating statutory language and reference; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and 14 declaring an emergency. 15 16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 17 63 O.S. 2021, Section 421, as last 18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY amended by Section 1, Chapter 332, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 19 20 Section 421), is amended to read as follows: Section 421. Α. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall 21 make available on its website in an easy-to-find location an 22 application for a medical marijuana dispensary license. 23 The application fee to be paid by the applicant shall be in the amounts 24

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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 and must be registered to do business in Oklahoma. The Authority shall have ninety (90) business days to review the 6 application; approve, reject, or deny the application; and mail send 7 the approval, rejection, or denial letter stating reasons for the 8 9 rejection or denial to the applicant in the same method the 10 application was submitted to the Authority. 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 the State of Oklahoma this state; 16 3. All applying entities must show that all members, managers, 17 and board members are Oklahoma residents; 18 4. An applying entity may show ownership of non-Oklahoma 19 residents, but that percentage ownership may not exceed twenty-five 20 percent (25%); 21 5. All applying individuals or entities must be registered to 22 conduct business in the State of Oklahoma this state; and 23 24

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 the effective date of this act November 1, 2021, licensed medical marijuana dispensaries shall be authorized to package and sell prerolled 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

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1 marijuana concentrates or derivatives. The total net weight of each 2 pre-roll packaged and sold by a medical marijuana dispensary shall 3 not exceed one (1) gram. These products shall be tested, packaged 4 and labeled in accordance with Oklahoma law and rules promulgated by 5 the 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 for the packaging of medical 14 marijuana for retail sale. Provided, further, such prohibition 15 shall not prevent a medical marijuana dispensary from displaying 16 samples of its medical marijuana in separate display cases, jars or 17 other containers and allowing medical marijuana patient licensees 18 and caregiver licensees the ability to handle or smell the various 19 samples as long as the sample medical marijuana is used for display 20 purposes only and is not offered for retail sale. 21

22 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 422, as last 23 amended by Section 2, Chapter 332, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 24 Section 422), is amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 422. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall make available on its website in an easy-to-find location an 2 application for a medical marijuana commercial grower license. 3 The application fee shall be paid by the applicant in the amounts 4 5 provided for in Section 427.14 of this title. A method of payment for the application fee shall be provided on the website of the 6 Authority. The Authority shall have ninety (90) business days to 7 review the application; approve, reject, or deny the application; 8 9 and mail send the approval, rejection, or denial letter stating the reasons for the rejection or denial to the applicant in the same 10 method the application was submitted to the Authority. 11 The Authority shall approve all applications which meet the 12 в. following criteria: 13 The applicant must be twenty-five (25) years of age or 1. 14 older; 15 2. The applicant, if applying as an individual, must show 16 residency in the State of Oklahoma this state; 17 3. All applying entities must show that all members, managers, 18 and board members are Oklahoma residents; 19 4. An applying entity may show ownership of non-Oklahoma 20 residents, but that percentage ownership may not exceed twenty-five 21 percent (25%); 22 5. All applying individuals or entities must be registered to 23 conduct business in the State of Oklahoma this state; and 24

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6. All applicants must disclose all ownership interests in the
 2 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 8 9 marijuana to a licensed medical marijuana dispensary or a licensed medical marijuana processor. Further, sales by a licensed medical 10 marijuana commercial grower shall be considered wholesale sales and 11 shall not be subject to taxation. Under no circumstances may a 12 licensed medical marijuana commercial grower sell marijuana directly 13 to a licensed medical marijuana patient or licensed medical 14 marijuana caregiver. A licensed medical marijuana commercial grower 15 may only sell at the wholesale level to a licensed medical marijuana 16 dispensary, a licensed medical marijuana commercial grower or a 17 licensed medical marijuana processor. If the federal government 18 lifts restrictions on buying and selling marijuana between states, 19 then a licensed medical marijuana commercial grower would be allowed 20 to sell and buy marijuana wholesale from, or to, an out-of-state 21 wholesale provider. A licensed medical marijuana commercial grower 22 shall be required to complete a monthly yield and sales report to 23 the Authority. This report shall be due on the fifteenth of each 24

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1 month and provide reporting on the previous month. This report 2 shall detail the amount of marijuana harvested in pounds, the amount of drying or dried marijuana on hand, the amount of marijuana sold 3 to licensed processors in pounds, the amount of waste in pounds, and 4 5 the amount of marijuana sold to licensed medical marijuana dispensaries in pounds. Additionally, this report shall show total 6 wholesale sales in dollars. The Authority shall have oversight and 7 auditing responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana being grown 8 9 by licensed medical marijuana commercial growers is accounted for. There shall be no limits on how much marijuana a licensed 10 D. medical marijuana commercial grower can grow. 11

12 Е. Beginning on the effective date of this act November 1, 2021, licensed medical marijuana commercial growers shall be 13 authorized to package and sell pre-rolled marijuana to licensed 14 medical marijuana dispensaries. The products described in this 15 subsection shall contain only the ground parts of the marijuana 16 plant and shall not include marijuana concentrates or derivatives. 17 The total net weight of each pre-roll packaged and sold by licensed 18 medical marijuana commercial growers shall not exceed one (1) gram. 19 These products must be tested, packaged and labeled in accordance 20 with Oklahoma law and rules promulgated by the Authority. 21

22 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 423, as last 23 amended by Section 3, Chapter 332, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 24 Section 423), is amended to read as follows:

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Section 423. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall make available on its website in an easy-to-find location an application for a medical marijuana processing license. The Authority shall be authorized to issue two types of medical marijuana processor licenses based on the level of risk posed by the type of processing conducted:

Nonhazardous medical marijuana processor license; and 7 1. 2. Hazardous medical marijuana processor license. 8 9 The application fee for a nonhazardous or hazardous medical 10 marijuana processor license shall be paid by the applicant in the amounts provided for in Section 427.14 of this title. A method of 11 12 payment shall be provided on the website of the Authority. The Authority shall have ninety (90) business days to review the 13 application; approve, reject, or deny the application; and mail send 14 the approval, rejection, or denial letter stating the reasons for 15 the rejection or denial to the applicant in the same method the 16 application was submitted to the Authority. 17

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

20 1. The applicant must be twenty-five (25) years of age or 21 older;

22 2. The applicant, if applying as an individual, must show
23 residency in the State of Oklahoma this state;

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

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

5. All applying individuals or entities must be registered to
7 conduct business in the State of Oklahoma this state; and

8 6. All applicants must disclose all ownership interests in the9 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.

15 C. 1. A licensed processor may take marijuana plants and 16 distill or process these plants into concentrates, edibles, and 17 other forms for consumption.

As required by subsection D of this section, the 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 Authority.

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

6. Licensed processors shall be required to complete a monthly 17 yield and sales report to the Authority. This report shall be due 18 on the fifteenth of each month and shall provide reporting on the 19 previous month. This report shall detail the amount of marijuana 20 and medical marijuana products purchased in pounds, the amount of 21 marijuana cooked or processed in pounds, and the amount of waste in 22 pounds. Additionally, this report shall show total wholesale sales 23 in dollars. The Authority shall have oversight and auditing 24

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responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana being processed is
 accounted for.

The Authority shall oversee the inspection and compliance of 3 D. licensed processors producing products with marijuana as an 4 5 additive. The Authority shall be compelled to, within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, appoint twelve (12) Oklahoma 6 residents to the Medical Marijuana Advisory Council, who are 7 marijuana industry experts, to create a list of food safety 8 9 standards for processing and handling medical marijuana in Oklahoma. 10 These standards shall be adopted by the Authority and the Authority may enforce these standards for licensed processors. The Authority 11 12 shall develop a standards review procedure and these standards can 13 be altered by calling another council of twelve (12) Oklahoma marijuana industry experts. A signed letter of twenty operating, 14 licensed processors shall constitute a need for a new council and 15 standards review. 16

E. If it becomes permissible under federal law, marijuana maybe moved across state lines.

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

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SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.3, as
 last amended by Section 2 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st
 Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022,
 Section 427.3), is amended to read as follows:

5 Section 427.3. A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority within the State Department of Health which 6 shall address issues related to the medical marijuana program in 7 Oklahoma including, but not limited to, the issuance of patient 8 9 licenses and medical marijuana business licenses, and the 10 dispensing, cultivating, processing, testing, transporting, storage, research, and the use of and sale of medical marijuana pursuant to 11 the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act. 12

B. The Department shall provide support staff to perform
designated duties of the Authority. The Department shall also
provide office space for meetings of the Authority.

16 C. The Authority shall implement the provisions of the Oklahoma 17 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act consistently with the 18 voter-approved State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, 19 subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 20 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
 marijuana products is being conducted for public purposes, including
 the advancement of:

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b. agronomic and horticultural best practices, and

public health policy and public safety policy,

c. medical and pharmacopoeia best practices;

8 2. Contract with third-party vendors and other governmental 9 entities in order to carry out the respective duties and functions 10 as specified in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 11 Protection Act;

12 3. Upon complaint or upon its own motion and upon a completed 13 investigation, levy fines as prescribed in applicable laws, rules, 14 and regulations and suspend, revoke, or not renew licenses pursuant 15 to applicable laws, rules, and regulations;

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

19 5. Apply for injunctive or declaratory relief to enforce the20 provisions of applicable laws, rules, and regulations;

6. Inspect and examine all licensed premises of medical
marijuana businesses, research facilities, education facilities, and
waste disposal facilities in which medical marijuana is cultivated,

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1 manufactured, sold, stored, transported, tested, distributed, or 2 disposed of;

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

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

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

14 10. Establish a fee schedule and collect fees for material 15 changes requested by the licensee;

16 11. Establish regulations, which require a medical marijuana 17 business to submit information to the Authority, deemed reasonably 18 necessary to assist the Authority in the prevention of diversion of 19 medical marijuana by a licensed medical marijuana business. Such 20 information required by the Authority may include, but shall not be 21 limited to:

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a. the square footage of the licensed premises,

b. a diagram of the licensed premises,

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1 с. the number and type of lights at the licensed medical marijuana commercial grower business, 2 d. the number, type, and production capacity of equipment 3 located at the medical marijuana processing facility, 4 5 e. the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of employees or agents of a medical marijuana business, 6 f. employment manuals and standard operating procedures 7 for the medical marijuana business, and 8 9 any other information as the Authority reasonably q. 10 deems necessary; Declare and establish a moratorium on processing and 11 12. 12 issuing new medical marijuana business licenses pursuant to Section 13 427.14 of this title for an amount of time the Authority deems necessary; and 14

Enter into and negotiate the terms of Memorandums of 15 13. Understanding between the Authority and other state agencies 16 17 concerning the enforcement of laws regulating medical marijuana in this state. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous 18 Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and the 19 Oklahoma Attorney General shall have full authority to investigate 20 and enforce any violations of the laws regarding medical marijuana 21 including medical marijuana business licenses held by commercial 22 growers, processors, transporters, researchers, education 23 facilities, and waste disposal facilities; 24

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1	14. Purchase and maintain motor vehicles for use by the
2	employees of the Authority; and
3	15. Enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of
4	food, lodging, and other authorized expenses as may be necessary to
5	host, conduct, sponsor, or participate in conferences, meetings, or
6	training sessions. The Authority may establish accounts as
7	necessary for the collection and distribution of funds, including
8	funds of sponsors and registration fees, related to such
9	conferences, meetings, and training sessions. Any expenses incurred
10	may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business
11	establishment.
12	SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13	in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 427.3b of Title 63, unless there
14	is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
15	There is hereby created a petty cash fund for the Oklahoma
16	Medical Marijuana Authority. The fund shall be used by the
17	Authority to supply its agents with money for undercover operations,
18	to perform statutory requirements, and to obtain evidence for case
19	presentations. The amount of the petty cash fund shall be
20	determined by the Director of the Office of Management and
21	Enterprise Services and the Executive Director of the Oklahoma
22	Medical Marijuana Authority. The Director of the Office of
23	Management and Enterprise Services shall be authorized to prescribe
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forms, systems, and procedures for the administration of the petty
 cash fund.

3 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.4, as 4 amended by Section 3 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st 5 Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 6 Section 427.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.4. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority 7 Α. shall employ an Executive Director and other personnel as necessary 8 9 to assist the Authority in carrying out its duties. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and 10 consent of the Senate. The Executive Director shall serve at the 11 12 pleasure of the Governor and may be removed or replaced without 13 cause. Compensation for the Executive Director shall be determined pursuant to Section 3601.2 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. 14

B. The Authority shall not employ an individual if any of the following circumstances exist:

The individual has a direct or indirect interest in a
 licensed medical marijuana business; or

19 2. The individual or his or her spouse, parent, child, spouse 20 of a child, sibling, or spouse of a sibling has an application for a 21 medical marijuana business license pending before the Authority or 22 is a member of the board of directors of a medical marijuana 23 business, or is an individual financially interested in any licensee 24 or medical marijuana business.

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C. All officers and employees of the Authority shall be in the
 exempt unclassified service as provided for in Section 840-5.5 of
 Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

D. The Executive Director may delegate to any officer or
employee of the Authority any of the powers of the Executive
Director and may designate any officer or employee of the Authority
to perform any of the duties of the Executive Director.

8 E. The Executive Director may promulgate rules governing the 9 oversight and implementation of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 10 Patient Protection Act.

The Authority is hereby authorized to create employment 11 F. 12 positions necessary for the implementation of its obligations pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection 13 Act including, but not limited to, investigators of the Authority 14 and a director of enforcement. The Authority, the director of 15 enforcement, the Executive Director, investigators of the Authority, 16 17 the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General 18 shall have all the powers and authority of a peace officer of this 19 state for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of the Oklahoma 20 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and other laws 21 pertaining to medical marijuana, rules promulgated by the Executive 22 Director, or criminal laws of this state. These powers shall 23 include but not be limited to: 24

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Investigating violations or suspected violations of the
 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act or other laws
 pertaining to medical marijuana, any rules promulgated pursuant
 thereto, and any violations of criminal laws of this state
 discovered through the course of such investigations;

2. Serving and executing all warrants, summonses, subpoenas,
administrative citations, notices or other processes relating to the
enforcement of laws regulating marijuana, concentrate, and marijuana
product;

Seizing, destroying, confiscating, embargoing, or placing an
 administrative hold on any marijuana or marijuana product not
 properly logged in <u>the</u> inventory records <u>tracking system</u> or
 untraceable product not required to be in the system, altered or
 improperly packaged, or illegally held in violation of the Oklahoma
 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, any other laws of this
 state, or any rules promulgated by the Executive Director;

Assisting or aiding any law enforcement officer in the
 performance of his or her duties upon such law enforcement officer's
 request or the request of other local officials having jurisdiction;

5. Referring any evidence, reports, or charges regarding
 violations of any provision of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and
 Patient Protection Act that carries criminal penalty, or of any
 other criminal laws of this state, to the appropriate law
 enforcement authority and prosecutorial authority for action;

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1 6. Aiding the enforcement authorities of this state or any 2 county or municipality of the state, or the federal government, in prosecutions of violations of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 3 Patient Protection Act or any other laws of this state that carry 4 5 criminal penalty involving crimes discovered during the investigation of violations or suspected violations of the Oklahoma 6 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act or other laws 7 pertaining to medical marijuana or any rules promulgated pursuant 8 9 thereto;

Requiring any business applicant or licensee to permit an
 inspection of licensed premises during business hours or at any time
 of apparent operation, marijuana equipment, and marijuana
 accessories, or books and records; and to permit the testing of or
 examination of medical marijuana, concentrate, or product;

8. Requiring applicants and licensees to submit complete and current applications, information and fees required by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Waste Management Act and Sections 420 through 426.1 of this title, and approve material changes made by the applicant or licensee;

9. Requiring medical marijuana business licensees to submit a
 sample or unit of medical marijuana or medical marijuana product to
 the quality assurance laboratory when the Authority has reason to
 believe the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product may be

unsafe for patient consumption or inhalation or has not been tested in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Executive Director. The licensee shall provide the samples or units of medical marijuana or medical marijuana products at its own expense but shall not be responsible for the costs of testing; and

10. Requiring medical marijuana business licensees to 8 9 periodically submit samples or units of medical marijuana or medical 10 marijuana products to the quality assurance laboratory for quality assurance purposes. Licensed growers, processors, dispensaries and 11 transporters shall not be required to submit samples or units of 12 medical marijuana or medical marijuana products more than twice a 13 The licensee shall provide the samples or units of medical 14 vear. marijuana or medical marijuana products at its own expense but shall 15 not be responsible for the costs of testing. 16

G. All investigators of the Authority shall meet all training
requirements and qualifications for peace officers as required by
Section 3311 et seq. of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

H. During the course of an investigation, the Authority, as
provided by subsection F of this section, may arrest a violator or
suspected violator of any laws of this state committed in the
presence of the Authority or upon the development of probable cause
that such crime has been committed. The Authority as provided by

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subsection F of this section may, upon request of a sheriff or
 another peace officer of this state, or any political subdivision
 thereof, assist in the apprehension and arrest of a violator or
 suspected violator of any of the laws of this state.

5 I. The Executive Director may employ or contract with attorneys, as needed, to advise the Authority on all legal matters 6 and to appear for and represent the Executive Director and the 7 Authority in all administrative hearings and all litigation or other 8 9 proceedings which may arise in the discharge of their duties. At the request of the Executive Director, such attorneys shall assist 10 district attorneys in prosecuting charges of violators of the 11 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act or any other 12 13 laws of this state that carry criminal penalty involving crimes discovered during the investigation of violations or suspected 14 violations of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection 15 Act or other laws pertaining to medical marijuana or any rules 16 17 promulgated pursuant thereto.

18 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.14, as 19 last amended by Section 5 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st 20 Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 21 Section 427.14), is amended to read as follows:

22 Section 427.14. A. There is hereby created the medical 23 marijuana business license, which shall include the following 24 categories:

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1 1. Medical marijuana commercial grower; 2 2. Medical marijuana processor; Medical marijuana dispensary; 3 3. 4. Medical marijuana transporter; and 4 5 5. Medical marijuana testing laboratory. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority, with the aid of 6 в. the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, shall develop a 7 website for medical marijuana business applications. 8 9 С. The Authority shall make available on its website in an easy-to-find location, applications for a medical marijuana 10 business. 11 12 D. 1. The annual, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana transporter license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars 13 (\$2,500.00). 14 2. The initial, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana 15 commercial grower license shall be calculated based upon the total 16 amount of square feet of canopy or acres the grower estimates will 17 be harvested, transferred, or sold for the year. The annual, 18 nonrefundable license fee shall be based upon the total amount of 19 square feet of canopy or acres harvested, transferred, or sold by 20 the grower during the previous twelve (12) months. The amount of 21

22 the fees shall be determined as follows:

a. For an indoor, greenhouse, or light deprivationmedical marijuana grow facility:

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- 1(1) Tier 1: Up to ten thousand (10,000) square feet2of canopy, the fee shall be Two Thousand Five3Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00),
 - (2) Tier 2: Ten thousand one (10,001) square feet of canopy to twenty thousand (20,000) square feet of canopy, the fee shall be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00),
 - (3) Tier 3: Twenty thousand one (20,001) square feet of canopy to forty thousand (40,000) square feet of canopy, the fee shall be Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00),
- 12 (4) Tier 4: Forty thousand one (40,001) square feet
 13 of canopy to sixty thousand (60,000) square feet
 14 of canopy, the fee shall be Twenty Thousand
 15 Dollars (\$20,000.00),
 - (5) Tier 5: Sixty thousand one (60,001) square feet of canopy to eighty thousand (80,000) square feet of canopy, the fee shall be Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00),
- 20 (6) Tier 6: Eighty thousand one (80,001) square feet 21 of canopy to ninety-nine thousand nine hundred 22 ninety-nine (99,999) square feet of canopy, the 23 fee shall be Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), 24 and

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

- 1(6) Tier 6: Thirty More than thirty (30) acres up to2forty (40) acres, the fee shall be Forty Thousand3Dollars (\$40,000.00),
 - (7) Tier 7: Forty <u>More than forty</u> (40) acres up to fifty (50) acres, the fee shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), and
 - (8) Tier 8: If the amount of acreage exceeds fifty (50) acres, the fee shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) plus an additional Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per acre.
- For a medical marijuana commercial grower that has a 11 с. combination of both indoor and outdoor growing 12 13 facilities at one location, the medical marijuana commercial grower shall be required to obtain a 14 separate license from the Authority for each type of 15 grow operation and shall be subject to the licensing 16 fees provided for in subparagraphs a and b of this 17 paragraph. 18
- 19 d. As used in this paragraph:
- (1) "canopy" means the total surface area within a
 cultivation area that is dedicated to the
 cultivation of flowering marijuana plants. The
 surface area of the plant canopy must be
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include all of the area within the boundaries 1 2 where the cultivation of the flowering marijuana 3 plants occurs. If the surface of the plant canopy consists of noncontiguous areas, each 4 5 component area must be separated by identifiable boundaries. If a tiered or shelving system is 6 used in the cultivation area, the surface area of 7 each tier or shelf must be included in 8 9 calculating the area of the plant canopy. Calculation of the area of the plant canopy may 10 not include the areas within the cultivation area 11 12 that are used to cultivate immature marijuana 13 plants and seedlings, prior to flowering, and that are not used at any time to cultivate mature 14 marijuana plants. If the flowering plants are 15 vertically grown in cylinders, the square footage 16 17 of the canopy shall be measured by the circumference of the cylinder multiplied by the 18 total length of the cylinder, 19 "greenhouse" means a structure located outdoors 20 (2)

that is completely covered by a material that allows a controlled level of light transmission, and

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2concrete floors and the ability to manipulate natural light.3The initial, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana5processor license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars6(\$2,500.00). The annual, nonrefundable license fee for a medical marijuana processor license shall be determined based on the8previous twelve (12) months as follows:9a. Tier 1: Zere The transfer or sale of zero (0) to te thousand (10,000) pounds of biomass or production or use the production, transfer, or sale of up to one hundred (100) liters of cannabis concentrate,13whichever is greater, the annual fee shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00),15b. Tier 2: Ten The transfer or sale of ten thousand on (10,001) pounds to fifty thousand (50,000) pounds of biomass or production or use from the production,	
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20 <u>whichever is greater</u> , the annual fee shall be Five	
21 Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00),	
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23 one (50,001) pounds to one hundred fifty thousand	
24 (150,000) pounds of biomass or production or use fre	m

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1 the production, transfer, or sale of three hundred fifty-one (351) to six hundred fifty (650) liters of 2 cannabis concentrate, whichever is greater, the annual 3 fee shall be Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), 4 5 d. Tier 4: One The transfer or sale of one hundred fifty thousand one (150,001) pounds to three hundred 6 thousand (300,000) pounds of biomass or production or 7 use from the production, transfer, or sale of six 8 9 hundred fifty-one (651) to one thousand (1,000) liters of cannabis concentrate, whichever is greater, the 10 annual fee shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars 11 12 (\$15,000.00), and Tier 5: More The transfer or sale of more than three 13 e. hundred thousand one (300,001) pounds of biomass or 14 production or use the production, transfer, or sale in 15 excess of one thousand one (1,001) liters of cannabis 16 concentrate, the annual fee shall be Twenty Thousand 17 Dollars (\$20,000.00). 18 For purposes of this paragraph only, if the cannabis concentrate 19 is in nonliquid form, every one thousand (1,000) grams of 20

21 concentrated marijuana shall be calculated as one (1) liter of 22 cannabis concentrate.

4. The initial, nonrefundable fee for a medical marijuana
dispensary license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars

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1 (\$2,500.00). The annual, nonrefundable license fee for a medical 2 marijuana dispensary license shall be calculated at ten percent 3 (10%) of the sum of twelve (12) calendar months of the combined 4 annual state sales tax and state excise tax of the dispensary <u>during</u> 5 <u>the previous twelve (12) months</u>. The minimum fee shall be not less 6 than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) and the maximum 7 fee shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

8 5. The annual, nonrefundable license fee for a medical
9 marijuana testing laboratory shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars
10 (\$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;

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

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

4. All applications shall be complete and accurate in everydetail;

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

6. All applications for a transporter license, initial 4 5 dispensary license, initial processor license, or laboratory license shall be accompanied by a full remittance for the whole amount of 6 the application fees. Application license fee as set forth in 7 subsection D of this section. All submissions of grower 8 9 applications, renewal processor applications, and renewal dispensary applications shall be accompanied by a remittance of a fee of Two 10 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00). The Authority shall 11 12 invoice license applicants, if applicable, for any additional licensing fees owed pursuant to subsection D of this section prior 13 to approval of a license application. License fees are 14 nonrefundable; 15 7. All applicants shall be approved for licensing review that, 16 at a minimum, meets meet the following criteria: 17 twenty-five (25) years of age or older, 18 a. if applying as an individual, proof that the applicant b. 19 is an Oklahoma resident pursuant to paragraph 11 of 20 this subsection, 21 if applying as an entity, proof that seventy-five 22 с. percent (75%) of all members, managers, executive 23 officers, partners, board members or any other form of 24

business ownership are Oklahoma residents pursuant to paragraph 11 of this subsection,

- d. if applying as an individual or entity, proof that the
 individual or entity is registered to conduct business
 in the State of Oklahoma this state,
- e. disclosure of all ownership interests pursuant to the
 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act,
 and
- 9 f. proof that the medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research facility, medical marijuana 10 education facility and medical marijuana waste 11 disposal facility applicant or licensee has not been 12 convicted of a nonviolent felony in the last two (2) 13 years, or any other felony conviction within the last 14 five (5) years, is not a current inmate in the custody 15 of the Department of Corrections, or currently 16

incarcerated in a jail or corrections facility. 17 Upon reasonable suspicion that a medical marijuana business licensee 18 is illegally growing, processing, transferring, selling, disposing, 19 or diverting marijuana, the Authority, the Oklahoma State Bureau of 20 Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of 21 Investigation, or the Attorney General may subpoena documents 22 necessary to establish the personal identifying information of all 23 owners and individuals with any ownership interest in the business; 24

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1 8. There shall be no limit to the number of medical marijuana 2 business licenses or categories that an individual or entity can apply for or receive, although each application and each category 3 shall require a separate application and, application fee, or 4 5 license fee. A commercial grower, processor and dispensary, or any combination thereof, are authorized to share the same address or 6 physical location, subject to the restrictions set forth in the 7 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act; 8

9 9. All applicants for a medical marijuana business license, 10 research facility license or education facility license authorized 11 by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, or for 12 a renewal of such license, shall undergo a national fingerprint-13 based background check conducted by the Oklahoma State Bureau of 14 Investigation (OSBI) within thirty (30) days prior to the 15 application for the license, including:

individual applicants applying on their own behalf, 16 a. b. individuals applying on behalf of an entity, 17 all principal officers of an entity, and с. 18 d. all owners of an entity as defined by the Oklahoma 19 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act; 20 10. All applicable fees charged by the OSBI are the 21 responsibility of the applicant and shall not be higher than fees 22 charged to any other person or industry for such background checks; 23

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1 11. In order to be considered an Oklahoma resident for purposes of a medical marijuana business application, all applicants shall 2 provide proof of Oklahoma residency for at least two (2) years 3 immediately preceding the date of application or five (5) years of 4 5 continuous Oklahoma residency during the preceding twenty-five (25) years immediately preceding the date of application. Sufficient 6 documentation of proof of residency shall include a combination of 7 the following: 8

9 a. an unexpired Oklahoma-issued driver license, an Oklahoma identification card, b. 10 a utility bill preceding the date of application, 11 с. 12 excluding cellular telephone and Internet bills, d. a residential property deed to property in the State 13 of Oklahoma this state, and 14 a rental agreement preceding the date of application 15 e. for residential property located in the State of 16

17 Oklahoma this state.

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;

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

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

4	a. front of an Oklahoma driver license,
5	b. front of an Oklahoma identification card,
6	c. a United States passport or other photo identification
7	issued by the United States government, or
8	d. a tribal identification card approved for
9	identification purposes by the Oklahoma Department of
10	Public Safety; and
11	14. All applicants shall submit an applicant photograph.
12	F. The Authority shall review the medical marijuana business
13	application; approve, reject, or deny the application; and mail send
14	the approval, rejection, denial <u>,</u> or status-update letter to the
15	applicant in the same method the application was submitted to the
16	Authority within ninety (90) business days of receipt of the
17	application.
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G. 1. The Authority shall review the medical marijuana
business applications and, conduct all investigations, inspections,
and interviews, and collect all license and application fees before
approving the application.

22 2. Approved applicants shall be issued a medical marijuana
 23 business license for the specific category applied under, which
 24 shall act as proof of their approved status. Rejection and denial

1 letters shall provide a reason for the rejection or denial. Applications may only be rejected or denied based on the applicant 2 not meeting the standards set forth in the provisions of the 3 Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and Sections 4 5 420 through 426.1 of this title, improper completion of the application, unpaid license or application fees, or for a reason 6 provided for in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 7 Protection Act and Sections 420 through 426.1 of this title. 8 If an 9 application is rejected for failure to provide required information, the applicant shall have thirty (30) days to submit the required 10 information for reconsideration. No additional application fee 11 12 shall be charged for such reconsideration. Unless the Authority determines otherwise, an application that has been resubmitted but 13 is still incomplete or contains errors that are not clerical or 14 typographical in nature shall be denied. 15

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.

H. A license for a medical marijuana business, medicalmarijuana research facility, medical marijuana education facility or

1 medical marijuana waste disposal facility shall not be issued to or 2 held by:

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

4 2. A person who has been convicted of a nonviolent felony
5 within two (2) years of the date of application, or within five (5)
6 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;

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

13 5. A person licensed pursuant to this section who, during a 14 period of licensure, or who, at the time of application, has failed 15 to:

a. file taxes, interest or penalties due related to a
 medical marijuana business, or

b. pay taxes, interest or penalties due related to a
medical marijuana business;

A sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer or prosecuting
 officer, or an officer or employee of the Authority or municipality;
 A person whose authority to be a caregiver, as defined in
 Section 427.2 of this title, has been revoked by the Authority; or

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8. A person who was involved in the management or operations of
 any medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research facility,
 medical marijuana education facility or medical marijuana waste
 disposal facility that, after the initiation of a disciplinary
 action, has had a medical marijuana license revoked, not renewed, or
 surrendered during the five (5) years preceding submission of the
 application and for the following violations:

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- a. unlawful sales or purchases,
- 9 b. any fraudulent acts, falsification of records or
 10 misrepresentation to the Authority, medical marijuana
 11 patient licensees, caregiver licensees or medical
 12 marijuana business licensees,
- 13 c. any grossly inaccurate or fraudulent reporting,
- d. threatening or harming any medical marijuana patient,
 caregiver, medical practitioner or employee of the
 Authority,
- e. knowingly or intentionally refusing to permit the
 Authority access to premises or records,
- 19 f. using a prohibited, hazardous substance for processing 20 in a residential area,
- g. criminal acts relating to the operation of a medical
 marijuana business, or
- h. any violations that endanger public health and safetyor product safety.

I. In investigating the qualifications of an applicant or a
 licensee, the Authority and municipalities may have access to
 criminal history record information furnished by a criminal justice
 agency subject to any restrictions imposed by such an agency.

J. The failure of an applicant or licensee to provide the
requested information by the Authority deadline may be grounds for
denial of the application.

K. All applicants and licensees shall submit information to the 8 9 Authority in a full, faithful, truthful and fair manner. The Authority may recommend denial of an application where the applicant 10 or licensee made misstatements, omissions, misrepresentations or 11 untruths in the application or in connection with the background 12 investigation of the applicant. This type of conduct may be grounds 13 for administrative action against the applicant or licensee. Typos 14 and scrivener errors shall not be grounds for denial. 15

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.

M. All medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research
 facility, medical marijuana education facility and medical marijuana

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waste disposal facility licensees shall pay the relevant licensure
 fees prior to receiving licensure to operate.

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

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.

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

The Executive Director of the Authority may promulgate rules 17 Ο. to implement the provisions of this section including, but not 18 limited to, required application materials to be submitted by the 19 applicant and utilized by the Authority to determine medical 20 marijuana business licensing fees pursuant to this section. 21 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.16, as SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 22 last amended by Section 7 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st 23 24

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Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022,
 Section 427.16), is amended to read as follows:

3 Section 427.16. A. There is hereby created a medical marijuana
4 transporter license as a category of the medical marijuana business
5 license.

Pursuant to Section 424 of this title, the Oklahoma Medical 6 Β. Marijuana Authority shall issue a medical marijuana transporter 7 license to licensed medical marijuana commercial growers, processors 8 9 and dispensaries upon issuance of such licenses and upon each renewal. Medical marijuana transporter licenses shall also be 10 issued to licensed medical marijuana research facilities, medical 11 marijuana education facilities and medical marijuana testing 12 laboratories upon issuance of such licenses and upon each renewal. 13

C. A medical marijuana transporter license may also be issued 14 to qualifying applicants who are registered with the Secretary of 15 State and otherwise meet the requirements for a medical marijuana 16 17 business license set forth in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and the requirements set forth in this 18 section to provide logistics, distribution and storage of medical 19 marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana 20 products. 21

D. A medical marijuana transporter license shall be valid for one (1) year and shall not be transferred with a change of ownership. A licensed medical marijuana transporter shall be

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1 responsible for all medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate 2 and medical marijuana products once the transporter takes control of 3 the product.

E. A transporter license shall be required for any person or
entity to transport or transfer medical marijuana, medical marijuana
concentrate or medical marijuana products from a licensed medical
marijuana business to another medical marijuana business, or from a
medical marijuana business to a medical marijuana research facility
or medical marijuana education facility.

F. A medical marijuana transporter licensee may contract withmultiple licensed medical marijuana businesses.

12 G. A medical marijuana transporter may maintain a licensed premises to temporarily store medical marijuana, medical marijuana 13 concentrate and medical marijuana products and to use as a 14 centralized distribution point. A medical marijuana transporter may 15 store and distribute medical marijuana, medical marijuana 16 concentrate and medical marijuana products from the licensed 17 The licensed premises shall meet all security 18 premises. requirements applicable to a medical marijuana business. 19

H. A medical marijuana transporter licensee shall use the seedto-sale tracking system developed pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act to create shipping manifests documenting the transport of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana products throughout the state.

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I. A licensed medical marijuana transporter may maintain and
 operate one or more warehouses in the state to handle medical
 marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana
 products. Each location shall be registered and inspected by the
 Authority prior to its use.

J. With the exception of a lawful transfer between medical
marijuana businesses who are licensed to operate at the same
physical address, all medical marijuana, medical marijuana
concentrate and medical marijuana products shall be transported:

In vehicles equipped with Global Positioning System (GPS)
 trackers;

12 2. In a locked container and clearly labeled "Medical Marijuana 13 or Derivative"; and

14 3. In a secured area of the vehicle that is not accessible by 15 the driver during transit.

A transporter agent may possess marijuana at any location 16 Κ. while the transporter agent is transferring marijuana to or from a 17 licensed medical marijuana business, licensed medical marijuana 18 research facility or licensed medical marijuana education facility. 19 The Authority shall administer the provisions of this section and 20 the Authority, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous 21 Drugs Control, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and the 22 Attorney General shall have the authority to enforce the provisions 23 of this section concerning transportation. 24

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L. The Authority shall issue a transporter agent license to individual agents, employees, officers or owners of a transporter license in order for the individual to qualify to transport medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products.

M. The annual fee for a transporter agent license shall be
Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) and shall be paid by the transporter
license holder or the individual applicant. Transporter <u>agent</u>
license reprints shall be Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).

10 N. The Authority shall issue each transporter agent a registry
11 identification card within thirty (30) days of receipt of:

12 1. The name, address and date of birth of the person;

13 2. Proof of current state residency;

14 3. Proof of identity as required for a medical marijuana15 business license;

16 4. Possession of a valid state-issued driver license;

17 5. Verification of employment with a licensed transporter;

18 6. The application and affiliated fee; and

7. A copy of the criminal background check conducted by the
 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, paid for by the applicant.

0. If the transporter agent application is denied, the
Authority shall notify the transporter in writing of the reason for
denying the registry identification card.

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P. A registry identification card for a transporter shall
 expire one (1) year after the date of issuance or upon notification
 from the holder of the transporter license that the transporter
 agent ceases to work as a transporter.

Q. The Authority may revoke the registry identification card of a transporter agent who knowingly violates any provision of this section, and the transporter is subject to any other penalties established by law for the violation.

9 R. The Authority may revoke or suspend the transporter license 10 of a transporter that the Authority determines knowingly aided or 11 facilitated a violation of any provision of this section, and the 12 license holder is subject to any other penalties established in law 13 for the violation.

14 S. Vehicles used in the transport of medical marijuana or 15 medical marijuana product shall be:

Insured at or above the legal requirements in this state;
 Capable of securing medical marijuana during transport; and
 In possession of a shipping container as defined in Section
 427.2 of this title capable of securing all transported products.

T. Prior to the transport of any medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products, an inventory manifest shall be prepared at the origination point of the medical marijuana. The inventory manifest shall include the following information:

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1	1. For the origina	ation point of the medical marijuana:
2	a. the lice	nsee number for the commercial grower,
3	processo	c or dispensary,
4	b. address d	of origination of transport, and
5	c. name and	contact information for the originating
6	licensee	;
7	2. For the end real	cipient license holder of the medical
8	marijuana:	
9	a. the lice	nse number for the dispensary, commercial
10	grower,]	processor, research facility or education
11	facility	destination,
12	b. address o	of the destination, and
13	c. name and	contact information for the destination
14	licensee	;
15	3. Quantities by a	weight or unit of each type of medical
16	marijuana product conta	ained in transport;
17	4. The date of the	e transport and the approximate time of
18	departure;	
19	5. The arrival da	te and estimated time of arrival;
20	6. Printed names a	and signatures of the personnel accompanying
21	the transport; and	
22	7. Notation of the	e transporting licensee.
23	U. 1. A separate	inventory manifest shall be prepared for each
24	licensee receiving the	medical marijuana.

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2. The transporter agent shall provide the other medical
 marijuana business with a copy of the inventory manifest at the time
 the product changes hands and after the other licensee prints his or
 her name and signs the inventory manifest.

3. A receiving licensee shall refuse to accept any medical
marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana
products that are not accompanied by an inventory manifest.

8 4. Originating and receiving licensees shall maintain copies of
9 inventory manifests and logs of quantities of medical marijuana
10 received for seven (7) years from date of receipt.

11 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.17, as 12 last amended by Section 8 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2095 of the 1st 13 Session of the 59th Oklahoma Legislature (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 14 Section 427.17), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.17. A. There is hereby created a medical marijuana 15 testing laboratory license as a category of the medical marijuana 16 17 business license. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the 18 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and the Attorney General are 19 hereby enabled to monitor, inspect and audit a licensed testing 20 laboratory under the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient 21 Protection Act. 22

B. 1. The Authority is hereby authorized to <u>operate a quality</u>
assurance laboratory or to contract with a private laboratory for

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1	the purpose of conducting compliance testing of medical marijuana
2	testing laboratories licensed in this state. Any such laboratory
3	under contract for compliance testing shall be prohibited from
4	conducting any other commercial medical marijuana testing in this
5	state. The laboratory <u>If</u> the Authority contracts with for
6	compliance testing a private laboratory to implement the
7	requirements of this section:
8	1. The laboratory shall not employ, or be owned by, the
9	following:
10	a. any individual that has a direct or indirect interest
11	in a licensed medical marijuana business, or
12	b. any individual or his or her spouse, parent, child,
13	spouse of a child, sibling or spouse of a sibling that
14	has an application for a medical marijuana business
15	license pending before the Authority or is a member of
16	the board of directors of a medical marijuana
17	business, or is an individual financially interested
18	in any licensee or medical marijuana business located
19	within this state . ; and
20	2. The private laboratory under contract with the Authority for
21	compliance testing and a board or committee comprised of licensed
22	Oklahoma medical marijuana laboratories currently accredited by the

23 International Organization for Standardization (ISO) shall provide
24 to the Authority its recommendations for all equipment and standards

1 to be utilized by licensed medical marijuana testing laboratories when testing samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana 2 concentrate, and medical marijuana products as well as standard 3 operating procedures when extracting and testing medical marijuana, 4 5 medical marijuana concentrate, and medical marijuana products. The recommendations shall be submitted to the Authority no later than 6 June 1, 2023. The Authority shall have ninety (90) days from the 7 date it receives the recommendations to promulgate new rules or 8 9 modify its current rules for laboratory standards and testing. Beginning June 1, 2024, medical marijuana testing laboratories 10 renewing their medical marijuana business license shall be subject 11 to and comply with any new or modified rules relating to the testing 12 13 of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate, and medical marijuana products. The refusal or failure of a medical marijuana 14 testing laboratory licensee to comply with new or modified rules 15 relating to laboratory standards and testing procedures promulgated 16 17 under the provisions of this paragraph shall result in the permanent revocation of the medical marijuana testing laboratory license. 18

19 C. The Authority shall develop acceptable testing practices 20 including, but not limited to, testing, standards, quality control 21 analysis, equipment certification and calibration, and chemical 22 identification and substances used.

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D. A person who is a direct beneficial owner of a medical
 marijuana dispensary, medical marijuana commercial grower or medical
 marijuana processor shall not be an owner of a laboratory.

E. A laboratory and a laboratory applicant shall comply with
all applicable local ordinances including, but not limited to,
zoning, occupancy, licensing and building codes.

7 F. A separate license shall be required for each specific8 laboratory.

9 G. A medical marijuana testing laboratory license may be issued to a person who performs testing on medical marijuana and medical 10 marijuana products for medical marijuana businesses, medical 11 marijuana research facilities, medical marijuana education 12 facilities, and testing on marijuana and marijuana products grown or 13 produced by a patient or caregiver on behalf of a patient, upon 14 verification of registration. A medical marijuana testing 15 laboratory may also conduct research related to the development and 16 improvement of its testing practices and procedures. No state-17 approved medical marijuana testing facility shall operate unless a 18 medical laboratory director is on site during operational hours. 19

H. Laboratory applicants and licensees shall comply with the application requirements of this section and shall submit such other information as required for a medical marijuana business applicant, in addition to any information the Authority may request for initial approval and periodic evaluations during the approval period.

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1 I. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may accept samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical 2 marijuana product from a medical marijuana business, medical 3 marijuana research facility or medical marijuana education facility 4 5 for testing purposes only, which purposes may include the provision of testing services for samples submitted by a medical marijuana 6 business for product development. The Authority may require a 7 medical marijuana business to submit a sample of medical marijuana, 8 9 medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product to a medical marijuana testing or quality assurance laboratory upon 10 demand. 11

J. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may accept samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product from an individual person for testing only under the following conditions:

16 1. The individual person is a patient or caregiver pursuant to 17 the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act or is a 18 participant in an approved clinical or observational study conducted 19 by a research facility; and

20 2. The medical marijuana testing laboratory shall require the 21 patient or caregiver to produce a valid patient license and current 22 and valid photo identification.

K. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may transfer samplesto another medical marijuana testing laboratory for testing. All

1 laboratory reports provided to or by a medical marijuana business or 2 to a patient or caregiver shall identify the medical marijuana 3 testing laboratory that actually conducted the test.

A medical marijuana testing laboratory may utilize a 4 L. 5 licensed medical marijuana transporter to transport samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical 6 marijuana product for testing, in accordance with the Oklahoma 7 Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and the rules adopted 8 9 pursuant thereto, between the originating medical marijuana business requesting testing services and the destination laboratory 10 performing testing services. 11

The medical marijuana testing laboratory shall establish 12 М. policies to prevent the existence of or appearance of undue 13 commercial, financial or other influences that may diminish the 14 competency, impartiality and integrity of the testing processes or 15 results of the laboratory, or that may diminish public confidence in 16 the competency, impartiality and integrity of the testing processes 17 or results of the laboratory. At a minimum, employees, owners or 18 agents of a medical marijuana testing laboratory who participate in 19 any aspect of the analysis and results of a sample are prohibited 20 from improperly influencing the testing process, improperly 21 manipulating data or improperly benefiting from any ongoing 22 financial, employment, personal or business relationship with the 23 medical marijuana business that provided the sample. A medical 24

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1 marijuana testing laboratory shall not test samples for any medical 2 marijuana business in which an owner, employee or agent of the 3 medical marijuana testing laboratory has any form of ownership or 4 financial interest in the medical marijuana business.

N. The Authority, pursuant to rules promulgated by the
Executive Director of the Authority, shall develop standards,
policies and procedures as necessary for:

8 1. The cleanliness and orderliness of a laboratory premises and 9 the location of the laboratory in a secure location, and inspection, 10 cleaning and maintenance of any equipment or utensils used for the 11 analysis of test samples;

12 2. Testing procedures, testing standards for cannabinoid and 13 terpenoid potency and safe levels of contaminants, and remediation 14 procedures;

3. Controlled access areas for storage of medical marijuana and medical marijuana product test samples, waste and reference standards;

18 4. Records to be retained and computer systems to be utilized19 by the laboratory;

20 5. The possession, storage and use by the laboratory of 21 reagents, solutions and reference standards;

22 6. A certificate of analysis (COA) for each lot of reference23 standard;

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7. The transport and disposal of unused marijuana, marijuana
 2 products and waste;

8. The mandatory use by a laboratory of an inventory tracking 3 system to ensure all harvest and production batches or samples 4 5 containing medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products are identified and tracked from the point 6 they are transferred from a medical marijuana business, a patient or 7 a caregiver through the point of transfer, destruction or disposal. 8 9 The inventory tracking system reporting shall include the results of any tests that are conducted on medical marijuana, medical marijuana 10 concentrate or medical marijuana product; 11

12 9. Standards of performance;

13 10. The employment of laboratory personnel;

14 11. A written standard operating procedure manual to be 15 maintained and updated by the laboratory;

16 12. The successful participation in a proficiency testing 17 program approved by the Executive Director for each testing category 18 listed in this section, in order to obtain and maintain

19 certification;

20 13. The establishment of and adherence to a quality assurance 21 and quality control program to ensure sufficient monitoring of 22 laboratory processes and quality of results reported;

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14. The immediate recall of medical marijuana or medical
 marijuana products that test above allowable thresholds or are
 otherwise determined to be unsafe;

4 15. The establishment by the laboratory of a system to document
5 the complete chain of custody for samples from receipt through
6 disposal;

7 16. The establishment by the laboratory of a system to retain 8 and maintain all required records, including business records, and 9 processes to ensure results are reported in a timely and accurate 10 manner; and

11 17. Any other aspect of laboratory testing of medical marijuana 12 or medical marijuana product deemed necessary by the Executive 13 Director.

O. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall promptly 14 provide the Authority or designee of the Authority access to a 15 report of a test and any underlying data that is conducted on a 16 sample at the request of a medical marijuana business or qualified 17 patient. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall also provide 18 access to the Authority or designee of the Authority to laboratory 19 premises and to any material or information requested by the 20 Authority to determine compliance with the requirements of this 21 section. 22

P. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall retain allresults of laboratory tests conducted on marijuana or products for a

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1 period of at least seven (7) years and shall make them available to 2 the Authority upon request.

Q. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall test samples from each harvest batch or product batch, as appropriate, of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana product for each of the following categories of testing, consistent with standards developed by the Executive Director:

8 1. Microbials;

9 2. Mycotoxins;

10 3. Residual solvents;

11 4. Pesticides;

Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and other cannabinoid potency;
 Terpenoid type and concentration; and

14 7. Heavy metals.

A licensed medical marijuana testing laboratory shall test 15 R. each individual harvest batch. A grower shall separate each harvest 16 lot of usable marijuana into harvest batches containing no more than 17 fifteen (15) pounds, with the exception of any plant material to be 18 sold to a licensed processor for the purposes of turning the plant 19 material into concentrate which may be separated into harvest 20 batches of no more than fifty (50) pounds. A processor shall 21 separate each medical marijuana production lot into production 22 batches containing no more than four (4) liters of concentrate or 23 nine (9) pounds for nonliquid products, and for final products, the 24

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Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall be authorized to
 promulgate rules on final products as necessary. Provided, however,
 the Authority shall not require testing of final products less often
 than every one thousand (1,000) grams of THC. As used in this
 subsection, "final products" shall include, but not be limited to,
 cookies, brownies, candies, gummies, beverages and chocolates.

S. Medical marijuana testing laboratory licensure shall be
contingent upon successful on-site inspection, successful
participation in proficiency testing and ongoing compliance with the
applicable requirements in this section.

T. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall be inspected prior to initial licensure and up to two (2) times per year thereafter by an inspector approved by the Authority. The Authority may enter the licensed premises of a testing laboratory to conduct investigations and additional inspections when the Authority believes an investigation or additional inspection is necessary due to a possible violation of applicable laws, rules or regulations.

U. Medical marijuana testing laboratories shall obtain
accreditation by an accrediting body approved by the Executive
Director or the Authority's quality assurance laboratory within one
(1) year of the date the initial license is issued. Renewal of any
medical marijuana testing laboratory license shall be contingent
upon accreditation in accordance with this subsection. All medical
marijuana testing laboratories shall obtain accreditation prior to

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applying for and receiving a medical marijuana testing laboratory
 license.

V. Unless authorized by the provisions of this section, a 3 commercial grower shall not transfer or sell medical marijuana and a 4 5 processor shall not transfer, sell or process into a concentrate or product any medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or 6 medical marijuana product unless samples from each harvest batch or 7 production batch from which that medical marijuana, medical 8 9 marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product was derived has 10 been tested by a medical marijuana testing laboratory and passed all contaminant tests required by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 11 12 Patient Protection Act and applicable laws, rules and regulations. A licensed commercial grower may transfer medical marijuana that has 13 failed testing to a licensed processor only for the purposes of 14 decontamination or remediation and only in accordance with the 15 provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection 16 Act and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Executive 17 Director. Remediated and decontaminated medical marijuana may be 18 returned only to the originating licensed commercial grower. 19 Kief shall not be transferred or sold except as authorized 20 W.

in the rules and regulations promulgated by the Executive Director. SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 427.17a of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority may operate a
 quality assurance laboratory for the purpose of conducting
 compliance testing of medical marijuana businesses licensed in this
 state.

5 B. The Authority shall utilize the quality assurance laboratory6 to:

Provide recommendations for all equipment and standards to
be utilized by licensed medical marijuana testing laboratories when
testing samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate,
and medical marijuana products;

Provide standardized operating procedures when procuring,
 collecting, extracting, and testing medical marijuana, medical
 marijuana concentrate, and medical marijuana products;

14 3. Procure, handle, transfer, transport, and test samples taken 15 from medical marijuana licensed businesses;

Implement the secret shopper program pursuant to Section
 427.25 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

5. Detect and analyze any compounds that are not among the
targeted analytes and are unknown, unidentified, tentatively
identified, or known and injurious to human health if consumed.

21 C. In order to fulfill the provisions of subsection A of this 22 section, the Authority may:

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Enter into interlocal agreements with any other government
 agency pursuant to Section 1001 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma
 Statutes;

Select a laboratory information system through a competitive
 bidding process pursuant to Section 85.7 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma
 Statutes; or

Collect samples from harvest batches that failed testing.
D. The quality assurance laboratory may transport and transfer
medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate, and medical
marijuana product for testing between the originating medical
marijuana business, the quality assurance laboratory, and other
licensed medical marijuana testing laboratories pursuant to this
section.

The quality assurance laboratory shall comply with the Ε. 14 provisions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection 15 Act when transporting samples of medical marijuana, medical 16 marijuana concentrate, and medical marijuana product for testing 17 between the originating medical marijuana business, the quality 18 assurance laboratory, and other licensed medical marijuana testing 19 laboratories pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section 20 shall require the quality assurance laboratory to apply for and 21 receive a license. 22

F. The Authority shall submit an annual report to theLegislature on quality assurance activities and results.

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G. The Authority may promulgate rules necessary for the
 implementation of a quality assurance laboratory pursuant to this
 section.

SECTION 11. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 352, O.S.L.
2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.25), is amended to read as
follows:

Section 427.25. A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority
shall implement rules to employ secret shoppers. Secret shoppers
shall purchase medical marijuana or marijuana products from licensed
medical marijuana dispensaries <u>utilizing cash from the petty cash</u>
fund authorized in Section 5 of this act.

B. For each purchase, the <u>The</u> secret shopper shall <u>buy be</u>
authorized to:

1. Purchase an amount of medical marijuana or marijuana 14 products sufficient for five two complete compliance tests; or 15 2. Attempt to purchase medical marijuana or marijuana products 16 in order to prove compliance with the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and 17 Patient Protection Act or any rule determined by the Authority. 18 Four samples C. Samples collected pursuant to paragraph 1 of 19 subsection B of this section shall be tested by licensed medical 20 marijuana testing laboratories, one of which shall be the laboratory 21 of origin, if applicable, and one of which may be the Authority's 22 quality assurance laboratory. One sample shall be kept in reserve 23 by the Authority in the event of a discrepancy between the testing 24

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laboratories, which may require retesting of the medical marijuana
 or marijuana products. When making purchases from a licensed
 medical marijuana dispensary, the secret shopper shall ask for the
 certificate of analysis for each product purchased.

5 C. D. The secret shopper shall deliver the medical marijuana or marijuana products to a quality assurance laboratory, which may be 6 the Authority's quality assurance laboratory, for homogenization. 7 Once the samples have been homogenized, the samples shall be 8 9 delivered to four randomly selected two licensed medical marijuana 10 testing laboratories, one of which may be the Authority's quality assurance laboratory, for compliance testing which shall include the 11 12 testing for pesticides, heavy metals, microbials, residual solvents for extracted products, and potency. One sample shall be kept by 13 the Authority in reserve. If the medical marijuana or marijuana 14 products were previously tested with available results from a 15 licensed medical marijuana testing laboratory, that testing 16 laboratory shall be one of the four licensed medical marijuana 17 testing laboratories chosen by the Authority. For the avoidance of 18 doubt, neither the licensed medical marijuana dispensary nor the 19 licensed medical marijuana testing laboratory shall be told that the 20 business entity is selling medical marijuana or marijuana products 21 to a secret shopper or testing samples submitted by a secret shopper 22 employed by the Authority and posing as a licensed medical marijuana 23 patient. 24

D. E. The Authority shall inspect, by secret shopper, a minimum
of fifty licensed medical marijuana dispensaries annually beginning
January 1, 2024. In the year 2025, the Authority shall inspect, by
secret shopper, a minimum of ten percent (10%) of randomly selected
licensed medical marijuana dispensaries in Oklahoma per year.

E. F. 1. When the licensed medical marijuana testing 6 laboratories unanimously confirm test results with safety failures 7 for contaminants, the Authority shall recall the medical marijuana 8 9 or marijuana product within seven (7) days of obtaining the test The name of the licensed medical marijuana dispensary and 10 results. any other relevant product information shall be made public via a 11 press release issued by the Authority. If there is greater than one 12 but less than four contaminant fails among the licensed medical 13 marijuana testing laboratories, the Authority shall work with a 14 quality assurance laboratory to verify the results of the licensed 15 medical marijuana testing laboratories and take appropriate action. 16

17 2. When the average of total potency or total terpene results 18 collected from a licensed medical marijuana testing laboratory for a 19 particular product is outside the allowable limits, the Authority 20 shall work with a quality assurance laboratory to verify the results 21 of the testing laboratory. If results are verified to be outside 22 the allowable limits, the Authority shall require relabeling of the 23 medical marijuana or marijuana products.

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3. All investigative results shall be retained by the Authority
 2 for a minimum of three (3) years.

4. The Authority shall implement rules to notify any licensed
medical marijuana dispensary and licensed medical marijuana grower
or licensed medical marijuana processor of any investigative results
determined to be noncompliant.

5. After the licensed medical marijuana dispensary and licensed
medical marijuana grower or licensed medical marijuana processor is
notified of the investigative results, such results may be used by
the Authority to take action against the licensee, assess fines, or
assess other civil penalties available to the Authority.

12 6. The Authority shall implement rules on sharing such
13 investigative results with any other law enforcement agencies or
14 regulatory authorities.

15 7. The Authority may elect to conduct further evaluations of 16 the investigative results at any time for verification or for other 17 purposes reasonably related to sanitation, public health, or public 18 safety.

19 F. G. The failure of any licensed medical marijuana business to 20 cooperate with the provisions of this section may result in the 21 revocation of the license at the discretion of the Authority.

G. H. Any secret shopper performing any provision of this
 section shall not be required to fulfill licensing requirements of
 Section 420 of this title for a patient license and shall be able to

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1	enter a dispensary with appropriate authorization as determined by
2	the Authority.
3	I. The Authority shall implement rules necessary to enforce the
4	provisions of this act section.
5	SECTION 12. This act shall become effective June 1, 2023.
6	SECTION 13. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
7	of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
8	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
9	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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