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PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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## PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to medical marijuana; amending Section 1, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 420), which relates to medical marijuana patient and caregiver licensing requirements; specifying biannual payment of application fees for patient licenses; authorizing the State Department of Health to deny patient license applications; removing recordkeeping requirement related to approved medical marijuana licenses; clarifying types of records and information the Department must seal for privacy; providing for the assessment of late renewal fees for patients attempting to renew licenses after expiration; making renewal fees nonrefundable; prohibiting reinstatement of certain expired licenses; amending Section 2, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 421), which relates to dispensary licensing requirements; increasing time limitation for reviewing medical marijuana dispensary license applications; authorizing the Department to deny dispensary license applications; deleting penalties for gross discrepancy and fraudulent reporting and fraudulent sales; amending Section 3, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 422), which relates to commercial grower licensing requirements; increasing time limitation for reviewing medical marijuana commercial grower license applications; authorizing the Department to deny commercial grower license applications; authorizing commercial growers to package and sell pre-rolled cigarettes; deleting penalties for gross discrepancy and fraudulent

reporting and fraudulent sales; amending Section 4, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 423), which relates to processor licensing requirements; increasing time limitation for reviewing medical marijuana processing license applications; authorizing the Department to deny processing license applications; deleting penalties for gross discrepancy and fraudulent reporting; specifying entity that oversees inspection and compliance of processors; amending Section 6, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 425), which relates to protections for medical marijuana licensees; decreasing distance requirement between retail marijuana establishments and public and private schools; specifying manner by which distances between properties shall be measured; updating statutory citation; amending Section 4, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 426.1), which relates to licensure revocation and hearings; updating statutory citations; directing the Department to make list of marijuana-licensed premises available to state agencies; requiring marijuana-licensed premises and businesses to submit certain documentation when requesting a location change; amending Section 2, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 2019, Section 3, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 6, Chapter 477, O.S.L. 2019, Section 4, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 6, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 7, Chapter 477, O.S.L. 2019, Section 7, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019, Section 9, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 10, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 2019, Section 11, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 13, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 14, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 6, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019, Section 16, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 17, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2019, Section 18, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 19, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 20, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, Section 22, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019 and Section 23, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 477, O.S.L. 2019

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(63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Sections 427.2, 427.3, 427.4, 427.6, 427.7, 427.9, 427.10, 427.11, 427.13, 427.14, 427.16, 427.17, 427.18, 427.19, 427.20, 427.22 and 427.23), which relate to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act; modifying scope of certain definitions; deleting certain definitions; updating references to certain named act; clarifying duties and functions of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority; providing for the establishment of a fee schedule and collection of fees under certain circumstances; modifying inspection notification requirement; requiring licensees to submit certain information; providing statutory citations; authorizing on-site inspections or investigations of medical marijuana businesses and certain facilities; authorizing the State Department of Health to enter licensed premises and certain facilities; providing for post-licensure inspections; removing notice requirement; providing for additional investigations and inspections under certain circumstances; authorizing the review of licensed medical marijuana waste disposal facility records; removing provision that allows licensees to secure legal representation prior to interviews conducted by the Department; providing penalties for grossly inaccurate or fraudulent reports; authorizing the Department to issue orders without notice or hearing under certain circumstances; requiring compliance with provisions of order; affording opportunity to apply for a hearing after issuance of order; clarifying privacy requirements for handling records of patients and caregivers; deleting references to certain federal act; authorizing the Authority to contact recommending physicians of licensees; providing for licenses to be immediately voided without a hearing under certain circumstances; allowing patients to request the withdrawal of a caregiver license; directing withdrawal of caregiver license without a hearing under certain circumstances; directing certain facilities to keep transaction records and utilize seed-to-sale tracking system; deleting inventory tracking recordkeeping requirement; modifying certain business licensing requirement by including research, education and waste disposal facility applicants and licensees; requiring criminal history background checks for license renewals; deleting certain copy and digital

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image identification requirements; providing for the denial of business applications; updating statutory citations; prohibiting the issuance of research, education and waste disposal facility licenses to certain persons; removing requirement to consider additional information when considering criminal histories of business license applicants; clarifying manner by which the Department may seek administrative action against applicants or licensees; deleting exemption to certain compliance requirement; requiring research, education and waste disposal facility licensees to pay licensure fees prior to receiving license; providing late renewal fee for reinstatement of licenses; making fee nonrefundable; prohibiting reinstatement of certain expired licenses; prohibiting medical marijuana businesses, research, education and waste disposal facilities from operating without a valid, unexpired license; providing for the issuance of transporter licenses to certain entities; reducing transporter agent license fee; providing for the reprint of licenses without charge; stating fee for subsequent license reprints; modifying and deleting certain qualifications for issuing transporter agent registry identification cards; deleting certain inventory manifest prohibition; increasing amount of time inventory manifests and logs shall be maintained; removing authority ability of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority to develop research practices and methods; removing requirement that prohibits indirect beneficial owners from owning a laboratory; narrowing scope of testing laboratory licenses; requiring laboratory licensees to comply with application requirements; authorizing testing laboratories to accept samples from research and education facilities; allowing the testing of product to be conducted at quality assurance laboratories; directing the State Department of Health to develop standards and policies for validation procedures; specifying type of batches and samples that must be identified and tracked by an inventory tracking system; increasing amount of time required for testing laboratories to retain test results; removing test batch weight limitation; increasing number of inspections required for testing laboratories after licensure; authorizing additional investigations and inspections under certain circumstances; authorizing

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commercial growers to transfer certain product to processors under certain conditions; deleting certain labeling requirement; making payment of research license fees annual; clarifying application process requirements for medical marijuana education facility licenses; authorizing revocation of licenses for violations of applicable laws, rules and regulations; specifying the type of records and information that are considered confidential and exempt from the Oklahoma Open Records Act; authorizing the Department to share certain information with the Oklahoma Tax Commission; modifying name of entity that recommends rules to the State Commissioner of Health; authorizing the State Department of Health to appoint additional members to the Medical Marijuana Advisory Council; authorizing the Department to tag or mark medical marijuana and medical marijuana product under certain conditions; authorizing the Department to embargo medical marijuana and medical marijuana product; making the removal or disposal of embargoed medical marijuana and medical marijuana product without permission unlawful; allowing the State Commissioner of Health to institute actions in district court for the condemnation and destruction of embargoed medical marijuana and medical marijuana product that fails to meet certain requirements; providing for the removal of embargoed medical marijuana and medical marijuana product after certain determination by the Commissioner; providing exemption from liability; providing for the destruction of medical marijuana and medical marijuana product upon findings made by the court; requiring expenses associated with destruction, court costs and fees to be paid by owner or defendant; authorizing courts to order delivery of medical marijuana and medical marijuana product to owner or defendant under certain circumstances; directing expenses for supervision be paid to Commissioner by certain person; amending Sections 2, 3 and 4, Chapter 337, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Sections 428.1, 429 and 430), which relate to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Waste Management Act; modifying scope of certain definitions; authorizing the destruction of marijuana roots and stalks; deleting documentation requirements for entities that engage in the disposal of medical marijuana waste; removing requirement for entities to maintain disposal records for certain

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period of time; clarifying manner by which distance requirements shall be measured for waste disposal facilities; removing alternative financial assurance option; providing for the annual issuance of annual permits; modifying name of revolving fund; updating statutory citations; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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- BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
- 7 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, State Question No. 788,
- 8 | Initiative Petition No. 412, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter
- 9 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 420), is amended to
- 10 | read as follows:
- 11 Section 420. A. A person in possession of a state-issued
- 12 | medical marijuana license shall be able to:
- 13 | 1. Consume marijuana legally;
- 2. Legally possess up to three (3) ounces (84.9 grams) of
- 15 | marijuana on their person;
- 16 3. Legally possess six (6) mature marijuana plants;
- 4. Legally possess six (6) seedling plants;
- 18 5. Legally possess one (1) ounce (28.3 grams) of concentrated
- 19 | marijuana;
- 20 6. Legally possess seventy-two (72) ounces (2,037.6 grams) of
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- 7. Legally possess up to eight (8) ounces (226.4 grams) of
- 23 | marijuana in their residence.

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

- C. A regulatory office shall be established under the State Department of Health which shall receive applications for medical marijuana license recipients, dispensaries, growers, and packagers within sixty (60) days of the passage of this initiative.
- D. The State Department of Health shall within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available, on their website, in an easy to find location, an application for a medical marijuana license. The license shall be good for two (2) years. The <u>biannual</u> application fee shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or Twenty

Dollars (\$20.00) for individuals on Medicaid, Medicare or SoonerCare. The methods of payment shall be provided on the website.

- E. A temporary license application shall also be available on the website of the State Department of Health. A temporary medical marijuana license shall be granted to any medical marijuana license holder from other states, provided that the state has a state regulated medical marijuana program, and the applicant can prove he or she is a member of such. Temporary licenses shall be issued for thirty (30) days. The cost for a temporary license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Renewal will be granted with resubmission of a new application. No additional criteria shall be required.
- F. Medical marijuana license applicants shall submit his or her application to the State Department of Health for approval. The applicant must be a resident of Oklahoma and shall prove residency by a valid driver license, utility bills, or other accepted methods.
- G. The State Department of Health shall review the medical marijuana application, approve or, reject or deny the application, and mail the approval or, rejection or denial letter to the applicant stating any reasons for rejection or denial to the applicant within fourteen (14) business days of receipt of the application. Approved applicants shall be issued a medical marijuana license which will act as proof of his or her approved

- status. Applications may only be rejected <u>or denied</u> based on applicant not meeting stated criteria or improper completion of the application.
  - H. The State Department of Health shall only keep the following records for each approved medical license:
    - 1. A digital photograph of the license holder;
    - 2. The expiration date of the license;

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- 3. The county where the card was issued; and
- 4. A unique 24-character identification number assigned to the license.
- I. The State Department of Health shall make available, both on its website, and through a telephone verification system, an easy method to validate the authenticity of a medical marijuana license by the unique 24-character identification number.
- J. I. The State Department of Health shall ensure that all application medical marijuana patient and caregiver records and information are sealed to protect the privacy of medical marijuana license applicants.
- 20 caregivers of a medical marijuana license holder who is homebound.
  21 As provided in Section 11 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 427.11 of
  22 the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature this title, the
  23 caregiver license shall provide the caregiver the same rights as the
  24 medical marijuana patient licensee, including the ability to possess

marijuana, marijuana products and mature and immature plants pursuant to the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, but excluding the ability to use marijuana or marijuana products unless the caregiver has a medical marijuana patient license. Applicants for a caregiver license shall submit proof of the license status and homebound status of the medical marijuana license holder, that the caregiver is the designee of the medical marijuana license holder, that the caregiver is eighteen (18) years of age or older, and that the caregiver is an Oklahoma resident.

This shall be the only criteria for a caregiver license.

H. K. All applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. A special exception shall be granted to an applicant under the age of eighteen (18), however these applications must be signed by two (2) physicians and the parent or legal guardian of the applicant.

M. L. All applications for a medical marijuana license shall be signed by an Oklahoma physician. There are no qualifying conditions. A medical marijuana license must be recommended according to the accepted standards a reasonable and prudent physician would follow when recommending or approving any medication. No physician may be unduly stigmatized or harassed for signing a medical marijuana license application.

N. M. A medical marijuana patient who attempts to renew his or her license more than thirty (30) days after expiration of the

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by the Department to reinstate the license. Late renewal fees are

nonrefundable. A license that has been expired for more than ninety

(90) days shall not be reinstated.
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- $\underline{\text{N.}}$  Counties and cities may enact medical marijuana guidelines allowing medical marijuana license holders or caregivers to exceed the state limits set forth in subsection A of this section.
- 8 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, State Question No. 788,
  9 Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 421), is
  10 amended to read as follows:

Section 421. A. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall, within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available, on their its website, in an easy-to-find location, an application for a medical marijuana dispensary license. The application fee shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) and a. A method of payment will shall be provided on the website. Retail Dispensary applicants must all be Oklahoma state residents. Any entity applying for a retail dispensary license must be owned by an Oklahoma state resident and must be registered to do business in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall have two (2) weeks ninety (90) business days to review the application, approve of, reject or deny the application, and mail the approval/rejection approval, rejection or

denial letter (if rejected, stating reasons for rejection) stating
any reasons for rejection or denial to the applicant.

- B. The Oklahoma State Department of Health <u>must shall</u> approve all applications which meet the following criteria:
- 1. Applicant The applicant must be age twenty-five (25) years of age or older;
- 2. Any The applicant, applying as an individual, must show residency in the State of Oklahoma;
- 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 conduct business in the State of Oklahoma; and
  - 6. All applicants must disclose all ownership.
- 7. Applicant(s) Applicants with only a nonviolent felony conviction(s) conviction in the last two (2) years, any other felony conviction in the last five 5 (years) (5) years, inmates under the custody of the Department of Corrections, or any person currently incarcerated may shall not qualify for a medical marijuana dispensary license.
- C. Retailers will <u>Dispensaries shall</u> be required to complete a monthly sales report to the <del>Oklahoma</del> State Department of Health.

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This report will shall be due on the 15th fifteenth of each month and provide reporting on the previous month. This report will shall detail the weight of marijuana purchased at wholesale and the weight of marijuana sold to card holders, and account for any waste. The report will shall show total sales in dollars, tax collected in dollars, and tax due in dollars. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will shall have oversight and auditing responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana being grown is accounted for. A retailer will only be subject to a penalty if a gross discrepancy exists and cannot be explained. Penaltics for fraudulent reporting occurring within any 2 year time period will be an initial fine of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) (first) and revocation of licensing (second).
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D. Only a licensed medical marijuana retailer dispensary may conduct retail sales of marijuana, or marijuana derivatives in the form provided by licensed processors, and these products can only be sold to a licensed medical marijuana license holder patients or their caregiver licensed medical marijuana caregivers. Penalties for fraudulent sales occurring within any 2 year time period will be an initial fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) (first) and revocation of licensing (second).

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY Section 3, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 422), is amended to read as follows:

Section 422. A. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will shall, within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available, on their its website, in an easy-to-find location, an application for a commercial grower license. The application fee will shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) and.

The methods of payment will shall be provided on the website. The Oklahoma State Department of Health has two (2) weeks shall have ninety (90) business days to review the application, approve or, reject or deny the application, and mail the approval/rejection approval, rejection or denial letter (if rejected, stating reasons for rejection) stating reasons for the rejection or denial to the applicant.

- B. The Oklahoma State Department of Health must shall approve all applications which meet the following criteria:
- 1. Applicant The applicant must be age twenty-five (25) years of age or older;
- 2. Any The applicant, applying as an individual, must show residency in the State of Oklahoma;
- 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 conduct business in the State of Oklahoma; and
  - 6. All applicants must disclose all ownership.

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- 7. Applicant(s) Applicants with only a nonviolent felony conviction(s) conviction in the last two (2) years, any other felony conviction in the last five 5 (years) (5) years, inmates under the custody of the Department of Corrections, or any person currently incarcerated may shall not qualify for a commercial grower license.
- C. A licensed commercial grower may sell marijuana to a licensed retailer $_{\tau}$  or a licensed packager. Beginning November 1, 2020, licensed medical marijuana growers shall be authorized to package and sell to licensed medical marijuana dispensaries prerolled cigarettes containing pure flower only and no additives. Further, these sales will shall be considered wholesale sales and not subject to taxation. Under no circumstances may a licensed commercial grower sell marijuana directly to a licensed medical marijuana <del>license holder</del> patient. A licensed commercial grower may only sell at the wholesale level to a licensed retailer dispensary or a licensed processor. If the federal government lifts restrictions on buying and selling marijuana between states, then a licensed commercial grower would be allowed to sell and buy marijuana wholesale from, or to, an out of state wholesale provider. A licensed commercial grower will shall be required to complete a monthly yield and sales report to the Oklahoma State Department of

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

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- SECTION 4. AMENDATORY Section 4, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 423), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 423. A. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall, within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available, on their its website, in an easy-to-find location, an application for a medical marijuana processing license. The

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application fee shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars

($2,500.00) and methods. A method of payment will shall be provided

on the website. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall have

two (2) weeks ninety (90) business days to review the application,

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9 B. The Oklahoma State Department of Health must shall approve
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- 1. Applicant The applicant must be age twenty-five (25) years
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- 2. Any The applicant, applying as an individual, must show residency in the State of Oklahoma;
  - 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 conduct business in the State of Oklahoma; and
      - 6. All applicants must disclose all ownership.
- 7. Applicant(s) Applicants with only a nonviolent felony
  conviction(s) conviction in the last two (2) years, any other felony

conviction in the last five 5 (years) (5) years, inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections, or any person currently incarcerated may shall not qualify for a medical marijuana processing license.

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C. A licensed processor may take marijuana plants and distill or process these plants into concentrates, edibles, and other forms for consumption. As required by subsection D of this section, the Oklahoma State Department of Health will shall, within sixty (60) days of passage of this initiative, make available a set of standards which will shall be used by licensed processors in the preparation of edible marijuana products. This should be in line with current food preparation guidelines-and no. No excessive or punitive rules may be established by the Oklahoma State Department of Health. Once a year, the Oklahoma State Department of Health may inspect a processing operation and determine its compliance with the preparation standards. If deficiencies are found, a written report of deficiency will shall be issued to the processor. The processor will shall have one (1) month to correct the deficiency or be subject to a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each deficiency. A licensed processor may sell marijuana products it creates to a licensed retailer, dispensary or any other licensed processor. Further, these sales will shall be considered wholesale sales and not subject to taxation. Under no circumstances may a licensed processor sell marijuana, or any marijuana product,

1 directly to a licensed medical marijuana license holder patient. However, a licensed processor may process cannabis into a 2 concentrated form, for a licensed medical <del>license holder,</del> marijuana 3 4 patient for a fee. Processors will Licensed processors shall be 5 required to complete a monthly yield and sales report to the Oklahoma State Department of Health. This The report will shall be 6 7 due on the 15th fifteenth of each month and provide reporting on the previous month. This The report will shall detail the amount of 8 9 marijuana purchased in pounds, the amount of marijuana cooked or 10 processed in pounds, and the amount of waste in pounds. 11 Additionally, this the report will show total wholesale sales in 12 dollars. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will shall have 13 oversight and auditing responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana 14 being grown is accounted for. A licensed processor will only be 15 subject to a penalty if a gross discrepancy exists and cannot be 16 explained. Penalties for fraudulent reporting occurring within any 17 2 year time period will be an initial fine of Five Thousand Dollars 18 (\$5,000.00) (first) and revocation of licensing (second). 19 The Department shall oversee inspection and compliance of 20 processors producing products with marijuana as an additive. The 21 Oklahoma State Department of Health will shall be compelled to, 22 within thirty (30) days of passage of this initiative, appoint a

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board of twelve (12) Oklahoma residents to the Council, who are

marijuana industry experts, to create a list of food safety

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standards for processing and handling medical marijuana in Oklahoma.

These standards will shall be adopted by the agency and the agency

can enforce these standards for licensed processors. The agency

will shall develop a standards review procedure and these standards

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Oklahoma marijuana industry experts. A signed letter of twenty (20)

operating licensed processors would shall constitute a need for a
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E. If it becomes permissible, under federal law, marijuana may be moved across state lines.

new board council and standard standards review.

- F. Any device used for the consumption of medical marijuana shall be considered legal to be sold, manufactured, distributed, and possessed. No merchant, wholesaler, manufacturer, or individual may unduly be unduly harassed or prosecuted for selling, manufacturing, or possession of medical possessing marijuana paraphernalia.
- SECTION 5. AMENDATORY Section 6, State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 425), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 425. A. No school or landlord may refuse to enroll or lease to and may not otherwise penalize a person solely for his or her status as a medical marijuana license holder, unless failing to do so would cause the school or landlord the potential to lose a

monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations.

- B. Unless a failure to do so would cause an employer the potential to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations, an employer may not discriminate against a person in hiring, termination or imposing any term or condition of employment or otherwise penalize a person based upon either:
- 1. The status of the person as a medical marijuana license holder; or
- 2. Employers may take action against a holder of a medical marijuana license if the holder uses or possesses marijuana while in his or her place of employment or during the hours of employment. Employers may not take action against the holder of a medical marijuana license solely based upon the status of an employee as a medical marijuana license holder or the results of a drug test showing positive for marijuana or its components.
- C. For the purposes of medical care, including organ transplants, the authorized use of marijuana by a medical marijuana license holder shall be considered the equivalent of the use of any other medication under the direction of a physician and does not constitute the use of an illicit substance or otherwise disqualify a registered qualifying patient from medical care.
- D. No medical marijuana license holder may be denied custody of or visitation or parenting time with a minor, and there is no

presumption of neglect or child endangerment for conduct allowed under this law, unless the behavior of the person creates an unreasonable danger to the safety of the minor.

- E. No person holding a medical marijuana license may unduly be withheld from holding a state-issued license by virtue of their being a medical marijuana license holder including, but not limited to, a concealed carry permit.
- F. 1. No city or local municipality may unduly change or restrict zoning laws to prevent the opening of a retail marijuana establishment.
- 2. For purposes of this subsection, an undue change or restriction of municipal zoning laws means an act which entirely prevents retail marijuana establishments from operating within municipal boundaries as a matter of law. Municipalities may follow their standard planning and zoning procedures to determine if certain zones or districts would be appropriate for locating marijuana-licensed premises, medical marijuana businesses or any other premises where marijuana or its by-products are cultivated, grown, processed, stored or manufactured.
- 3. For purposes of this section, "retail marijuana establishment" means an entity licensed by the State Department of Health as a medical marijuana dispensary. Retail marijuana establishment does not include those other entities licensed by the Department as marijuana-licensed premises, medical marijuana

businesses or other facilities or locations where marijuana or any product containing marijuana or its by-products are cultivated, grown, processed, stored or manufactured.

- G. The location of any retail marijuana establishment is specifically prohibited within one thousand (1,000) three hundred (300) feet of any public or private school entrance. Upon the effective date of this act, the distance indicated in this subsection shall be measured from the nearest property line of the public or private school to the front entrance of the retail marijuana establishment. If any public or private school is established within three hundred (300) feet of any retail marijuana establishment after such retail marijuana establishment has been licensed, the provisions of this section shall not be a deterrent to the renewal of such license or warrant revocation of the license.
- H. Research shall be provided for under this law. A researcher may apply to the State Department of Health for a special research license. The license shall be granted, provided the applicant meets the criteria listed under subsection B of Section 421 of this title in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act.

  Research license holders shall be required to file monthly consumption reports to the State Department of Health with amounts of marijuana used for research.

1 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 509, O.S.L.

2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 426.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 426.1 A. Except for revocation hearings concerning licensed patients, as As defined in Section 2 427.2 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature this title, all licensure revocation hearings conducted pursuant to marijuana licenses established in the Oklahoma Statutes shall be recorded. A party may request a copy of the recording of the proceedings. Copies shall be provided to local law enforcement if the revocation was based on alleged criminal activity.

- B. The State Department of Health shall assist any law enforcement officer in the performance of his or her duties upon such request by the law enforcement officer or the request of other local officials having jurisdiction. Except for license information concerning licensed patients, as defined in Section 2 427.2 of Enrolled House Bill No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature this title, the Department shall share information with law enforcement agencies upon request without a subpoena or search warrant.
- C. The State Department of Health shall make available all information displayed on medical marijuana licenses, as well as whether or not the license is valid, to law enforcement

1 electronically through the Oklahoma Law Enforcement 2 Telecommunications System.

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- D. The Department shall make available to Oklahoma state agencies and political subdivisions a list of marijuana-licensed premises, medical marijuana businesses or any other premises where marijuana or its by-products are licensed to be cultivated, grown, processed, stored or manufactured to aid Oklahoma state, county and municipal governments in identifying locations within their jurisdiction and ensure ensuring compliance with local applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- E. All marijuana-licensed premises, medical marijuana 11 12 businesses or any other premises where marijuana or its by-products 13 are licensed to be cultivated, grown, processed, stored or 14 manufactured shall submit with their the application or request to 15 change location, after notifying the political subdivision of their 16 intent, a certificate of compliance from the political subdivision 17 where the facility or use of the applicant or use licensee is to be 18 located certifying compliance with zoning classifications, 19 applicable municipal ordinances and all applicable safety, 20 electrical, fire, plumbing, waste, construction and building 21 specification codes.
- 22 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
  23 2019, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 2019 (63
  24 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.2 As used in this act the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act:

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- 1. "Advertising" means the act of providing consideration for the publication, dissemination, solicitation, or circulation, of visual, oral, or written communication, to induce directly or indirectly any person to patronize a particular medical marijuana business, or to purchase particular medical marijuana or a medical marijuana product. Advertising includes marketing, but does not include packaging and labeling;
  - 2. "Authority" means the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority;
- 3. "Batch number" means a unique numeric or alphanumeric identifier assigned prior to testing to allow for inventory tracking and traceability;
- 4. "Cannabinoid" means any of the chemical compounds that are active principles of marijuana;
- 5. "Caregiver" means a family member or assistant who regularly looks after a medical marijuana license holder whom a physician attests needs assistance;
  - 6. "Child-resistant" means special packaging that is:
    - a. designed or constructed to be significantly difficult for children under five (5) years of age to open and not difficult for normal adults to use properly as defined by 16 C.F.R. 1700.15 (1995) and 16 C.F.R. 1700.20 (1995),

b. opaque so that the outermost packaging does not allow the product to be seen without opening the packaging material, and

- c. resealable to maintain its child-resistant effectiveness for multiple openings for any product intended for more than a single use or containing multiple servings;
- 7. "Clone" means a nonflowering plant cut from a mother plant that is capable of developing into a new plant and has shown no signs of flowering;
  - 8. "Commissioner" means the State Commissioner of Health;
- 9. "Complete application" means a document prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in this act, rules promulgated pursuant thereto, and the forms and instructions provided by the Department, including any supporting documentation required and the applicable license application fee;
  - 10. "Department" means the State Department of Health;
- 11. "Director" means the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority;
- 12. "Dispense" means the selling of medical marijuana or a medical marijuana product to a qualified patient or the designated caregiver of the patient that is packaged in a suitable container appropriately labeled for subsequent administration to or use by a qualifying patient;

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

- 14. "Edible medical marijuana product" means any medicalmarijuana-infused product for which the intended use is oral
  consumption including, but not limited to, any type of food, drink
  or pill;
- 15. "Entity" means an individual, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, trust, estate, association, corporation, cooperative, or any other legal or commercial entity;
- 16. "Flower" means the reproductive organs of the marijuana or cannabis plant referred to as the bud or parts of the plant that are harvested and used to consume in a variety of medical marijuana products;
- 17. "Flowering" means the reproductive state of the marijuana or cannabis plant in which there are physical signs of flower or budding out of the nodes of the stem;
- 18. "Food-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of propylene glycol,

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

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- 19. "Good cause" for purposes of an initial, renewal or reinstatement license application, or for purposes of discipline of a licensee, means:
  - a. the licensee or applicant has violated, does not meet,
    or has failed to comply with any of the terms,
    conditions or provisions of the act, any rules
    promulgated pursuant thereto, or any supplemental
    relevant state or local law, rule or regulation,
  - b. the licensee or applicant has failed to comply with

    any special terms or conditions that were placed upon

    the license pursuant to an order of the State

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    Authority or the municipality, or
  - c. the licensed premises of a medical marijuana business
    or applicant have been operated in a manner that
    adversely affects the public health or welfare or the
    safety of the immediate vicinity in which the
    establishment is located;

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

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

- 22. 21. "Heat- or pressure-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of heat or pressure;
- 23. 22. "Immature plant" means a nonflowering marijuana plant that has not demonstrated signs of flowering;
- 24. 23. "Inventory tracking system" means the required tracking system that accounts for the entire life span of medical marijuana, from either the seed or immature plant stage until the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product is sold to a patient at a medical marijuana dispensary, transferred to a medical marijuana research facility, consumed, used, disposed of or otherwise destroyed by a medical marijuana business or used in a research project by a medical marijuana research facility;
- 25. 24. "Licensed patient" or "patient" means a person who has been issued a medical marijuana patient license by the State

  Department of Health or Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority;
- 26. 25. "Licensed premises" means the premises specified in an application for a medical marijuana business license, medical marijuana research facility license or medical marijuana education facility license pursuant to this act that are owned or in possession of the licensee and within which the licensee is

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authorized to cultivate, manufacture, distribute, sell, store,

transport, test or research medical marijuana or medical marijuana

products in accordance with the provisions of this act and rules

promulgated pursuant thereto;
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- 27. 26. "Manufacture" means the production, propagation, compounding or processing of a medical marijuana product, excluding marijuana plants, either directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of natural or synthetic origin, or independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis;
- 28. 27. "Marijuana" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in Section 2-101 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title;
  - 29. 28. "Material change" means any change that would require a substantive revision to the standard operating procedures of a affect the qualifications for licensure of an applicant or licensee for the cultivation or production of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products;
  - 30. 29. "Mature plant" means a harvestable female marijuana plant that is flowering;
  - 31. 30. "Medical marijuana business (MMB)" means a licensed medical marijuana dispensary, medical marijuana processor, medical marijuana commercial grower, medical marijuana laboratory, medical marijuana business operator, or a medical marijuana transporter;

32. 31. "Medical marijuana concentrate" or "concentrate" means a specific subset of medical marijuana that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana. Categories of medical marijuana concentrate include water-based medical marijuana concentrate, food-based medical marijuana concentrate, solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate, and heat- or pressure-based medical marijuana concentrate;

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33. 32. "Medical marijuana commercial grower" or "commercial grower" means an entity licensed to cultivate, prepare and package medical marijuana, package medical marijuana as pre-rolls, and transfer or contract for transfer medical marijuana and medical marijuana pre-rolls to a medical marijuana dispensary, medical marijuana processor, any other medical marijuana commercial grower, medical marijuana research facility, and medical marijuana education facility and pesticide manufacturers. A commercial grower may sell seeds, flower or clones to commercial growers pursuant to this act; 34. 33. "Medical marijuana education facility" or "education facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to this act to operate a facility providing training and education to individuals involving the cultivation, growing, harvesting, curing, preparing, packaging or testing of medical marijuana, or the production, manufacture, extraction, processing, packaging or creation of medical-marijuana-infused products or medical marijuana products as described in this act;

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

- 36. 35. "Medical marijuana product" or "product" means a product that contains cannabinoids that have been extracted from plant material or the resin therefrom by physical or chemical means and is intended for administration to a qualified patient including, but not limited to, oils, tinctures, edibles, pills, topical forms, gels, creams, vapors, patches, liquids, and forms administered by a nebulizer, excluding live plant forms which are considered medical marijuana;
- 37. 36. "Medical marijuana processor" means a person or entity licensed pursuant to this act to operate a business including the production, manufacture, extraction, processing, packaging or creation of concentrate, medical-marijuana-infused products or medical marijuana products as described in this act;
- 38. 37. "Medical marijuana research facility" or "research facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to this act to conduct medical marijuana research. A medical marijuana research facility is not a medical marijuana business;
- 39. 38. "Medical marijuana testing laboratory" or "laboratory" means a public or private laboratory licensed pursuant to this act, to conduct testing and research on medical marijuana and medical marijuana products;

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

- 41. 40. "Medical marijuana waste" or "waste" means unused, surplus, returned or out-of-date marijuana, plant debris of the plant of the genus Cannabis, including dead plants and all unused plant parts and roots;
- 42. 41. "Medical use" means the acquisition, possession, use, delivery, transfer or transportation of medical marijuana, medical marijuana products, medical marijuana devices or paraphernalia relating to the administration of medical marijuana to treat a licensed patient;
- 43. 42. "Mother plant" means a marijuana plant that is grown or maintained for the purpose of generating clones, and that will not be used to produce plant material for sale to a medical marijuana processor or medical marijuana dispensary;
- 44. 43. "Oklahoma physician" or "physician" means a physician licensed by and in good standing with the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners or the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners;

1 45. 44. "Oklahoma resident" means an individual who can provide 2 proof of residency as required by this act; 46. 45. "Owner" means, except where the context otherwise 3 4 requires, a direct beneficial owner including, but not limited to, 5 all persons or entities as follows: 6 all shareholders owning an interest of a corporate a. 7 entity and all officers of a corporate entity, all partners of a general partnership, 8 b. 9 C. all general partners and all limited partners that own 10 an interest in a limited partnership, 11 all members that own an interest in a limited d. 12 liability company, 1.3 all beneficiaries that hold a beneficial interest in a е. 14 trust and all trustees of a trust, 15 f. all persons or entities that own interest in a joint

- venture,
- all persons or entities that own an interest in an q. association,
- the owners of any other type of legal entity, and h.
- i. any other person holding an interest or convertible note in any entity which owns, operates or manages a licensed facility;

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

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

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

## 50. 49. "Production batch" means:

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

standard operating procedures and the same production
batch of medical marijuana concentrate;

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

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

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

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

55. 54. "Remediation" means the process by which the medical marijuana flower or trim, which has failed microbial testing, is processed into solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate and a harvest batch or production batch that fails testing undergoes a procedure to remedy the harvest batch or production batch and is retested as required by this act in accordance with Oklahoma laws, rules and regulations;

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

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

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

59. 58. "Shipping container" means a hard-sided container with a lid or other enclosure that can be secured in place. A shipping container is used solely for the transport of medical marijuana,

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medical marijuana concentrate, or medical marijuana products between

medical marijuana businesses, a medical marijuana research facility, or a medical marijuana education facility;

- 60. 59. "Solvent-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from medical marijuana through the use of a solvent approved by the Department;
- 61. 60. "State Question" means Oklahoma State Question No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412, approved by a majority vote of the citizens of Oklahoma on June 26, 2018;
- 62. "Strain" means the classification of marijuana or cannabis plants in either pure sativa, indica, afghanica, ruderalis or hybrid varieties;
- 63. 61. "THC" means tetrahydrocannabinol, which is the primary psychotropic cannabinoid in marijuana formed by decarboxylation of naturally tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, which generally occurs by exposure to heat;
- 64. "Test batch" means with regard to usable marijuana, a homogenous, identified quantity of usable marijuana by strain, no greater than ten (10) pounds, that is harvested during a seven-day period from a specified cultivation area, and with regard to oils, vapors and waxes derived from usable marijuana, means an identified quantity that is uniform, that is intended to meet specifications for identity, strength and composition, and that is manufactured,

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packaged and labeled during a specified time period according to a
single manufacturing, packaging and labeling protocol;
    65. 62. "Transporter agent" means a person who transports
medical marijuana or medical marijuana products for a licensed
transporter and holds a transporter agent license pursuant to this
act;
    66. 63. "Universal symbol" means the image established by the
State Department of Health or Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority
and made available to licensees through its website indicating that
the medical marijuana or the medical marijuana product contains THC;
    67. 64. "Usable marijuana" means the dried leaves, flowers,
oils, vapors, waxes and other portions of the marijuana plant and
any mixture or preparation thereof, excluding seed seeds, roots and
stalks; and
             "Water-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a
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concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids from
medical marijuana through the use of only water, ice, or dry ice.
    SECTION 8.
                   AMENDATORY
                                  Section 3, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
2019, as amended by Section 6, Chapter 477, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S.
Supp. 2019, Section 427.3), is amended to read as follows:
    Section 427.3 A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Medical
Marijuana Authority within the State Department of Health which
shall address issues related to the medical marijuana program in
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Oklahoma including, but not limited to, the issuance of patient

- licenses and medical marijuana business licenses, and the
  dispensing, cultivating, processing, testing, transporting, storage,
  research, and the use of and sale of medical marijuana pursuant to
  this act.
  - 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.

- C. The Department shall implement the provisions of this act consistently with the voter-approved State Question No. 788,

  Initiative Petition No. 412, subject to the provisions of this act.
- D. The Department shall exercise its respective powers and perform its respective duties and functions as specified in this act and Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title including, but not limited to, the following:
- 1. 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:
  - a. public health policy and public safety policy,
  - b. agronomic and horticultural best practices, and
  - c. medical and pharmacopoeia best practices;
- 2. Contract with third-party vendors and other governmental entities in order to carry out the respective duties and functions as specified in this act;

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

- 4. Issue subpoenas for the appearance or production of persons, records and things in connection with disciplinary or contested cases considered by the Department;
- 5. Apply for injunctive or declaratory relief to enforce the provisions of this section and any applicable laws, rules promulgated pursuant to this section and regulations;
- 6. Inspect and examine, with notice provided in accordance with this act, all licensed premises of medical marijuana businesses, research facilities and, education facilities and waste disposal facilities in which medical marijuana is cultivated, manufactured, sold, stored, transported, tested or disposed;
- 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. Establish internal control procedures for licenses including accounting procedures, reporting procedures and personnel policies;
- 9. Establish a fee schedule and collect fees for performing background checks as the Commissioner deems appropriate. The fees

charged pursuant to this paragraph shall not exceed the actual cost incurred for each background check; and

- 10. Require verification for sources of finance for medical marijuana businesses Establish a fee schedule and collect fees for material changes requested by the licensee.
- SECTION 9. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019

  (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.4), is amended to read as follows:

  Section 427.4 A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority, in

  conjunction with the State Department of Health, shall employ an

  Executive Director and other personnel as necessary to assist the
  - B. The Authority shall not employ an individual if any of the following circumstances exist:
    - 1. The individual has a direct or indirect interest in a licensed medical marijuana business; or

Authority in carrying out its duties.

- 2. The individual or his or her spouse, parent, child, spouse of a child, sibling, or spouse of a sibling has an application for a medical marijuana business license pending before the Department or is a member of the board of directors of a medical marijuana business, or is an individual financially interested in any licensee or medical marijuana business.
- 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 Commissioner may delegate to any officer or employee of the Department any of the powers of the Executive Director and may designate any officer or employee of the Department to perform any of the duties of the Executive Director.

- E. The Executive Director shall be authorized to suggest rules governing the oversight and implementation of this act.
- F. The Department is hereby authorized to create employment positions necessary for the implementation of its obligations pursuant to this act, including but not limited to Authority investigators and a senior director of enforcement. The Department and the Authority, the senior director of enforcement, the Executive Director, and Department investigators shall have all the powers of any peace officer to:
- Investigate violations or suspected violations of this act and any rules promulgated pursuant thereto;
- 2. Serve all warrants, summonses, subpoenas, administrative citations, notices or other processes relating to the enforcement of laws regulating medical marijuana, concentrate, and medical marijuana product;
- 3. Assist or aid 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;
- 4. Require any business <u>applicant or</u> licensee, <del>upon twenty-four</del> (24) hours notice or upon a showing of necessity, to permit an

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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
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examination of medical marijuana, concentrate, or product; and

- 5. Require applicants <u>and licensees</u> to submit complete and current applications, <u>submit</u> information <u>and fees</u> required by <u>this</u> act and fees, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Waste Management Act, and approve material changes made by the applicant or licensee.
- 10 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY Section 6, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
  11 2019, as amended by Section 7, Chapter 477, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S.
- 12 Supp. 2019, Section 427.6), is amended to read as follows:

- Section 427.6 A. The State Department of Health shall address issues related to the medical marijuana program in Oklahoma including, but not limited to, monitoring and disciplinary actions as they relate to the medical marijuana program.
- B. 1. The Department or its designee may perform on-site assessments inspections or investigations of a licensee or applicant for any medical marijuana business license issued pursuant to this act, research facility, education facility or waste disposal facility to determine compliance with this act applicable laws, rules and regulations or submissions made pursuant to this section. The Department may enter the licensed premises of a medical marijuana business licensee or applicant, research facility,

education facility or waste disposal facility to assess or monitor compliance or ensure qualifications for licensure.

- 2. Inspections Post-licensure inspections shall be limited to twice per calendar year and twenty-four (24) hours of notice shall be provided to a medical marijuana business applicant or licensee prior to an on-site assessment. However, investigations and additional inspections may occur when the Department shows that believes an investigation or additional inspection is necessary due to a possible violation of this act the applicable laws, rules or regulations. Such inspection may be without notice if the Department believes that such notice will result in the destruction of evidence.
- 3. The Department may review relevant records of a licensed medical marijuana business, licensed medical marijuana research facility or, licensed medical marijuana education facility or licensed medical marijuana waste disposal facility, and may require and conduct interviews with such persons or entities and persons affiliated with such entities, for the purpose of determining compliance with Department requirements and applicable laws. However, prior to conducting any interviews with the medical marijuana business, research facility or education facility, the licensee shall be afforded sufficient time to secure legal representation during such questioning if requested by the business or facility or any of its agents or employees or contractors.

4. The Department shall refer complaints alleging criminal activity that are made against a licensee to appropriate Oklahoma state or local law enforcement authorities.

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- C. Disciplinary action may be taken against an applicant or licensee under this act for not adhering to the law applicable laws pursuant to the terms, conditions and guidelines set forth in this act.
- D. Disciplinary actions may include revocation, suspension or denial of an application, license or final authorization and other action deemed appropriate by the Department.
- E. Disciplinary actions may be imposed upon a medical marijuana business licensee for:
- 1. Failure to comply with or satisfy any provision of this section applicable laws, rules or regulations;
- 2. Falsification or misrepresentation of any material or information submitted to the Department;
- 3. Failing to allow or impeding a monitoring visit entry by authorized representatives of the Department;
- 4. Failure to adhere to any acknowledgement, verification or other representation made to the Department;
- 5. Failure to submit or disclose information required by this section applicable laws, rules or regulations or as otherwise requested by the Department;

- 6. Failure to correct any violation of this section cited as a result of a review or audit of financial records or other materials;
- 7. Failure to comply with requested access by the Department to the licensed premises or materials;
  - 8. Failure to pay a required monetary penalty;

- 9. Diversion of medical marijuana or any medical marijuana product, as determined by the Department;
- 10. Threatening or harming a patient, a medical practitioner or an employee of the Department; and
- 11. Any other basis indicating a violation of the applicable laws and regulations as identified by the Department.
- F. Disciplinary actions against a licensee may include the imposition of monetary penalties, which may be assessed by the Department.
- G. Penalties for sales or purchases by a medical marijuana business to persons other than those allowed by law occurring within any two-year time period may include an initial fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for a first violation and a fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for any subsequent violation.

  Penalties for grossly inaccurate or fraudulent reporting occurring within any two-year time period may include an initial fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for a first violation and a fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for any subsequent violations.

  The medical marijuana business may be subject to a revocation of any

license granted pursuant to this act upon a showing that the violation was willful or grossly negligent.

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- H. 1. First offense for intentional and impermissible diversion of medical marijuana, concentrate, or products by a patient or caregiver to an unauthorized person shall not be punished under a criminal statute but may be subject to a fine of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).
- 2. The second offense for impermissible diversion of medical marijuana, concentrate, or products by a patient or caregiver to an unauthorized person shall not be punished under a criminal statute but may be subject to a fine of not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and may result in revocation of the license upon a showing that the violation was willful or grossly negligent.
- I. The following persons or entities may request a hearing to contest an action or proposed action of the Department:
- 1. A medical marijuana business, research facility or education facility licensee whose license has been summarily suspended or who has received a notice of contemplated action to suspend or revoke a license or take other disciplinary action; and
- 2. A patient or caregiver licensee whose license has been summarily suspended or who has received notice of contemplated action to suspend or revoke a license or take other disciplinary action.

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   requiring immediate action in order to protect the public health or
   welfare, the Department may issue an order, without notice or
   hearing, stating the existence of said emergency and requiring that
   action be taken as the Department deems necessary to meet the
   emergency. The order shall be effective immediately upon issuance.
   Any person to whom the order is directed shall comply immediately
   with the provisions of the order but, upon application to the
   Department, shall be offered a hearing within ten (10) days of the
   issuance of the order. On the basis of said hearing, the Department
   shall continue the order in effect, revoke or modify the order.
       K. All hearings held pursuant to this section shall be in
   accordance with the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, Section
   250 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
       SECTION 11.
                      AMENDATORY
                                      Section 7, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
   2019, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S.
   Supp. 2019, Section 427.7), is amended to read as follows:
       Section 427.7 A. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority
   shall create a medical marijuana use registry of patients and
   caregivers as provided under this section. The handling of any
   records maintained in the registry shall comply with all relevant
   applicable state and federal privacy laws including, but not limited
   to, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996
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- B. The medical marijuana use registry shall be accessible to:
- 1. Oklahoma-licensed medical marijuana dispensaries to verify the license of a patient or caregiver by the twenty-four-character identifier; and
  - 2. Any court in this state.
- C. All other records regarding a medical marijuana <u>patient</u> licensee shall be maintained by the Authority and shall be deemed confidential. The handling of any records maintained by the Authority shall comply with all <u>relevant applicable</u> state and federal <u>privacy</u> laws <u>including</u>, but not limited to, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). Such records shall be marked as confidential, shall not be made available to the public, and shall only be made available to the licensee, designee of the licensee, any physician of the licensee or the caregiver of the licensee.
- D. A log shall be kept with the file of the licensee to record any event in which the records of the licensee were made available and to whom the records were provided.
- E. The Department shall ensure that all application medical marijuana patient and caregiver records and information are sealed to protect the privacy of medical marijuana patient license applicants and licensees.

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        Section 427.9 A. The Authority may contact the recommending
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veteran as determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and codified at 38 C.F.R., Section 3.340(a)(2013) shall pay a reduced biannual application fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00). The methods of payment, as determined by the Authority, shall be provided on the website. However, the Authority shall ensure that all applicants have an option to submit the license application and payment by means other than solely by submission of the application and fee online.

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C. The <u>medical marijuana</u> patient license shall be valid for up to two (2) years from the date of issuance, unless the recommendation of the physician is terminated pursuant to this act Section 427.10 of this title or revoked by the Department.

22 SECTION 13. AMENDATORY Section 10, Chapter 11, O.S.L.

23 | 2019, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S.

Supp. 2019, Section 427.10), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.10 A. Only licensed Oklahoma allopathic, osteopathic and podiatric physicians may provide a medical marijuana recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license under this act.

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- B. A physician who has not completed his or her first residency shall not meet the definition of "physician" under this section and any recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license shall not be processed by the Authority.
- C. No physician shall be subject to arrest, prosecution or penalty in any manner or denied any right or privilege under Oklahoma state, municipal or county statute, ordinance or resolution, including without limitation a civil penalty or disciplinary action by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision or, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners or the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or by any other business, occupation or professional licensing board or bureau, solely for providing a medical marijuana recommendation for a patient or for monitoring, treating or prescribing scheduled medication to patients who are medical marijuana licensees. The provisions of this subsection shall not prevent the relevant professional licensing boards from sanctioning a physician for failing to properly evaluate the medical condition of a patient or for otherwise violating the applicable physician-patient standard of care.

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

- E. If the physician determines the continued use of medical marijuana by the patient no longer meets the requirements set forth in this act, the physician shall notify the Department and the Authority shall immediately revoke the license shall be immediately voided without a right to an individual hearing.
- 8 SECTION 14. AMENDATORY Section 11, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 9 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.11), is amended to read as 10 follows:
  - Section 427.11 A. The caregiver license shall provide the caregiver the same rights as the medical marijuana patient licensee, including the ability to possess marijuana, marijuana products, and mature and immature plants pursuant to this act, but excluding the ability to use marijuana or marijuana products unless the caregiver has a medical marijuana patient license. Caregivers shall be authorized to deliver marijuana and products to their authorized patients. Caregivers shall be authorized to possess medical marijuana and medical marijuana products up to the sum of the possession limits for the patients under his or her care pursuant to this act.
  - B. An individual caregiver shall be limited to exercising the marijuana cultivation rights of no more than five licensed patients as prescribed by this act.

C. The license of a caregiver shall not extend beyond the expiration date of the underlying patient license regardless of the issue date.

- D. A medical marijuana patient licensee may request, at any time, to withdraw his or her caregiver license. In the event that such a request is made or upon the expiration of the license of the patient, the caregiver license shall be immediately withdrawn by the Department without a right to a hearing.
- 9 SECTION 15. AMENDATORY Section 13, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
  10 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.13), is amended to read as
  11 follows:
  - Section 427.13 A. All medical marijuana and medical marijuana products shall be purchased solely from an Oklahoma-licensed medical marijuana business, and shall not be purchased from any out-of-state providers.
  - B. 1. The Authority shall have oversight and auditing responsibilities to ensure that all marijuana being grown in Oklahoma is accounted for and shall implement an inventory tracking system. Pursuant to these duties, the Authority shall require that each medical marijuana business, research facility, education facility and waste disposal facility keep records for every transaction with another medical marijuana business, patient or caregiver. Inventory shall be tracked and updated after each individual sale and reported to the Authority.

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

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- a. notification of when marijuana seeds are planted,
- b. notification of when marijuana plants are harvested and destroyed,
- c. notification of when marijuana is transported, sold, stolen, diverted or lost,
- d. a complete inventory of all marijuana, seeds, plant tissue, clones, plants, usable marijuana or trim, leaves and other plant matter, batches of extract, and marijuana concentrates,
- e. all samples sent to a testing laboratory, an unused portion of a sample returned to a licensee, all samples utilized by licensee for purposes of negotiating a sale, and
- f. all samples used for quality testing by a licensee.
- 3. Each medical marijuana business, research facility, education facility and waste disposal facility shall use a seed-to-sale tracking system or integrate its own seed-to-sale tracking system with the seed-to-sale tracking system established by the Authority.
- 4. These records shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1 the name and license number of the medical marijuana 2 business that cultivated, manufactured or sold the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product, 3 the address and phone number of the medical marijuana 4 b. 5 business that cultivated, manufactured or sold the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product, 6 7 C. the type of product received during the transaction, d. the batch number of the marijuana plant used, 8 9 e. the date of the transaction, 10 f. the total spent in dollars, 11 g. all point-of-sale records, 12 h. marijuana excise tax records, and 1.3 i. any additional information as may be reasonably 14 required by the Department. 15 5. All inventory tracking records containing patient 16 information shall comply with all relevant state and federal laws 17 including, but not limited to, the Health Insurance Portability and 18 Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), and shall not be retained by any 19 medical marijuana business for more than sixty (60) days. 20 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY Section 14, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 21 2019, as amended by Section 6, Chapter 509, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. 22 Supp. 2019, Section 427.14), is amended to read as follows: 23

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

- 1. Medical marijuana commercial grower;
- 2. Medical marijuana processor;

- 3. Medical marijuana dispensary;
- 4. Medical marijuana transporter; and
- 5. Medical marijuana testing laboratory.
- B. The Authority, with the aid of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, shall develop a website for medical marijuana business applications.
- C. The Authority shall make available on its website or the website of the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority in an easy-to-find location, applications for a medical marijuana business.
- D. The <u>annual</u> nonrefundable application fee for a medical marijuana business license shall be Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).
- E. All applicants seeking licensure or licensure renewal as a medical marijuana business shall comply with the following general requirements:
- 1. All applications for licenses and registrations authorized pursuant to this section shall be made upon forms prescribed by the Authority;

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

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- 3. Applicants shall submit a complete application to the Department before the application may be accepted or considered;
- 4. All applications shall be complete and accurate in every detail;
- 5. All applications shall include all attachments or supplemental information required by the forms supplied by the Authority;
- 6. All applications shall be accompanied by a full remittance for the whole amount of the application fees. Application fees are nonrefundable;
- 7. All applicants shall be approved for licensing review that, at a minimum, meets the following criteria:
  - a. all applicants shall be age twenty-five (25) years of age or older,
  - b. any applicant applying as an individual shall show proof that the applicant is an Oklahoma resident pursuant to paragraph 11 of this subsection,
  - c. any applicant applying as an entity shall show that seventy-five percent (75%) of all members, managers, executive officers, partners, board members or any

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

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- d. all applying individuals or entities shall be registered to conduct business in the State of Oklahoma,
- e. all applicants shall disclose all ownership interests pursuant to this act, and
- f. medical marijuana business, research facility,

  education facility and waste disposal facility

  applicants and licensees shall not have been convicted

  of a nonviolent felony in the last two (2) years, and

  any other felony conviction within the last five (5)

  years, shall not be current inmates, or currently

  incarcerated in a jail or corrections facility;
- 8. There shall be no limit to the number of medical marijuana business licenses or categories that an individual or entity can apply for or receive, although each application and each category shall require a separate application and application fee. A commercial grower, processor and dispensary, or any combination thereof, are authorized to share the same address or physical location, subject to the restrictions set forth in this act;
- 9. All applicants for a medical marijuana business license, research facility license or education facility license authorized by this act or the renewal of such license shall undergo an Oklahoma

criminal history background check conducted by the Oklahoma State

Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) within thirty (30) days prior to the

application for the license, including:

- a. individual applicants applying on their own behalf,
- b. individuals applying on behalf of an entity,
- c. all principal officers of an entity, and

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- d. all owners of an entity as defined by this act;
- 10. All applicable fees charged by OSBI are the responsibility of the applicant and shall not be higher than fees charged to any other person or industry for such background checks;
- 11. In order to be considered an Oklahoma resident for purposes of a medical marijuana business application, all applicants shall provide proof of Oklahoma residency for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the date of application or five (5) years of continuous Oklahoma residency during the preceding twenty-five (25) years immediately preceding the date of application. Sufficient documentation of proof of residency shall include a combination of the following:
  - a. an unexpired Oklahoma-issued driver license,
  - b. an Oklahoma voter identification card,
  - c. a utility bill preceding the date of application, excluding cellular telephone and Internet bills,
  - d. a residential property deed to property in the State of Oklahoma, and

e. a rental agreement preceding the date of application for residential property located in the State of Oklahoma;

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- 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 2-202 2-302 through 2-204 2-304 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title;
- 13. All applicants shall establish their identity through submission of a color copy or digital image of one of the following unexpired documents:
  - a. front and back of an Oklahoma driver license,
  - b. front and back of an Oklahoma identification card,
  - c. a United States passport or other photo identification issued by the United States government,  $\underline{\text{or}}$
  - d. certified copy of the applicant's birth certificate

    for minor applicants who do not possess a document

    listed in this section, or
  - e. a tribal identification card approved for identification purposes by the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety; and
  - 14. All applicants shall submit an applicant photograph.
- F. The Authority shall review the medical marijuana business application, approve  $\frac{\partial F_{i}}{\partial t}$  reject  $\frac{\partial F_{i}}{\partial t}$  the application and mail the

approval, rejection, denial or status-update letter to the applicant within ninety (90) days of receipt of the application.

- G. 1. The Authority shall review the medical marijuana business applications and conduct all investigations, inspections and interviews before approving the application.
- 2. Approved applicants shall be issued a medical marijuana business license for the specific category applied under which shall act as proof of their approved status. Rejection and denial letters shall provide a reason for the rejection or denial. Applications may only be rejected or denied based on the applicant not meeting the standards set forth in the provisions of this section the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and Sections 420 through 426.1 of this title, improper completion of the application, or for a reason provided for in this act the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and Sections 420 through 426.1 of this title. If an application is rejected or denied for failure to provide required information, the applicant shall have thirty (30) days to submit the required information for reconsideration. No additional application fee shall be charged for such reconsideration.
- 3. Status-update letters shall provide a reason for delay in either approval er, 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 Department.

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- H. A medical marijuana business, research facility, education facility or waste disposal facility license shall not be issued to or held by:
  - 1. A person until all required fees have been paid;
- 2. A person who has been convicted of a nonviolent felony within two (2) years of the date of application, or within five (5) years for any other felony;
- 3. A corporation, if the criminal history of any of its officers, directors or stockholders indicates that the officer, director or stockholder has been convicted of a nonviolent felony within two (2) years of the date of application, or within five (5) years for any other felony;
  - 4. A person under twenty-five (25) years of age;
- 5. A person licensed pursuant to this section who, during a period of licensure, or who, at the time of application, has failed to:
  - 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;

- 6. A sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer or prosecuting officer, or an officer or employee of the Authority or municipality;
- 7. A person whose authority to be a caregiver as defined in this act has been revoked by the Department; or
- 8. A publicly traded company person who was involved in the management or operations of any medical marijuana business, research facility, education facility or waste disposal facility that has had a medical marijuana business license revoked by the Department at any time during the five (5) years preceding submission of the application.
- I. In investigating the qualifications of an applicant or a licensee, the Department, 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. In the event the Department considers the criminal history record of the applicant, the Department shall also consider any information provided by the applicant regarding such criminal history record, including but not limited to evidence of rehabilitation, character references and educational achievements, especially those items pertaining to the period of time between the last criminal conviction of the applicant and the consideration of the application for a state license.

- J. The failure of an applicant <u>or licensee</u> to provide the requested information by the Authority deadline may be grounds for denial of the application.
- K. All applicants <u>and licensees</u> shall submit information to the Department and Authority in a full, faithful, truthful and fair manner. The Department and Authority may recommend denial of an application where the applicant <u>or licensee</u> made misstatements, omissions, misrepresentations or untruths in the application or in connection with the background investigation of the applicant. This type of conduct may be <del>considered as the basis</del> grounds for additional administrative action against the applicant <u>or licensee</u>. Typos and scrivener errors shall not be grounds for denial.
- L. A licensed medical marijuana business premises shall be subject to and responsible for compliance with applicable provisions for medical marijuana business facilities 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 the Authority or municipality.
- M. All medical marijuana business, research facility, education facility and waste disposal facility licensees shall pay the relevant licensure fees prior to receiving licensure to operate a medical marijuana business, as defined in this act for each class of license.

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N. A medical marijuana business, research facility, education

facility or waste disposal facility that attempts to renew its

license more than thirty (30) days after expiration of the license

shall pay a late renewal fee in an amount to be determined by the

Department to reinstate the license. Late renewal fees are

nonrefundable. A license that has been expired for more than ninety
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- O. No medical marijuana business, research facility, education facility or waste disposal facility shall operate without a valid, unexpired license issued by the Department.
- 11 SECTION 17. AMENDATORY Section 16, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
  12 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.16), is amended to read as
  13 follows:

(90) days shall not be reinstated.

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- Section 427.16 A. There is hereby created a medical marijuana transporter license as a category of the medical marijuana business license.
- B. Pursuant to Section 424 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes

  this title, the Authority shall issue a medical marijuana

  transporter license to licensed medical marijuana commercial

  growers, processors and dispensaries upon issuance of such licenses

  and upon each renewal. Transporter licenses shall also be issued to

  licensed research facilities, education facilities and testing

  laboratories upon issuance of such licenses and upon each renewal.

C. A medical marijuana transporter license may also be issued to qualifying applicants who are registered with the Oklahoma Secretary of State and otherwise meet the requirements for a medical marijuana business license set forth in this act and the requirements set forth in this section to provide logistics, distribution and storage of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana products.

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- 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 responsible for all medical marijuana, concentrate and products once the transporter takes control of the product.
- E. A transporter license shall be required for any person or entity to transport or transfer medical marijuana, concentrate or product 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 with multiple licensed medical marijuana businesses.
- G. A medical marijuana transporter may maintain a licensed premises to temporarily store medical marijuana, concentrate and products and to use as a centralized distribution point. A medical marijuana transporter may store and distribute medical marijuana,

1 concentrate and products from the licensed premises. The licensed
2 premises shall meet all security requirements applicable to a
3 medical marijuana business.

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- H. A medical marijuana transporter licensee shall use the seed-to-sale tracking system developed pursuant to this act to create shipping manifests documenting the transport of medical marijuana, concentrate and products throughout the state.
- I. A licensed medical marijuana transporter may maintain and operate one or more warehouses in the state to handle medical marijuana, concentrate and products.
- J. All medical marijuana, concentrate and product shall be transported:
- 13 1. In vehicles equipped with Global Positioning System (GPS)
  14 trackers:
  - 2. In a locked container and clearly labeled "Medical Marijuana or Derivative"; and
  - 3. In a secured area of the vehicle that is not accessible by the driver during transit.
- K. A transporter agent may possess marijuana at any location
  while the transporter agent is transferring marijuana to or from a
  licensed medical marijuana business, medical marijuana research
  facility or medical marijuana education facility. The Department
  shall administer and enforce the provisions of this section
  concerning transportation.

- 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 or product.
- M. The annual fee for a transporter agent license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) and shall be paid by the transporter license holder or the individual applicant.

  One license reprint within the licensure period shall be granted free of charge. All subsequent license reprints shall incur a fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).
- N. The Authority shall issue each transporter agent a registry identification card within thirty (30) days of receipt of:
  - 1. The name, address and date of birth of the person;
- 2. Proof of <u>current Oklahoma</u> residency <del>as required for a</del> medical marijuana business license;
  - 3. Proof of identity as required for a medical marijuana business license;
    - 4. Possession of a valid Oklahoma driver license;
    - 5. Verification of employment with a licensed transporter; and
    - 6. The application and affiliated fee; and
- 7. A criminal background check conducted by the Oklahoma State
  Bureau of Investigation, paid for by the applicant.

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

- 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 Department 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.
- R. The Department may revoke or suspend the transporter license of a transporter that the Department determines knowingly aided or facilitated a violation of any provision of this section, and the licenseholder is subject to any other penalties established in law for the violation.
- S. Vehicles used in the transport of medical marijuana or medical marijuana product shall be:
  - 1. Insured at or above the legal requirements in Oklahoma;
  - 2. Capable of securing medical marijuana during transport; and
- 3. In possession of a shipping container as defined in this act capable of securing all transported product.
- T. Prior to the transport of any medical marijuana or products, an inventory manifest shall be prepared at the origination point of

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- a. the licensee number for the commercial grower, processor or dispensary,
- b. address of origination of transport, and
- c. name and contact information for the originating
   licensee;
- 2. For the end recipient license holder of the medical marijuana:
  - a. the license number for the dispensary, commercial grower, processor, research facility or education facility destination,
  - b. address of the destination, and
  - c. name and contact information for the destination licensee;
- 3. Quantities by weight or unit of each type of medical marijuana product contained in transport;
- 4. The date of the transport and the approximate time of departure;
  - 5. The arrival date and estimated time of arrival;
- 22 6. Printed names and signatures of the personnel accompanying 23 the transport; and
  - 7. Notation of the transporting licensee.

U. 1. A separate inventory manifest shall be prepared for each 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. An inventory manifest shall not be altered after departing the originating premises other than in cases where the printed name and signature of receipt by the receiving licensee is necessary.
- 4. A receiving licensee shall refuse to accept any medical marijuana or product that is not accompanied by an inventory manifest.
- 5. 4. Originating and receiving licensees shall maintain copies of inventory manifests and logs of quantities of medical marijuana received for three (3) seven (7) years from date of receipt.
- 16 SECTION 18. AMENDATORY Section 17, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
- 17 2019, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S.
- 18 Supp. 2019, Section 427.17), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 427.17 A. There is hereby created a medical marijuana 20 testing laboratory license as a category of the medical marijuana 21 business license. The Authority is hereby enabled to monitor,
- 22 inspect and audit a licensed testing laboratory under this act.
  - The Authority is hereby authorized to contract with a В. private laboratory for the purpose of conducting compliance testing

of medical marijuana testing laboratories licensed in this state.

Any such laboratory under contract for compliance testing shall be prohibited from conducting any other commercial medical marijuana testing in this state.

- C. The Authority shall have the authority to develop acceptable testing and research practices, including, but not limited to, testing, standards, quality control analysis, equipment certification and calibration, and chemical identification and substances used in bona fide research methods so long as it complies with this act.
- D. A person who is a direct beneficial owner or an indirect 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.
- F. A separate license shall be required for each specific laboratory.
- G. A medical marijuana testing laboratory license may be issued to a person who performs testing and research on medical marijuana and medical marijuana products for medical marijuana businesses, medical marijuana research facilities, medical marijuana education facilities, and testing and research on marijuana and marijuana

products grown or produced by a patient or caregiver on behalf of a patient, upon verification of registration. No state-approved medical marijuana testing facility shall operate unless a medical laboratory director is on site during operational hours.

- H. A laboratory applicant 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.
- I. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may accept samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product from a medical marijuana business, research facility or education facility for testing and research purposes only, which purposes may include the provision of testing services for samples submitted by a medical marijuana business for product development. The Department may require a medical marijuana business to submit a sample of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product to a medical marijuana testing or quality assurance laboratory upon demand.
- 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:

1. The individual person is a patient or caregiver pursuant to this act or is a participant in an approved clinical or observational study conducted by a research facility; and

- 2. The medical marijuana testing laboratory shall require the patient or caregiver to produce a valid patient license and current and valid photo identification.
- K. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may transfer samples to another medical marijuana testing laboratory for testing. All laboratory reports provided to or by a medical marijuana business or to a patient or caregiver shall identify the medical marijuana testing laboratory that actually conducted the test.
- L. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may utilize a licensed medical marijuana transporter to transport samples of medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana product for testing, in accordance with this act and the rules adopted pursuant thereto, between the originating medical marijuana business requesting testing services and the destination laboratory performing testing services.
- M. The medical marijuana testing laboratory shall establish policies to prevent the existence of or appearance of undue commercial, financial or other influences that may diminish the competency, impartiality and integrity of the testing processes or results of the laboratory, or that may diminish public confidence in the competency, impartiality and integrity of the testing processes

- or results of the laboratory. At a minimum, employees, owners or agents of a medical marijuana testing laboratory who participate in any aspect of the analysis and results of a sample are prohibited from improperly influencing the testing process, improperly manipulating data, or improperly benefiting from any ongoing financial, employment, personal or business relationship with the medical marijuana business that provided the sample.
  - N. The Department, pursuant to rules promulgated by the State Commissioner of Health, shall develop standards, policies and procedures as necessary for:

- 1. The cleanliness and orderliness of a laboratory premises and the location of the laboratory in a secure location, and inspection, cleaning and maintenance of any equipment or utensils used for the analysis of test samples;
- 2. Testing procedures, testing standards for cannabinoid and terpenoid potency and safe levels of contaminants, and remediation procedures and validation procedures;
- 3. Controlled access areas for storage of medical marijuana and medical marijuana product test samples, waste and reference standards;
- 4. Records to be retained and computer systems to be utilized by the laboratory;
- 5. The possession, storage and use by the laboratory of reagents, solutions and reference standards;

- 6. A certificate of analysis (COA) for each lot of reference standard;
- 7. The transport and disposal of unused marijuana, marijuana products and waste;
- 8. The mandatory use by a laboratory of an inventory tracking system to ensure all test harvest and production batches or samples containing medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana products are identified and tracked from the point they are transferred from a medical marijuana business, a patient or a caregiver through the point of transfer, destruction or disposal. The inventory tracking system reporting shall include the results of any tests that are conducted on medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product;
  - 9. Standards of performance;

- 10. The employment of laboratory personnel;
- 11. A written standard operating procedure manual to be maintained and updated by the laboratory;
- 12. The successful participation in a Department-approved proficiency testing program for each testing category listed in this section, in order to obtain and maintain certification;
- 13. The establishment of and adherence to a quality assurance and quality control program to ensure sufficient monitoring of laboratory processes and quality of results reported;

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

- 15. The establishment by the laboratory of a system to retain and maintain all required records, including business records, and processes to ensure results are reported in a timely and accurate manner; and
- 16. Any other aspect of laboratory testing of medical marijuana or medical marijuana product deemed necessary by the Department.
- O. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall promptly provide the Department or designee of the Department access to a report of a test and any underlying data that is conducted on a sample at the request of a medical marijuana business or qualified patient. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall also provide access to the Department or designee of the Department to laboratory premises and to any material or information requested by the Department to determine compliance with the requirements of this section.
- P. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall retain all results of laboratory tests conducted on marijuana or products for a period of at least  $\frac{1}{1}$  seven (7) years and shall make them available to the Department 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 Commissioner:
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- Mycotoxins;
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- 8 5. Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and other cannabinoid potency;
  - 6. Terpenoid potency; and
- 10 7. Heavy metals.
  - R. A test batch shall not exceed ten (10) pounds of usable marijuana or medical marijuana product, as appropriate. A grower shall separate each harvest lot of usable marijuana into harvest batches containing no more than ten (10) pounds. A processor shall separate each medical marijuana production lot into production batches containing no more than ten (10) pounds.
  - 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 annually up to two (2) times per year thereafter by an inspector approved by the Authority Department.

    The Department may enter the licensed premises of a testing

laboratory to conduct investigations and additional inspections when the Department believes an investigation or additional inspection is necessary due to a possible violation of applicable laws, rules or regulations.

- U. Beginning on a date determined by the Commissioner, not later than January 1, 2020, medical marijuana testing laboratory licensure shall be contingent upon accreditation by the NELAC Institute (TNI), ANSI/ASQ National Accreditation Board or another accrediting body approved by the Commissioner, and any applicable standards as determined by the Department.
- V. A Unless otherwise authorized by this section, a commercial grower shall not transfer or sell medical marijuana and a processor shall not transfer, sell or process into a concentrate or product any medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product unless samples from each harvest batch or production batch from which that medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product was derived has been tested by a medical marijuana testing facility for contaminants and passed all contaminant tests required by this act the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act and applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- 1. A commercial grower may transfer medical marijuana that has failed testing to a processor only for the purposes of remediation and only in accordance with the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and

Patient Protection Act and the rules and regulations of the
Department.

- 2. Growers and processors who achieve process validation under the rules and regulations set forth by the Department may transfer, sell or process medical marijuana and medical marijuana products in accordance with those rules and regulations.
- SECTION 19. AMENDATORY Section 18, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.18), is amended to read as follows:
  - Section 427.18 A. An Oklahoma medical marijuana business shall not sell, transfer or otherwise distribute medical marijuana or medical marijuana product that has not been packaged and labeled in accordance with this section and rules promulgated by the State Commissioner of Health.
  - B. A medical marijuana dispensary shall return medical marijuana and medical marijuana product that does not meet packaging or labeling requirements in this section or rules promulgated pursuant thereto to the entity who transferred it to the dispensary. The medical marijuana dispensary shall document to whom the item was returned, what was returned and the date of the return or dispose of any usable marijuana that does not meet these requirements in accordance with this act.
  - C. 1. Medical marijuana packaging shall be packaged to minimize its appeal to children and shall not depict images other

1 than the business name logo of the medical marijuana producer and
2 image of the product.

- 2. A medical marijuana business shall not place any content on a container in a manner that reasonably appears to target individuals under the age of twenty-one (21), including but not limited to cartoon characters or similar images.
- 3. Labels on a container shall not include any false or misleading statements.
- 4. No container shall be intentionally or knowingly labeled so as to cause a reasonable patient confusion as to whether the medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product is a trademarked product or labeled in a manner that violates any federal trademark law or regulation.
- 5. The label on the container shall not make any claims regarding health or physical benefits to the patient.
- 6. All medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical marijuana products shall be in a child-resistant container at the point of transfer to the patient or caregiver.
- D. The State Department of Health shall develop minimum standards for packaging and labeling of medical marijuana and medical marijuana products. Such standards shall include, but not be limited to, the required contents of labels to be affixed to all medical marijuana and medical marijuana products prior to transfer

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- 1. A universal symbol indicating that the product contains tetrahydrocannabinol (THC);
  - 2. THC and other cannabinoid potency, and terpenoid potency;
- 6 3. 2. A statement indicating that the product has been tested 7 for contaminants;
- 8 4. 3. One or more product warnings to be determined by the 9 Department; and
- 10  $\frac{5}{4}$  Any other information the Department deems necessary.
- 11 SECTION 20. AMENDATORY Section 19, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
- 12 | 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.19), is amended to read as
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- Section 427.19 A. A medical marijuana research license may be issued to a person to grow, cultivate, possess and transfer, by sale or donation, marijuana pursuant to this act for the limited research purposes identified in this section.
  - B. The <u>annual</u> fee for a medical marijuana research license shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and shall be payable by an applicant for a medical marijuana research license upon submission of his or her application to the Authority.
- C. A medical marijuana research license may be issued for the following research purposes:
  - 1. To test chemical potency and composition levels;

2. To conduct clinical investigations of marijuana-derived medicinal products;

3. To conduct research on the efficacy and safety of administering marijuana as part of medical treatment;

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- 4. To conduct genomic, horticultural or agricultural research;
- 5. To conduct research on marijuana-affiliated products or systems.
- D. 1. As part of the application process for a medical marijuana research license, an applicant shall submit to the Authority a description of the research that the applicant intends to conduct and whether the research will be conducted with a public institution or using public money. If the research will not be conducted with a public institution or with public money, the Authority shall grant the application if it determines that the applicant meets the criteria in this section.
- 2. If the research will be conducted with a public institution or public money, the Department shall review the research project of the applicant to determine if it meets the requirements of this section and to assess the following:
  - a. the quality, study design, value or impact of the project,
  - whether the applicant has the appropriate personnel,
     expertise, facilities, infrastructure, funding and

human, animal or other approvals in place to successfully conduct the project, and

- c. whether the amount of marijuana to be grown by the applicant is consistent with the scope and goals of the project.
- 3. If the Authority determines that the research project does not meet the requirements of this section or assesses the criteria to be inadequate, the application shall be denied.
- E. A medical marijuana research licensee may only transfer, by sale or donation, marijuana grown within its operation to other medical marijuana research licensees. The Department may revoke a medical marijuana research license for violations of this section and any other violation of this act.
- F. A medical marijuana research licensee may contract to perform research in conjunction with a public higher education research institution or another medical marijuana research licensee.
- G. The growing, cultivating, possessing or transferring, by sale or donation, of marijuana in accordance with this section and the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, by a medical marijuana research licensee shall not be a criminal or civil offense under state law. A medical marijuana research licensee shall be issued in the name of the applicant and shall specify the location in Oklahoma at which the medical marijuana research licensee intends to operate.

1 A medical marijuana research licensee shall not allow any other person to exercise the privilege of the license.

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- 3 Η. If the research conducted includes a public institution or public money, the Authority shall review any reports made by medical marijuana research licensees under state licensing authority rule and provide the Authority with its determination on whether the research project continues to meet research qualifications pursuant to this section.
- SECTION 21. AMENDATORY Section 20, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 10 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.20), is amended to read as 11 follows:
- 12 Section 427.20 A. There is hereby created a medical marijuana 13 education facility license.
  - A medical marijuana education facility license may be issued to a person to possess or cultivate marijuana for the limited education and research purposes identified in this section.
  - C. A medical marijuana education facility license may only be granted to a not-for-profit organization structured under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, operating as an Oklahoma not-for-profit registered organization with the Office of the Secretary of State.
  - D. A medical marijuana education facility license may only be granted upon the submission of a an annual fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Authority.

- E. A medical marijuana education facility license may be issued for the following education and research purposes:
- To test cultivation techniques, strategies, infrastructure, mediums, lighting and other related technology;
- 2. To demonstrate cultivation techniques, strategies, infrastructure, mediums, lighting and other related technology;
- 3. To demonstrate the application and use of product manufacturing technologies;

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- 4. To conduct genomic, horticultural or agricultural research;
- 5. To conduct research on marijuana-affiliated products or systems.
  - F. As part of the application process for a medical marijuana education facility license, an applicant shall submit to the Authority a description of the project and curriculum that the applicant intends to conduct and whether the project and curriculum will be conducted with a public institution or using public money. If the research project and curriculum will not be conducted with a public institution or with public money, the Authority shall grant the application. If the research will be conducted with a public institution or public money, the Authority shall review the research project of the applicant to determine if it meets the requirements of this section and to assess the following:
    - 1. The quality, study design, value or impact of the project;

2. Whether the applicant has the appropriate personnel, expertise, facilities, infrastructure, funding, and human, animal or other approvals in place to successfully conduct the project; and

- 3. Whether the amount of marijuana to be grown by the applicant is consistent with the scope and goals of the project.
- If the Authority determines that the education project does not meet the requirements of this section or assesses the criteria to be inadequate, the application shall be denied.
- G. A medical marijuana education facility licensee may only transfer, by sale or donation, marijuana grown within its operation to medical marijuana research licensees. The Department may revoke a medical marijuana education facility license for violations of this section and any other violation of this act applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- H. A medical marijuana education facility licensee may contract to perform research in conjunction with a public higher education research institution or another research licensee.
- I. The growing, cultivating, possessing or transferring, by sale or donation, of marijuana in accordance with this section and the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, by a medical marijuana education facility licensee shall not be a criminal or civil offense under state law. A medical marijuana education facility license shall be issued in the name of the applicant and shall specify the location in Oklahoma at which the medical marijuana education

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- 2 | facility licensee shall not allow any other person to exercise the
- 3 privilege of the license.
- 4 SECTION 22. AMENDATORY Section 22, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
- 5 | 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 427.22), is amended to read as
- 6 | follows:
- 7 | Section 427.22 A. An All patient and caregiver records and
- 8 information, including, without limitation, an application or
- 9 renewal and supporting information submitted by a qualifying patient
- 10 or designated caregiver under the provisions of this act including,
- 11 | without limitation, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient
- 12 | Protection Act and information regarding the physician of the
- 13 qualifying patient, shall be considered confidential medical records
- 14 that are exempt from the Oklahoma Open Records Act.
- B. The dispensary records with patient information shall be
- 16 treated as confidential records that are exempt from the Oklahoma
- 17 Open Records Act.
- 18 C. All financial information provided by an applicant in its
- 19 application to the Authority or licensee shall be treated as
- 20 | confidential records that are exempt from the Oklahoma Open Records
- 21 Act.
- D. All information provided by an applicant or licensee that
- 23 constitutes private business information shall be treated as

1 confidential records that are exempt from the Oklahoma Open Records 2 Act.

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- E. As used in this section, "private business information" means information that, if disclosed, would give advantage to competitors or bidders including, but not limited to, information related to the planning, site location, operations, strategy, or product development and marketing of an applicant, unless approval for release of those records is granted by the business.
- F. All monthly reports, inventory tracking and seed-to-sale information, data and records submitted to the Authority shall be treated as confidential and are exempt from the Oklahoma Open Records Act.
- G. Except for license information concerning licensed patients, the Authority may share confidential information with the Oklahoma

  Tax Commission to assist the Oklahoma Tax Commission in ensuring compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- SECTION 23. AMENDATORY Section 23, Chapter 11, O.S.L.
- 18 | 2019, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 477, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S.
- 19 Supp. 2019, Section 427.23), is amended to read as follows:
- Oklahoma Tax Commission, the State Treasurer, the Secretary of State

Section 427.23 A. The State Commissioner of Health, the

- 22 and the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services
- 23 | shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this act.

B. The Food Safety Standards Board Medical Marijuana Advisory

Council, in addition to the powers and duties granted in Section 423

of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title, may recommend to

the State Commissioner of Health rules relating to all aspects of

regarding the safe cultivation and manufacture manufacturing of

medical marijuana products. In addition to the twelve members

required in Section 423 of this title, the State Department of

Health may appoint up to eight additional members. The makeup of

the Medical Marijuana Advisory Council shall include medical

marijuana industry representation.

SECTION 24. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 427.24 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

- A. Whenever an authorized agent of the State Department of Health finds, in whole or in part, that:
- 1. Any medical marijuana or medical marijuana product fails to meet the requirements of Sections 420 through 426.1 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, as it relates to health and safety;
- 2. The medical marijuana or medical marijuana product is handled in violation of applicable laws or rules and regulations of the Department; or
- 3. The medical marijuana or medical marijuana product may be poisonous, deleterious to health, or is otherwise unsafe,

a tag or other appropriate marking shall be affixed to the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product. The tag or other appropriate marking shall give notice that the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product is or is suspected of being manufactured, produced, transferred, sold, or offered for sale in violation of applicable laws or rules and regulations of the Department. The tag or other appropriate marking shall also give notice that the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product is embargoed and shall provide a warning that all persons shall be prohibited from removing or disposing of the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product until permission for removal or disposal is given by the State Commissioner of Health. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove or dispose of the embargoed medical marijuana or medical marijuana product without permission.

B. 1. If the Commissioner finds that medical marijuana or medical marijuana product embargoed pursuant to subsection A of this section does not meet the requirements of applicable laws or rules and regulations of the Department, or is poisonous, deleterious to health, or otherwise unsafe, the Commissioner may institute an action in the district court, in whose jurisdiction the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product is embargoed, for the condemnation and destruction of the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product.

2. If the Commissioner later finds that the embargoed medical marijuana or medical marijuana product does meet the requirements of applicable laws and rules and regulations of the Department and is not poisonous, deleterious to health, or otherwise unsafe, the Commissioner shall remove the embargo.

- 3. In any court proceeding regarding an embargo, the State Department of Health, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority and the State Commissioner of Health shall not be held liable if the court finds reasonable belief for the embargo.
- C. If the court finds that the embargoed medical marijuana or medical marijuana product, in whole or in part, is in violation of any applicable laws or Department rules or regulations or is poisonous, deleterious to health, or otherwise unsafe, the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product shall be destroyed under the supervision of the Commissioner and at the expense of the owner or defendant. All court costs, fees, cost of storage and other proper expenses shall be paid by the owner or defendant of the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product. The court may order that the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product be delivered to the owner or defendant for appropriate labeling or processing under the supervision of the Commissioner if:
- 1. The violation can be corrected by proper processing of the medical marijuana or medical marijuana product;
  - 2. All costs, fees and expenses have been paid; and

- 3. A sufficient bond is executed and conditioned for
  appropriate labeling or processing as the court may require.

  The expense of supervision shall be paid to the Commissioner by the
  person obtaining release of the medical marijuana or medical
- SECTION 25. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 337, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 428.1), is amended to read as follows:
- 9 Section 428.1 As used in this act the Oklahoma Medical
  10 Marijuana Waste Management Act:

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marijuana product under bond.

- "Authority" shall mean the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana
   Authority, or successor agency;
- 2. "Commercial licensee" shall mean any person or entity issued a license by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority, or successor agency, to conduct commercial business in this state;
- 3. "Disposal" shall mean the final disposition of medical marijuana waste by either a process which renders the waste unusable and unrecognizable through physical destruction or a recycling process;
- 4. "Facility" shall mean a location the licensed or permitted
  premises where the disposal of medical marijuana waste takes place
  by a licensee;
- 5. "License" shall mean a medical marijuana waste disposal license;

6. "Licensee" shall mean the holder of a medical marijuana waste disposal license;

- 7. "Medical marijuana waste" shall mean unused, surplus, returned or out-of-date marijuana and plant debris of the plant of the genus Cannabis, including dead plants and all unused plant parts, except the term shall not include <u>seeds</u>, roots, stems, stalks and fan leaves; and
- 8. "Medical marijuana waste disposal license" shall mean a license issued by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority, or successor agency.
- 11 SECTION 26. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 337, O.S.L.
  12 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 429), is amended to read as
  13 follows:
  - Section 429. A. Medical marijuana waste shall be subject to the provisions of this act and shall not be subject to the provisions of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act.

    Nothing in this act shall alter or affect the jurisdictional areas of environmental responsibility of the Department of Environmental Quality as provided for in Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes.
  - B. Commercial licensees, medical marijuana research facilities and medical marijuana education facilities shall be authorized to destroy the following marijuana plant parts without being required to utilize the services of a medical marijuana waste disposal facility:

- Root balls Roots;
- 2. Stems;

- 3 3. Fan leaves; and
  - 4. Seeds; and
  - 5. Stalks.

Unless restricted by local ordinance, commercial licensees, medical marijuana research facilities and medical marijuana education facilities shall be authorized to destroy the above-listed marijuana plant parts on-site by open burning, incineration, burying, mulching, composting or any other technique approved by the Department of Environmental Quality.

C. Commercial licensees, medical marijuana research facilities and medical marijuana education facilities engaged in the disposal of medical marijuana waste shall create and maintain documentation on a form prescribed by the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority that includes precise weights or counts of medical marijuana waste and the manner in which the medical marijuana waste is disposed.

Such documentation shall contain a witness affidavit and signature attesting to the lawful disposal of the medical marijuana waste under penalty of perjury. All disposal records shall be maintained by commercial licensees, medical marijuana research facilities and medical marijuana educational facilities for a period of five (5) years and shall be subject to inspection and auditing by the Authority.

SECTION 27. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 337, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 430), is amended to read as follows:

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Section 430. A. There is hereby created and authorized a medical marijuana waste disposal license. A person or entity in possession of a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall be entitled to possess, transport and dispose of medical marijuana waste. No person or entity shall possess, transport or dispose of medical marijuana waste without a valid medical marijuana waste disposal license. The Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall issue licenses upon proper application by a licensee and determination by the Authority that the proposed site and facility are physically and technically suitable. Upon a finding that a proposed medical marijuana waste disposal facility is not physically or technically suitable, the Authority shall deny the license. Authority may, upon determining that public health or safety requires emergency action, issue a temporary license for treatment or storage of medical marijuana waste for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days. The Authority shall not, for the first year of the licensure program, issue more than ten licenses. Upon the conclusion of the first year, the Authority shall assess the need for additional licenses and shall, if demonstrated, increase the number of licenses as deemed necessary by the Authority.

- B. Entities applying for a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall undergo the following screening process:
- 1. Complete an application form, as prescribed by the Authority, which shall include:
  - a. an attestation that the applicant is authorized to make application on behalf of the entity,
  - b. full name of the organization,
  - c. trade name, if applicable,

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- d. type of business organization,
- e. complete mailing address,
- f. an attestation that the commercial entity will not be located on tribal land,
- g. telephone number and email address of the entity, and
- h. name, residential address and date of birth of each owner and each member, manager and board member, if applicable;
- 2. The application for a medical marijuana waste disposal license made by an individual on his or her own behalf shall be on the form prescribed by the Authority and shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. the first, middle and last name of the applicant and suffix, if applicable,
  - b. the residence address and mailing address of the applicant,

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- c. the date of birth of the applicant,
- d. the preferred telephone number and email address of the applicant,
- e. an attestation that the information provided by the applicant is true and correct, and
- f. a statement signed by the applicant pledging not to divert marijuana to any individual or entity that is not lawfully entitled to possess marijuana; and
- 3. Each application shall be accompanied by the following documentation:
  - a. a list of all persons or entities that have an ownership interest in the entity,
  - b. a certificate of good standing from the Oklahoma Secretary of State, if applicable,
  - c. an Affidavit of Lawful Presence for each owner,
  - d. proof that the proposed location of the disposal facility is at least one thousand (1,000) feet from a public or private school. The distance indicated in this subparagraph shall be measured from any entrance the nearest property line of the public or private school to the nearest property line point front entrance of the disposal facility. If any public or private school is established within one thousand (1,000) feet of any disposal facility after such

disposal facility has been licensed, the provisions of
this subparagraph shall not be a deterrent to the
renewal of such license or warrant revocation of the
license, and

- e. documents establishing the applicant, the members, managers and board members, if applicable, and seventy-five percent (75%) of the ownership interests are Oklahoma residents as established in Section 420 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes of this title, as it relates to proof of residency.
- C. No license shall be issued except upon proof of sufficient liability insurance and financial responsibility. Liability insurance shall be provided by the applicant and shall apply to sudden and nonsudden bodily injury or property damage on, below or above the surface, as required by the rules of the Authority. Such insurance shall be maintained for the period of operation of the facility and shall provide coverage for damages resulting from operation of the facility during operation and after closing. In lieu of liability insurance required by this subsection, an equivalent amount of cash, securities, bond or alternate financial assurance, of a type and in an amount acceptable to the Authority, may be substituted; provided, that such deposit shall be maintained for a period of five (5) years after the date of last operation of the facility.

D. Submission of an application for a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall constitute permission for entry to and inspection of the facility of the licensee during hours of operation and other reasonable times. Refusal to permit such entry of inspection shall constitute grounds for the nonrenewal, suspension or revocation of a license. The Authority may perform an annual unannounced on-site inspection of the operations and any facility of the licensee. If the Authority receives a complaint concerning noncompliance by a licensee with the provisions of this act, the Authority may conduct additional unannounced, on-site inspections beyond an annual inspection. The Authority shall refer all complaints alleging criminal activity that are made against a licensed facility to appropriate state or local law enforcement authorities.

E. The Authority shall issue a an annual permit for each medical marijuana waste disposal facility operated by a licensee. A permit shall be issued only upon proper application by a licensee and determination by the Authority that the proposed site and facility are physically and technically suitable. Upon a finding that a proposed medical marijuana waste disposal facility is not physically or technically suitable, the Authority shall deny the permit. The Authority shall have the authority to revoke a permit upon a finding that the site and facility are not physically and technically suitable for processing. The Authority may, upon

determining that public health or safety requires emergency action,

issue a temporary permit for treatment or storage of medical

marijuana waste for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

- F. The cost of a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the initial license. The cost of a medical marijuana waste disposal facility permit shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). A medical marijuana waste disposal facility permit that has been revoked shall be reinstated upon remittance of a reinstatement fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to restore the facility permit. All license and permit fees shall be deposited into the Public Health Special Fund Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority Revolving Fund as provided in Section 1-107
- G. The holder of a medical marijuana waste disposal license shall not be required to obtain a medical marijuana transporter license provided for in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act for purposes of transporting medical marijuana waste.
- H. All commercial licensees, as defined in Section 2 428.1 of this act title, shall utilize a licensed medical marijuana waste disposal service to process all medical marijuana waste generated by the licensee.
- I. The State Commissioner of Health shall promulgate rules for the implementation of this act. Promulgated rules shall address

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