

**SENATE CHAMBER**  
**STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

DISPOSITION

FLOOR AMENDMENT

No. \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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(Date)

Mr./Madame President:

I move to amend Senate Bill No. 162, by substituting the attached floor substitute for the title, enacting clause and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by:

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Senator Standridge

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1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 162

By: Standridge and Boggs of the  
Senate

6 and

7 Marti of the House

8  
9 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

10 [ medical marijuana - medical marijuana license -  
11 physicians - effective date ]

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, State Question No. 788,  
15 Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 420), is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 420. A. A person in possession of a state issued  
18 medical marijuana license shall be able to:

- 19 1. Consume marijuana legally;
- 20 2. Legally possess up to three (3) ounces of marijuana on their  
21 person;
- 22 3. Legally possess six (6) mature marijuana plants;
- 23 4. Legally possess six (6) seedling plants;
- 24 5. Legally possess one (1) ounce of concentrated marijuana;

1       6. Legally possess seventy-two (72) ounces of edible marijuana;  
2 and

3       7. Legally possess up to eight (8) ounces of marijuana in their  
4 residence.

5       B. Possession of up to one and one-half (1.5) ounces of  
6 marijuana by persons who can state a medical condition, but are not  
7 in possession of a state issued medical marijuana license, shall  
8 constitute a misdemeanor offense with a fine not to exceed Four  
9 Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).

10       C. A regulatory office shall be established under the ~~Oklahoma~~  
11 State Department of Health which ~~will~~ shall receive applications for  
12 medical license recipients, dispensaries, growers, and packagers  
13 within sixty (60) days of the passage of this initiative.

14       D. The ~~Oklahoma~~ State Department of Health shall, within thirty  
15 (30) days of passage of this initiative, make available, on ~~their~~  
16 the Department's website, in an easy to find location, an  
17 application for a medical marijuana license. The license ~~will be~~  
18 ~~good~~ shall be valid for two (2) years, and the application fee ~~will~~  
19 shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or Twenty Dollars (\$20.00)  
20 for individuals on Medicaid, Medicare, or SoonerCare. The methods  
21 of payment ~~will~~ shall be provided on the Department's website.

22       E. A temporary license application ~~will~~ shall also be made  
23 available on the ~~Oklahoma~~ State Department of Health website. A  
24 temporary medical marijuana license ~~will~~ shall be granted to any

1 medical marijuana license holder from other states, provided that  
2 the state has a state regulated medical marijuana program, and the  
3 applicant can prove they are a member of such program. Temporary  
4 licenses ~~will~~ shall be issued for thirty (30) days. The cost for a  
5 temporary license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Renewal  
6 ~~will~~ shall be granted with resubmission of a new application. No  
7 additional criteria ~~will~~ shall be required.

8 F. Medical marijuana license applicants ~~will~~ shall submit their  
9 application to the ~~Oklahoma~~ State Department of Health for approval  
10 ~~and that the applicant must~~. The applicant shall be an Oklahoma  
11 state resident and shall prove residency by a valid ~~driver's~~ driver  
12 license, utility bills, or other accepted methods.

13 G. The ~~Oklahoma~~ State Department of Health shall review the  
14 medical marijuana application, ~~approve/reject~~ approve or reject the  
15 application, and mail the applicant's approval or rejection letter  
16 ~~(stating reasons for rejection)~~, stating any reasons for rejection,  
17 to the applicant within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of  
18 the application. Approved applicants ~~will~~ shall be issued a medical  
19 marijuana license which ~~will~~ shall act as proof of their approved  
20 status. Applications may only be rejected based on the applicant  
21 not meeting stated criteria or improper completion of the  
22 application.

23 H. The ~~Oklahoma~~ State Department of Health ~~will~~ shall only keep  
24 the following records for each approved medical license:

- 1 1. A digital photograph of the license holder;
- 2 2. The expiration date of the license;
- 3 3. The county where the card was issued; and
- 4 4. A unique ~~24-character~~ twenty-four-character identification
- 5 number assigned to the license.

6 I. The State Department of Health ~~will~~ shall make available,  
7 both on ~~its~~ the Department's website, and through a telephone  
8 verification system, an easy method to validate a medical marijuana  
9 license ~~holders~~ holder's authenticity by the unique ~~24-character~~  
10 twenty-four-character identifier.

11 J. The State Department of Health ~~will~~ shall ensure that all  
12 application records and information are sealed to protect the  
13 privacy of medical marijuana license applicants.

14 K. A caregiver license ~~will~~ shall be made available for  
15 qualified caregivers of a medical marijuana license holder who is  
16 homebound. The caregiver license ~~will~~ shall give the caregiver the  
17 same rights as the medical marijuana license holder. Applicants for  
18 a caregiver license ~~will~~ shall submit proof of the medical marijuana  
19 license holder's license status and homebound status, proof that  
20 they are the designee of the medical marijuana license holder, ~~must~~  
21 ~~submit~~ proof that the caregiver is age eighteen (18) or older, and  
22 ~~must submit~~ proof the caregiver is an Oklahoma resident. This ~~will~~  
23 shall be the only criteria for a caregiver license.

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1 L. All applicants ~~must~~ shall be eighteen (18) years or older.  
2 A special exception ~~will~~ shall be granted to an applicant under the  
3 age of eighteen (18), however these applications ~~must~~ shall be  
4 signed by two (2) physicians and the applicant's parent or legal  
5 guardian.

6 M. All applications for a medical marijuana license ~~must~~ shall  
7 be signed by an Oklahoma ~~Board certified~~ physician licensed by and  
8 in good standing with the State Board of Medical Licensure and  
9 Supervision or the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners. There are  
10 no qualifying conditions. A medical marijuana license ~~must~~ shall be  
11 recommended according to the accepted standards a reasonable and  
12 prudent physician would follow when recommending or approving any  
13 medication. No physician may be unduly stigmatized or harassed for  
14 signing a medical marijuana license application.

15 N. Counties and cities may enact medical marijuana guidelines  
16 allowing medical marijuana license holders or caregivers to exceed  
17 the state limits set forth in subsection A of this section.

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

21 Section 2. As used in this act:

22 1. "Advertising" means the act of providing consideration for  
23 the publication, dissemination, solicitation, or circulation, of  
24 visual, oral, or written communication, to induce directly or

1 indirectly any person to patronize a particular medical marijuana  
2 business, or to purchase particular medical marijuana or a medical  
3 marijuana product. Advertising includes marketing, but does not  
4 include packaging and labeling;

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

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

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

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

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

15 a. designed or constructed to be significantly difficult  
16 for children under five (5) years of age to open and  
17 not difficult for normal adults to use properly as  
18 defined by 16 C.F.R. 1700.15 (1995) and 16 C.F.R.  
19 1700.20 (1995),

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

20      13. "Dispensary" means a medical marijuana dispensary, an  
21 entity that has been licensed by the Department pursuant to this act  
22 to purchase medical marijuana or medical marijuana products from a  
23 licensed medical marijuana commercial grower or medical marijuana  
24 processor, sell medical marijuana or medical marijuana products to



1 patients and caregivers as defined under this act, or sell or  
2 transfer products to another dispensary;

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

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

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

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

17 18. "Food-based medical marijuana concentrate" means a medical  
18 marijuana concentrate that was produced by extracting cannabinoids  
19 from medical marijuana through the use of propylene glycol,  
20 glycerin, butter, olive oil, coconut oil or other typical food-safe  
21 cooking fats;

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

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

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

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

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

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

5 24. "Inventory tracking system" means the required tracking  
6 system that accounts for medical marijuana from either the seed or  
7 immature plant stage until the medical marijuana or medical  
8 marijuana product is sold to a patient at a medical marijuana  
9 dispensary, transferred to a medical marijuana research facility,  
10 destroyed by a medical marijuana business or used in a research  
11 project by a medical marijuana research facility;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

22 36. "Medical marijuana product" or "product" means a product  
23 that contains cannabinoids that have been extracted from plant  
24 material or the resin therefrom by physical or chemical means and is

1 intended for administration to a qualified patient including, but  
2 not limited to, oils, tinctures, edibles, pills, topical forms,  
3 gels, creams, vapors, patches, liquids, and forms administered by a  
4 nebulizer, excluding live plant forms which are considered medical  
5 marijuana;

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

11 38. "Medical marijuana research facility" or "research  
12 facility" means a person or entity approved pursuant to this act to  
13 conduct medical marijuana research. A medical marijuana research  
14 facility is not a medical marijuana business;

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

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

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

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

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

16 44. "Oklahoma physician" or "physician" means a physician  
17 licensed by and in good standing with the State Board of Medical  
18 Licensure and Supervision or the State Board of Osteopathic  
19 Examiners;

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

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

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

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

48. "Person" means a natural person, partnership, association, business trust, company, corporation, estate, limited liability company, trust or any other legal entity or organization, or a manager, agent, owner, director, servant, officer or employee



1 thereof, except that "person" does not include any governmental  
2 organization;

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

10 50. "Production batch" means:

11 a. any amount of medical marijuana concentrate of the  
12 same category and produced using the same extraction  
13 methods, standard operating procedures and an  
14 identical group of harvest batch of medical marijuana,  
15 or

16 b. any amount of medical marijuana product of the same  
17 exact type, produced using the same ingredients,  
18 standard operating procedures and the same production  
19 batch of medical marijuana concentrate;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

8       64. "Test batch" means with regard to usable marijuana, a  
9 homogenous, identified quantity of usable marijuana by strain, no  
10 greater than ten (10) pounds, that is harvested during a seven-day  
11 period from a specified cultivation area, and with regard to oils,  
12 vapors and waxes derived from usable marijuana, means an identified  
13 quantity that is uniform, that is intended to meet specifications  
14 for identity, strength and composition, and that is manufactured,  
15 packaged and labeled during a specified time period according to a  
16 single manufacturing, packaging and labeling protocol;

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

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

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

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

8       SECTION 3.       AMENDATORY       Section 17 of Enrolled House Bill  
9 No. 2612 of the 1st Session of the 57th Oklahoma Legislature, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11       Section 17. A. There is hereby created a medical marijuana  
12 testing laboratory license as a category of the medical marijuana  
13 business license. The Authority is hereby enabled to monitor,  
14 inspect and audit a licensed testing laboratory under this act.

15       B. The Authority is hereby authorized to contract with a  
16 private laboratory for the purpose of conducting compliance testing  
17 of medical marijuana testing laboratories licensed in this state.  
18 Any such laboratory under contract for compliance testing shall be  
19 prohibited from conducting any other commercial medical marijuana  
20 testing in this state.

21       C. The Authority shall have the authority to develop acceptable  
22 testing and research practices, including but not limited to  
23 testing, standards, quality control analysis, equipment  
24 certification and calibration, and chemical identification and

1 substances used in bona fide research methods so long as it complies  
2 with this act.

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

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

10 F. A separate license shall be required for each specific  
11 laboratory.

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

21 H. A laboratory applicant shall comply with the application  
22 requirements of this section and shall submit such other information  
23 as required for a medical marijuana business applicant, in addition  
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1 to any information the Authority may request for initial approval  
2 and periodic evaluations during the approval period.

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

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

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

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

22 K. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may transfer samples  
23 to another medical marijuana testing laboratory for testing. All  
24 laboratory reports provided to or by a medical marijuana business or

1 to a patient or caregiver shall identify the medical marijuana  
2 testing laboratory that actually conducted the test.

3 L. A medical marijuana testing laboratory may utilize a  
4 licensed medical marijuana transporter to transport samples of  
5 medical marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate and medical  
6 marijuana product for testing, in accordance with this act and the  
7 rules adopted pursuant thereto, between the originating medical  
8 marijuana business requesting testing services and the destination  
9 laboratory performing testing services.

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

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1 N. The Department, pursuant to rules promulgated by the State  
2 Commissioner of Health, shall develop standards, policies and  
3 procedures as necessary for:

4 1. The cleanliness and orderliness of a laboratory premises and  
5 the location of the laboratory in a secure location, and inspection,  
6 cleaning and maintenance of any equipment or utensils used for the  
7 analysis of test samples;

8 2. Testing procedures, testing standards for cannabinoid and  
9 terpenoid potency and safe levels of contaminants, ~~batch size~~ and  
10 remediation procedures;

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

14 4. Records to be retained and computer systems to be utilized  
15 by the laboratory;

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

18 6. A certificate of analysis (COA) for each lot of reference  
19 standard;

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

22 8. The mandatory use by a laboratory of an inventory tracking  
23 system to ensure all test batches or samples containing medical  
24 marijuana, medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana

1 products are identified and tracked from the point they are  
2 transferred from a medical marijuana business, a patient or a  
3 caregiver through the point of transfer, destruction or disposal.  
4 The inventory tracking system reporting shall include the results of  
5 any tests that are conducted on medical marijuana, medical marijuana  
6 concentrate or medical marijuana product;

7 9. Standards of performance;

8 10. The employment of laboratory personnel;

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

11 12. The successful participation in a Department-approved  
12 proficiency testing program for each testing category listed in this  
13 section, in order to obtain and maintain certification;

14 13. The establishment of and adherence to a quality assurance  
15 and quality control program to ensure sufficient monitoring of  
16 laboratory processes and quality of results reported;

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

20 15. The establishment by the laboratory of a system to retain  
21 and maintain all required records, including business records, and  
22 processes to ensure results are reported in a timely and accurate  
23 manner; and  
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1 16. Any other aspect of laboratory testing of medical marijuana  
2 or medical marijuana product deemed necessary by the Department.

3 O. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall promptly  
4 provide the Department or designee of the Department access to a  
5 report of a test and any underlying data that is conducted on a  
6 sample at the request of a medical marijuana business or qualified  
7 patient. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall also provide  
8 access to the Department or designee of the Department to laboratory  
9 premises and to any material or information requested by the  
10 Department to determine compliance with the requirements of this  
11 section.

12 P. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall retain all  
13 results of laboratory tests conducted on marijuana or products for a  
14 period of at least two (2) years and shall make them available to  
15 the Department upon request.

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

- 21 1. Microbials;
- 22 2. Mycotoxins;
- 23 3. Residual solvents;
- 24 4. Pesticides;

- 1 5. Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and other cannabinoid potency;
- 2 6. Terpenoid potency; and
- 3 7. Heavy metals.

4 R. A test batch shall not exceed ten (10) pounds of usable  
5 marijuana or medical marijuana product, as appropriate. A grower  
6 shall separate each harvest lot of usable marijuana into harvest  
7 batches containing no more than ten (10) pounds. A processor shall  
8 separate each medical marijuana production lot into production  
9 batches containing no more than ten (10) pounds.

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

14 ~~S.~~ T. A medical marijuana testing laboratory shall be inspected  
15 prior to initial licensure and annually thereafter by an inspector  
16 approved by the Authority.

17 ~~T.~~ U. Beginning on a date determined by the Commissioner, not  
18 later than January 1, 2020, medical marijuana testing laboratory  
19 licensure shall be contingent upon accreditation by the NELAC  
20 Institute (TNI), ANSI/ASQ National Accreditation Board or another  
21 accrediting body approved by the Commissioner, and any applicable  
22 standards as determined by the Department.

23 ~~U.~~ V. A commercial grower shall not transfer or sell medical  
24 marijuana and a processor shall not transfer, sell or process into a

1 concentrate or product any medical marijuana, medical marijuana  
2 concentrate or medical marijuana product unless samples from each  
3 harvest batch or production batch from which that medical marijuana,  
4 medical marijuana concentrate or medical marijuana product was  
5 derived has been tested by a medical marijuana testing facility for  
6 contaminants and passed all contaminant tests required by this act.

7 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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