1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)
3	SENATE BILL NO. 898 By: Howard
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6	AS INTRODUCED
7	An Act relating to medical marijuana; amending Provision No. 1, State Question No. 788, Initiative
8	Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 420), which relates to medical marijuana license; requiring dispensaries to check certain information at point of
10	sale; clarifying language; and providing an effective date.
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
14	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Provision No. 1, State Question
15	No. 788, Initiative Petition No. 412 (63 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section
16	420), is 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;

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

- 7. Legally possess up to eight (8) ounces of marijuana in their residence.
- B. Possession of up to one and one-half (1.5) ounces of marijuana by persons who can state a medical condition, but <u>are</u> not in possession of a state issued medical marijuana license, shall constitute a misdemeanor offense with a fine not to exceed Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).
- C. A regulatory office shall be established under the  $\frac{Oklahoma}{Oklahoma}$  State Department of Health which  $\frac{Will}{Shall}$  receive applications for medical license recipients, dispensaries, growers, and packagers within sixty (60) days of the passage of this initiative.
- D. 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 license. The license will be good shall be valid for two (2) years, and the application fee will shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for individuals on Medicaid, Medicare, or SoonerCare. The methods of payment will shall be provided on the Department's website.
- E. A temporary license application will shall also be made available on the Oklahoma State Department of Health website. A temporary medical marijuana license will 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 they are a member of such program. Temporary licenses will shall be issued for thirty (30) days. The cost for a temporary license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Renewal will shall be granted with resubmission of a new application. No additional criteria will shall be required.

- F. Medical marijuana license applicants will shall submit their application to the Oklahoma State Department of Health for approval and that the applicant must. The applicant shall be an Oklahoma state resident and shall prove residency by a valid driver's driver license, utility bills, or other accepted methods.
- G. The Oklahoma State Department of Health shall review the medical marijuana application, approve/reject approve or reject the application, and mail the applicant's approval or rejection letter (stating reasons for rejection), stating any reasons for rejection, to the applicant within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the application. Approved applicants will shall be issued a medical marijuana license which will shall act as proof of their approved status. Applications may only be rejected based on the applicant not meeting stated criteria or improper completion of the application.
- H. The Oklahoma State Department of Health will only keep the following records for each approved medical license:

- - 2. The expiration date of the license;

- 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 will shall make available, both on its website, and through a telephone verification system, an easy method to validate a medical marijuana license holder's authenticity by the unique 24 character 24-character identifier.

  Licensed dispensaries shall enter each medical marijuana license's 24-character identifier into the license verification system at the point of sale to ensure that such license is valid. If the license is invalid, the sale shall not be occur.
- J. The State Department of Health will shall ensure that all application records and information are sealed to protect the privacy of medical marijuana license applicants.
- K. A caregiver license will shall be made available for qualified caregivers of a medical marijuana license holder who is homebound. The caregiver license will shall give the caregiver the same rights as the medical marijuana license holder. Applicants for a caregiver license will shall submit proof of the medical marijuana license holder's license status and homebound status, proof that they are the designee of the medical marijuana license holder, must submit proof that the caregiver is age eighteen (18) or older, and

- must submit proof the caregiver is an Oklahoma resident. This will shall be the only criteria for a caregiver license.
  - L. All applicants <u>must shall</u> be eighteen (18) years or older. A special exception <u>will shall</u> be granted to an applicant under the age of eighteen (18), however these applications <u>must shall</u> be signed by two (2) physicians and the applicant's parent or legal guardian.
  - M. All applications for a medical <u>marijuana</u> license <u>must shall</u> be signed by an Oklahoma Board certified physician. There are no qualifying conditions. A medical marijuana license <u>must shall</u> 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. 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.
- SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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