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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to reciprocity for the medical use of
3 marijuana; providing that a qualified patient
4 identification card or a caregiver identification
5 card, or either's equivalent, issued by another state,
6 by a United States territory, or by the District of
7 Columbia, has the same force and effect as a medical
8 marijuana use registry identification card issued by
9 the Department of Health; requiring the department to
10 enter a certain out-of-state physician certification,
11 or its equivalent, into the medical marijuana use
12 registry for the nonresident qualified patient or
13 caregiver; providing an effective date.

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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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17 Section 1. Reciprocity for nonresident qualified patients
18 and caregivers.—Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a
19 qualified patient identification card or a caregiver
20 identification card, or the equivalent of either, issued under
21 the laws of another state, of any United States territory, or of
22 the District of Columbia to allow a nonresident patient or
23 caregiver to receive marijuana or a marijuana delivery device
24 for medical use by the nonresident patient with a qualifying
25 medical condition, or to allow a person to assist with the
26 medical use of marijuana by the nonresident patient, has the
27 same force and effect as a medical marijuana use registry
28 identification card issued by the Department of Health pursuant
29 to s. 381.986, Florida Statutes. For each nonresident qualified

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30 patient or caregiver, the department shall enter into the
31 medical marijuana use registry a physician certification, or its
32 equivalent issued under the laws of another state, submitted by
33 a physician who has physically examined the patient and is
34 licensed to practice in the jurisdiction where the patient
35 resides, which specifies the amount and the type of marijuana or
36 marijuana delivery device recommended for medical use by such
37 nonresident patient.

38 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.