By Senator Smith

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the availability of marijuana for
3	adult use; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising the
4	sales tax exemption for the sale of marijuana and
5	marijuana delivery devices to apply only to purchases
6	by qualified patients and caregivers; amending s.
7	381.986, F.S.; revising definitions; revising
8	background screening requirements for caregivers;
9	revising provisions related to the licensure and
10	functions of medical marijuana treatment centers
11	(MMTCs); requiring the Department of Health to adopt
12	by rule certain standards and procedures; requiring
13	the department to adopt by rule a specified MMTC
14	registration form; providing registration
15	requirements; providing that a registration expires
16	after a specified time; requiring an MMTC to obtain
17	separate operating licenses to perform certain
18	operations; specifying application requirements for
19	MMTCs to obtain cultivation licenses and processing
20	licenses; providing for the expiration of and renewal
21	of such licenses; requiring an MMTC to obtain a
22	facility permit before cultivating or processing
23	marijuana at the facility; authorizing MMTCs licensed
24	to cultivate or process marijuana to use contractors
25	to assist with the cultivation and processing of
26	marijuana but providing that the licensee is
27	ultimately responsible for all operations relating to
28	the cultivation and processing and for maintaining
29	physical possession of the marijuana at all times;

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30	requiring work done by contractors to be performed at
31	permitted facilities; requiring licensees using a
32	contractor to register the contractor's principals and
33	employees; providing that such principals and
34	employees may not begin participating in the
35	operations until they have received an identification
36	card from the department; providing for the
37	destruction of certain marijuana byproducts within a
38	specified timeframe after their production;
39	authorizing MMTCs licensed to cultivate and process
40	marijuana to sell marijuana at wholesale to other
41	registered MMTCs only if certain conditions are met;
42	prohibiting an MMTC from transporting or delivering
43	marijuana outside of its property without a
44	transportation license; providing requirements for the
45	cultivation and processing of marijuana; deleting a
46	requirement that each MMTC produce and make available
47	for purchase at least one low-THC cannabis product;
48	deleting certain tetrahydrocannabinol limits for
49	edibles; requiring an MMTC that holds a license for
50	processing to test marijuana before it is sold in
51	addition to when it is dispensed; deleting obsolete
52	language; revising packaging requirements for
53	marijuana and edibles; providing application
54	requirements for an MMTC to obtain a retail license;
55	providing for the expiration and renewal of such
56	license; requiring an MMTC to obtain a facility permit
57	before selling, dispensing, or storing marijuana in a
58	facility; requiring an MMTC to cease certain

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59	operations in a facility under certain circumstances;
60	prohibiting a dispensing facility from repackaging or
61	modifying marijuana that has already been packaged for
62	sale; providing exceptions; authorizing a retail
63	licensee to contract with an MMTC that has a
64	transportation license to transport marijuana for the
65	retail licensee under certain circumstances;
66	prohibiting onsite consumption or administration of
67	marijuana at a dispensing facility; revising
68	requirements for the dispensing of marijuana by an
69	MMTC licensed for retail; requiring an MMTC licensed
70	for retail to include specified information on the
71	label for marijuana or a marijuana delivery device
72	dispensed to a qualified patient or caregiver;
73	authorizing an MMTC to sell marijuana to an adult 21
74	years of age or older under certain circumstances;
75	requiring MMTC employees to verify the age of such
76	buyers using specified methods; prohibiting an MMTC
77	from requesting or storing any personal information of
78	a buyer other than that needed to verify the buyer's
79	age; revising a provision prohibiting an MMTC from
80	dispensing or selling specified products; revising
81	safety and security requirements for MMTCs; providing
82	application requirements for an MMTC to obtain a
83	transportation license; prohibiting the transportation
84	of marijuana on certain properties; requiring the
85	transportation of marijuana only in vehicles owned or
86	leased by a licensee or the licensee's contractor and
87	appropriately permitted by the department; providing a

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88	process and requirements for obtaining a vehicle
89	permit; requiring MMTCs to designate a registered
90	employee or contract employee as the driver for each
91	permitted vehicle; requiring the designation to be
92	displayed in the vehicle at all times; requiring that
93	each permitted vehicle be GPS-monitored; providing for
94	the expiration and cancellation of vehicle permits;
95	specifying that a permitted vehicle transporting
96	marijuana is subject to inspection and search without
97	a search warrant by specified persons; authorizing an
98	MMTC licensed to transport marijuana and marijuana
99	delivery devices to deliver or contract for the
100	delivery of marijuana and marijuana delivery devices
101	to other MMTCs within this state, to qualified
102	patients and caregivers within this state, and to
103	adults 21 years of age or older within this state;
104	specifying that a county or municipality may not
105	prohibit deliveries of marijuana or marijuana delivery
106	devices to qualified patients and caregivers within
107	the county or municipality; requiring an MMTC
108	delivering marijuana or a marijuana delivery device to
109	a qualified patient or his or her caregiver to verify
110	the identity of the qualified patient; requiring an
111	MMTC or its contractor delivering marijuana to an
112	adult 21 years of age or older to verify his or her
113	age; providing requirements for such verification;
114	requiring the department to adopt certain rules for
115	the delivery of marijuana; authorizing MMTCs to use
116	contractors to assist with the transportation of

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117	marijuana; specifying that an MMTC is responsible for
118	a contractor's actions and operations related to the
119	transportation of marijuana; requiring an MMTC to know
120	the location of all of its marijuana products at all
121	times; requiring principals and employees of a
122	contractor to register with the department and receive
123	an MMTC employee identification card before
124	participating in the operations of an MMTC; providing
125	for the permitting of cultivation, processing,
126	dispensing, and storage facilities; requiring the
127	department to adopt by rule a facility permit
128	application form; requiring the department to inspect
129	a facility before issuing a permit; requiring the
130	department to issue or deny a facility permit within a
131	specified timeframe; providing for the expiration of
132	facility permits; requiring the department to inspect
133	a facility for compliance before the renewal of a
134	facility permit; requiring an MMTC to cease applicable
135	operations if a facility's permit expires or is
136	suspended or revoked until the department takes
137	certain actions; requiring cultivation facilities and
138	processing facilities to be insured with specified
139	hazard and liability insurance; providing requirements
140	for the location of cultivation facilities and
141	processing facilities; preempting to the state all
142	matters regarding the permitting and regulation of
143	cultivation facilities and processing facilities;
144	requiring dispensing facilities and storage facilities
145	to be insured with specified hazard and liability

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17-00875A-25 20251390 146 insurance; providing requirements for the location of 147 dispensing facilities and storage facilities; 148 clarifying that the governing body of a county or a municipality may prohibit or limit the number of 149 150 dispensing facilities located within its jurisdiction 151 but may not prohibit a licensed retail MMTC or its 152 permitted storage facility from being located in such 153 county's or municipality's jurisdiction if the MMTC is 154 delivering marijuana to qualified patients in that 155 jurisdiction; prohibiting counties and municipalities 156 from requiring, requesting, or accepting financial 157 contributions or similar benefits from MMTCs, except 158 for levying local business taxes; prohibiting the 159 department from issuing a facility permit for a 160 dispensing facility in a county or municipality that 161 adopts a specified ordinance; authorizing a county or 162 municipality to levy a local tax on a dispensing 163 facility; providing that local ordinances may not 164 result in or provide for certain outcomes; authorizing 165 the department to adopt specified requirements by 166 rule; requiring the department to adopt rules to 167 administer the registration of certain MMTC 168 principals, employees, and contractors; requiring an 169 MMTC to apply to the department for the registration 170 of certain persons before hiring or contracting with 171 such persons; requiring the department to adopt by 172 rule a registration form that includes specified 173 information; requiring the department to register 174 persons who satisfy specified conditions and issue

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17-00875A-25 20251390 175 them MMTC employee identification cards; providing 176 requirements for the identification cards; requiring a 177 registered person and the MMTC to update the 178 department within a specified timeframe if certain 179 information or the person's employment status changes; 180 authorizing the department to contract with vendors to 181 issue MMTC employee identification cards; requiring the department to inspect an MMTC and its facilities 182 183 upon receipt of a complaint and to inspect each 184 permitted facility at least biennially; authorizing 185 the department to conduct additional inspections of a 186 facility under certain circumstances; revising 187 administrative penalties; authorizing the department 188 to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew an MMTC's 189 registration, operating licenses, vehicle permits, or 190 facility permits for violating certain provisions; 191 requiring the department to refuse to renew an MMTC's cultivation, processing, retail, or transportation 192 193 license under certain circumstances; revising 194 provisions related to criminal and civil penalties and 195 fees to conform to changes made by the act; providing 196 applicability; deleting obsolete language; creating s. 197 381.990, F.S.; authorizing a person 21 years of age or 198 older to purchase marijuana products, marijuana in a form for smoking, and marijuana delivery devices under 199 200 certain circumstances; providing that such products be 201 purchased from an MMTC licensed by the department for 202 the retail sale of marijuana and registered with the 203 Department of Business and Professional Regulation for

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17-00875A-25 20251390 204 sale of marijuana for adult use; providing for 205 criminal penalties; authorizing a person 21 years of 206 age or older to possess, use, transport, or transfer 207 to another person 21 years of age or older marijuana 208 products, marijuana in a form for smoking, and marijuana delivery devices under certain 209 210 circumstances; providing limitations and criminal 211 penalties; clarifying that a private property owner may restrict the smoking or vaping of marijuana on his 212 213 or her property but a landlord may not prevent his or 214 her tenants from possessing or using marijuana by 215 other means; providing that certain provisions do not 216 exempt a person from prosecution for a criminal 217 offense related to impairment or intoxication 218 resulting from the use of marijuana and do not relieve 219 a person from any legal requirement to submit to 220 certain tests to detect the presence of a controlled 221 substance; requiring the Department of Agriculture and 222 Consumer Services, by a specified date, to adopt rules 223 regulating the cultivation of marijuana by members of 224 the public for their private use, including the use of 225 a specified model for cultivation; amending s. 893.13, 226 F.S.; authorizing a person 21 years of age or older to 227 deliver marijuana products to another person 21 years 228 of age or older and to possess marijuana products in a 229 specified amount under certain circumstances; 230 providing criminal penalties for the delivery or 231 possession of marijuana products by a person younger 232 than 21 years of age under certain circumstances;

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17-00875A-25 20251390 233 creating s. 893.1352, F.S.; providing legislative 234 intent; providing construction; providing for the 235 retroactive applicability of s. 893.13, F.S.; 236 requiring certain sentences for specified offenses; 237 requiring sentence review hearings for individuals 238 serving certain sentences for specified crimes, if 239 requested; providing requirements for sentence review 240 and resentencing; requiring the waiver of certain 241 conviction-related fines, fees, and costs under 242 certain circumstances; amending s. 893.147, F.S.; 243 authorizing a person 21 years of age or older to 244 possess, use, transport, or deliver, without 245 consideration, a marijuana delivery device to another 246 person 21 years of age or older; providing criminal 247 penalties for the possession, use, transport, or 248 delivery, without consideration, of a marijuana 249 delivery device by a person younger than 21 years of 250 age under certain circumstances; creating s. 943.0586, 251 F.S.; defining terms; authorizing an individual 252 convicted of certain crimes to petition the court for 253 expunction of his or her criminal history record under 254 specified circumstances; requiring such individual to 255 first obtain a certificate of eligibility for 256 expunction from the Department of Law Enforcement; 257 requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt 258 rules establishing the procedures for applying for and 259 issuing such certificates; requiring the Department of 260 Law Enforcement to issue a certificate of eligibility 261 for expunction under specified circumstances;

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262	providing that the certificate is valid for a
263	specified timeframe; providing for reapplication for
264	such certificate; providing requirements for the
265	petition for expunction; providing criminal penalties;
266	providing for the court's authority over its own
267	procedures, with an exception; requiring the court to
268	order the expunction of a criminal history record
269	under certain circumstances; clarifying that
270	expunction of certain criminal history records does
271	not affect eligibility for expunction of other
272	criminal history records; providing requirements for
273	processing expunction petitions and orders; providing
274	that expunction orders that do not comply with
275	specified provisions are not required to be acted on;
276	providing a process to remedy any such noncompliance;
277	providing that no cause of action may rise against any
278	criminal justice agency for failure to act on such an
279	expunction order during the noncompliance; providing
280	that a person granted an expunction may lawfully deny
281	or fail to acknowledge the underlying arrest or
282	conviction, with exceptions; providing that a person
283	may not be deemed to have committed perjury or
284	otherwise held liable for giving a false statement if
285	he or she fails to recite or acknowledge an expunged
286	criminal history record; amending s. 893.15, F.S.;
287	conforming a provision to changes made by the act;
288	providing effective dates.
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290	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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292	Section 1. Paragraph (1) of subsection (2) of section
293	212.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
294	212.08 Sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and
295	storage tax; specified exemptionsThe sale at retail, the
296	rental, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the
297	storage to be used or consumed in this state of the following
298	are hereby specifically exempt from the tax imposed by this
299	chapter.
300	(2) EXEMPTIONS; MEDICAL
301	(l) Marijuana and marijuana delivery devices, as defined in
302	s. 381.986, are exempt from the taxes imposed under this chapter
303	if they are purchased by a qualified patient or a caregiver, as
304	those terms are defined in s. 381.986.
305	Section 2. Paragraphs (e) through (i), (k), and (l) of
306	subsection (1), paragraph (b) of subsection (3), paragraph (f)
307	of subsection (4), paragraphs (a) and (f) of subsection (5),
308	paragraph (b) of subsection (6), subsections (8) through (12),
309	paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (f) of subsection (14), and
310	subsection (17) of section 381.986, Florida Statutes, are
311	amended to read:
312	381.986 Medical use of marijuana.—
313	(1) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, the term:
314	(e) "Edibles" means commercially produced food items made
315	with marijuana oil, but no other form of marijuana, <u>which</u> <del>that</del>
316	are produced and dispensed by a medical marijuana treatment
317	center (MMTC).
318	(f) "Low-THC cannabis" means a plant of the genus <i>Cannabis</i> ,
319	the dried flowers of which contain 0.8 percent or less of
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320	tetrahydrocannabinol and more than 10 percent of cannabidiol
321	weight for weight; the seeds thereof; the resin extracted from
322	any part of such plant; or any compound, manufacture, salt,
323	derivative, mixture, or preparation of such plant or its seeds
324	or resin <u>which</u> <del>that</del> is dispensed from <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical</del>
325	marijuana treatment center.
326	(g) "Marijuana" means all parts of any plant of the genus
327	Cannabis, whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; the resin
328	extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound,
329	manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the
330	plant or its seeds or resin, including low-THC cannabis, which
331	<u>is</u> <del>are</del> dispensed from <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana treatment</del>
332	center for medical use by a qualified patient.
333	(h) "Marijuana delivery device" means an object used,
334	intended for use, or designed for use in preparing, storing,
335	ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing marijuana into the
336	human body, <del>and</del> which <u>object</u> is dispensed from <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical</del>
337	marijuana treatment center for medical use by a qualified
338	patient; however, such objects except that delivery devices
339	intended <u>solely</u> for the medical use of marijuana by smoking need
340	not be dispensed from <u>an MMTC and</u> <del>a medical marijuana treatment</del>
341	<del>center in order to</del> qualify as marijuana delivery devices.
342	(i) "Marijuana testing laboratory" means a facility
343	certified by the department pursuant to s. 381.988 which that
344	collects and analyzes marijuana samples from <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical</del>
345	marijuana treatment center and has been certified by the
346	department pursuant to s. 381.988.

347 (k) "Medical use" means the acquisition, possession, use,348 delivery, transfer, or administration of marijuana authorized by

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17-00875A-25 20251390 349 a physician certification. The term does not include: 350 1. Possession, use, or administration of marijuana that was 351 not purchased or acquired from an MMTC a medical marijuana 352 treatment center. 353 2. Possession, use, or administration of marijuana in the 354 form of commercially produced food items other than edibles or 355 of marijuana seeds. 356 3. Use or administration of any form or amount of marijuana 357 in a manner that is inconsistent with the qualified physician's 358 directions or physician certification. 359 4. Transfer of marijuana to a person other than the 360 qualified patient for whom it was authorized or the qualified 361 patient's caregiver on behalf of the qualified patient. 362 5. Use or administration of marijuana in the following locations: 363 364 a. On any form of public transportation, except for low-THC 365 cannabis not in a form for smoking. 366 b. In any public place, except for low-THC cannabis not in 367 a form for smoking. 368 c. In a qualified patient's place of employment, except 369 when permitted by his or her employer. 370 d. In a state correctional institution, as defined in s. 371 944.02, or a correctional institution, as defined in s. 944.241. 372 e. On the grounds of a preschool, primary school, or 373 secondary school, except as provided in s. 1006.062. 374 f. In a school bus, a vehicle, an aircraft, or a motorboat, 375 except for low-THC cannabis not in a form for smoking. 376 6. The smoking of marijuana in an enclosed indoor workplace as defined in s. 386.203(5). 377

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          (1) "Physician certification" means a qualified physician's
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     authorization for a qualified patient to receive marijuana and a
     marijuana delivery device from an MMTC a medical marijuana
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     treatment center.
          (3) QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL DIRECTORS.-
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          (b) A qualified physician may not be employed by, or have
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     any direct or indirect economic interest in, an MMTC a medical
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     marijuana treatment center or a marijuana testing laboratory.
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           (4) PHYSICIAN CERTIFICATION.-
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          (f) A qualified physician may not issue a physician
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     certification for more than three 70-day supply limits of
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     marijuana or more than six 35-day supply limits of marijuana in
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     a form for smoking. The department shall quantify by rule a
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     daily dose amount with equivalent dose amounts for each
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     allowable form of marijuana dispensed by an MMTC a medical
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     marijuana treatment center. The department shall use the daily
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     dose amount to calculate a 70-day supply.
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          1. A qualified physician may request an exception to the
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     daily dose amount limit, the 35-day supply limit of marijuana in
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     a form for smoking, and the 4-ounce possession limit of
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     marijuana in a form for smoking established in paragraph
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     (14) (a). The request must shall be made electronically on a form
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     adopted by the department in rule and must include, at a
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     minimum:
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              The qualified patient's qualifying medical condition.
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              The dosage and route of administration that was
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     insufficient to provide relief to the qualified patient.
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405 c. A description of how the patient will benefit from an 406 increased amount.

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          d. The minimum daily dose amount of marijuana that would be
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     sufficient for the treatment of the qualified patient's
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     qualifying medical condition.
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          2. A qualified physician must provide the qualified
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     patient's records upon the request of the department.
          3. The department shall approve or disapprove the request
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     within 14 days after receipt of the complete documentation
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     required by this paragraph. The request is shall be deemed
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     approved if the department fails to act within this time period.
           (5) MEDICAL MARIJUANA USE REGISTRY.-
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          (a) The department shall create and maintain a secure,
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     electronic, and online medical marijuana use registry for
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     physicians, patients, and caregivers as provided under this
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     section. The medical marijuana use registry must be accessible
     to law enforcement agencies, qualified physicians, and MMTCs
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     medical marijuana treatment centers to verify the authorization
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     of a qualified patient or a caregiver to possess marijuana or a
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     marijuana delivery device and record the marijuana or marijuana
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     delivery device dispensed. The medical marijuana use registry
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     must also be accessible to practitioners licensed to prescribe
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     prescription drugs to ensure proper care for patients before
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     medications that may interact with the medical use of marijuana
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     are prescribed. The medical marijuana use registry must prevent
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     an active registration of a qualified patient by multiple
     physicians.
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(f) The department may revoke the registration of a qualified patient or caregiver who cultivates marijuana or who acquires, possesses, or delivers marijuana from any person or entity other than <u>an MMTC</u> <u>a medical marijuana treatment center</u>.

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436	(6) CAREGIVERS
437	(b) A caregiver must:
438	1. Not be a qualified physician and not be employed by or
439	have an economic interest in <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana</del>
440	treatment center or a marijuana testing laboratory.
441	2. Be 21 years of age or older and a resident of this
442	state.
443	3. Agree in writing to assist with the qualified patient's
444	medical use of marijuana.
445	4. Be registered in the medical marijuana use registry as a
446	caregiver for no more than one qualified patient, except as
447	provided in this paragraph.
448	5. Successfully complete a caregiver certification course
449	developed and administered by the department or its designee,
450	which must be renewed biennially. The price of the course may
451	not exceed \$100.
452	6. Pass a <u>level 2</u> background screening pursuant to <u>chapter</u>
453	$\underline{435}$ subsection (9), unless the patient is a close relative of
454	the caregiver. In addition to the disqualifying offenses
455	specified in s. 435.04(2) and (3), a person may not serve as a
456	caregiver if he or she has an arrest awaiting final disposition
457	for; has been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication; or
458	has entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to an offense
459	under chapter 837, chapter 895, or chapter 896 or a similar law
460	of another jurisdiction.
461	(8) MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS.—
462	(a) The department shall license medical marijuana
463	treatment centers to ensure reasonable statewide accessibility
464	and availability as necessary for qualified patients registered
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465	in the medical marijuana use registry and who are issued a
466	physician certification under this section.
467	1. As soon as practicable, but no later than July 3, 2017,
468	the department shall license as a medical marijuana treatment
469	center any entity that holds an active, unrestricted license to
470	cultivate, process, transport, and dispense low-THC cannabis,
471	medical cannabis, and cannabis delivery devices, under former s.
472	381.986, Florida Statutes 2016, before July 1, 2017, and which
473	meets the requirements of this section. In addition to the
474	authority granted under this section, these entities are
475	authorized to dispense low-THC cannabis, medical cannabis, and
476	cannabis delivery devices ordered pursuant to former s. 381.986,
477	Florida Statutes 2016, which were entered into the compassionate
478	use registry before July 1, 2017, and are authorized to begin
479	dispensing marijuana under this section on July 3, 2017. The
480	department may grant variances from the representations made in
481	such an entity's original application for approval under former
482	s. 381.986, Florida Statutes 2014, pursuant to paragraph (e).
483	2. The department shall license as medical marijuana
484	treatment centers 10 applicants that meet the requirements of
485	this section, under the following parameters:
486	a. As soon as practicable, but no later than August 1,
487	2017, the department shall license any applicant whose
488	application was reviewed, evaluated, and scored by the
489	department and which was denied a dispensing organization
490	license by the department under former s. 381.986, Florida
491	Statutes 2014; which had one or more administrative or judicial
492	challenges pending as of January 1, 2017, or had a final ranking
493	within one point of the highest final ranking in its region
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494	under former s. 381.986, Florida Statutes 2014; which meets the
495	requirements of this section; and which provides documentation
496	to the department that it has the existing infrastructure and
497	technical and technological ability to begin cultivating
498	marijuana within 30 days after registration as a medical
499	marijuana treatment center.
500	b. As soon as practicable, the department shall license one
501	applicant that is a recognized class member of <i>Pigford v</i> .
502	Glickman, 185 F.R.D. 82 (D.D.C. 1999), or In Re Black Farmers
503	Litig., 856 F. Supp. 2d 1 (D.D.C. 2011). An applicant licensed
504	under this sub-subparagraph is exempt from the requirement of
505	subparagraph (b)2. An applicant that applies for licensure under
506	this sub-subparagraph, pays its initial application fee, is
507	determined by the department through the application process to
508	qualify as a recognized class member, and is not awarded a
509	license under this sub-subparagraph may transfer its initial
510	application fee to one subsequent opportunity to apply for
511	licensure under subparagraph 4.
512	c. As soon as practicable, but no later than October 3,
513	2017, the department shall license applicants that meet the
514	requirements of this section in sufficient numbers to result in
515	10 total licenses issued under this subparagraph, while
516	accounting for the number of licenses issued under sub-
517	subparagraphs a. and b.
518	3. For up to two of the licenses issued under subparagraph
519	2., the department shall give preference to applicants that
520	demonstrate in their applications that they own one or more
521	facilities that are, or were, used for the canning,
522	concentrating, or otherwise processing of citrus fruit or citrus

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17-00875A-25 20251390 523 molasses and will use or convert the facility or facilities for 524 the processing of marijuana. 525 4. Within 6 months after the registration of 100,000 active 526 qualified patients in the medical marijuana use registry, the 527 department shall license four additional medical marijuana 528 treatment centers that meet the requirements of this section. 529 Thereafter, the department shall license four medical marijuana 530 treatment centers within 6 months after the registration of each 531 additional 100,000 active qualified patients in the medical 532 marijuana use registry that meet the requirements of this 533 section. 534 (b) An applicant for licensure as a medical marijuana 535 treatment center shall apply to the department on a form 536 prescribed by the department and adopted in rule. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 537 538 establishing a procedure for the issuance and biennial renewal 539 of licenses, including initial application and biennial renewal fees sufficient to cover the costs of implementing and 540 541 administering this section, and establishing supplemental 542 licensure fees for payment beginning May 1, 2018, sufficient to 543 cover the costs of administering ss. 381.989 and 1004.4351. The 544 department shall identify applicants with strong diversity plans 545 reflecting this state's commitment to diversity and implement 546 training programs and other educational programs to enable 547 minority persons and minority business enterprises, as defined 548 in s. 288.703, and veteran business enterprises, as defined in 549 s. 295.187, to compete for medical marijuana treatment center 550 licensure and contracts. Subject to the requirements in subparagraphs (a) 2.-4., the department shall issue a license to 551

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553	section and pays the initial application fee. The department
554	shall renew the licensure of a medical marijuana treatment
555	center biennially if the licensee meets the requirements of this
556	section and pays the biennial renewal fee. However, the
557	department may not renew the license of a medical marijuana
558	treatment center that has not begun to cultivate, process, and
559	dispense marijuana by the date that the medical marijuana
560	treatment center is required to renew its license. An individual
561	may not be an applicant, owner, officer, board member, or
562	manager on more than one application for licensure as a medical
563	marijuana treatment center. An individual or entity may not be
564	awarded more than one license as a medical marijuana treatment
565	center. An applicant for licensure as a medical marijuana
566	treatment center must demonstrate:
567	1. That, for the 5 consecutive years before submitting the
568	application, the applicant has been registered to do business in
569	the state.
570	2. Possession of a valid certificate of registration issued
571	by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant
572	<del>to s. 581.131.</del>
573	3. The technical and technological ability to cultivate and
574	produce marijuana, including, but not limited to, low-THC
575	cannabis.
576	4. The ability to secure the premises, resources, and
577	personnel necessary to operate as a medical marijuana treatment
578	center.
579	5. The ability to maintain accountability of all raw
580	materials, finished products, and any byproducts to prevent
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581	diversion or unlawful access to or possession of these
582	substances.
583	6. An infrastructure reasonably located to dispense
584	marijuana to registered qualified patients statewide or
585	regionally as determined by the department.
586	7. The financial ability to maintain operations for the
587	duration of the 2-year approval cycle, including the provision
588	of certified financial statements to the department.
589	a. Upon approval, the applicant must post a \$5 million
590	performance bond issued by an authorized surety insurance
591	company rated in one of the three highest rating categories by a
592	nationally recognized rating service. However, a medical
593	marijuana treatment center serving at least 1,000 qualified
594	patients is only required to maintain a \$2 million performance
595	bond.
596	b. In lieu of the performance bond required under sub-
597	subparagraph a., the applicant may provide an irrevocable letter
598	of credit payable to the department or provide cash to the
599	department. If provided with cash under this sub-subparagraph,
600	the department shall deposit the cash in the Grants and
601	Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health, subject to
602	the same conditions as the bond regarding requirements for the
603	applicant to forfeit ownership of the funds. If the funds
604	deposited under this sub-subparagraph generate interest, the
605	amount of that interest shall be used by the department for the
606	administration of this section.
607	8. That all owners, officers, board members, and managers
608	have passed a background screening pursuant to subsection (9).
609	9. The employment of a medical director to supervise the

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610	activities of the medical marijuana treatment center.
611	10. A diversity plan that promotes and ensures the
612	involvement of minority persons and minority business
613	enterprises, as defined in s. 288.703, or veteran business
614	enterprises, as defined in s. 295.187, in ownership, management,
615	and employment. An applicant for licensure renewal must show the
616	effectiveness of the diversity plan by including the following
617	with his or her application for renewal:
618	a. Representation of minority persons and veterans in the
619	medical marijuana treatment center's workforce;
620	b. Efforts to recruit minority persons and veterans for
621	employment; and
622	c. A record of contracts for services with minority
623	business enterprises and veteran business enterprises.
624	<del>(c) A medical marijuana treatment center may not make a</del>
625	wholesale purchase of marijuana from, or a distribution of
626	marijuana to, another medical marijuana treatment center, unless
627	the medical marijuana treatment center seeking to make a
628	wholesale purchase of marijuana submits proof of harvest failure
629	to the department.
630	<del>(d)</del> <u>Department responsibilities.</u> The department shall <u>do</u>
631	all of the following:
632	1. Adopt by rule all of the following:
633	a. Operating standards for the cultivation, processing,
634	packaging, and labeling of marijuana.
635	b. Standards for the sale of marijuana.
636	c. Procedures and requirements for all of the following:
637	(I) The registration and registration renewal of MMTCs.
638	(II) The issuance and renewal of cultivation, processing,

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639	retail, and transportation operating licenses.
640	(III) The issuance and renewal of cultivation, processing,
641	dispensing, and storage facility permits and vehicle permits.
642	(IV) The registration of all principals, employees, and
643	contractors of an MMTC who will participate in the operations of
644	the MMTC.
645	(V) The issuance of MMTC employee identification cards to
646	registered principals, employees, and contractors of MMTCs.
647	2. Establish, maintain, and control a computer software
648	tracking system that traces marijuana from seed to sale and
649	allows real-time, 24-hour access by the department to data from
650	all <u>MMTCs</u> medical marijuana treatment centers and marijuana
651	testing laboratories. The tracking system must allow for
652	integration of other seed-to-sale systems and, at a minimum,
653	include notification of when marijuana seeds are planted, when
654	marijuana plants are harvested and destroyed, and when marijuana
655	is transported, sold, stolen, diverted, or lost. Each $\underline{\texttt{MMTC}}$
656	medical marijuana treatment center shall use the seed-to-sale
657	tracking system established by the department or integrate its
658	own seed-to-sale tracking system with the seed-to-sale tracking
659	system established by the department. Each $\underline{MMTC}$ medical
660	marijuana treatment center may use its own seed-to-sale system
661	until the department establishes a seed-to-sale tracking system.
662	The department may contract with a vendor to establish the seed-
663	to-sale tracking system. The vendor selected by the department
664	may not have a contractual relationship with the department to
665	perform any services pursuant to this section other than the
666	seed-to-sale tracking system. The vendor may not have a direct
667	or indirect financial interest in <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana</del>

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668	treatment center or a marijuana testing laboratory.
669	(b) Registration.—
670	1. The department shall adopt by rule an MMTC registration
671	form that, at a minimum, requires all of the following:
672	a. The applicant's full legal name.
673	b. The physical address of each location where the
674	applicant will apply for a facility permit to cultivate,
675	process, dispense, or store marijuana.
676	c. The name, address, and date of birth of each of the
677	applicant's principals.
678	d. The name, address, and date of birth of each of the
679	applicant's current employees and contractors who will
680	participate in the operations of the MMTC.
681	e. The operation or operations in which the applicant
682	intends to engage, which may include one or more of the
683	following:
684	(I) Cultivation.
685	(II) Processing.
686	(III) Retail sales.
687	(IV) Transportation.
688	2. To be registered as an MMTC, an applicant must submit
689	all of the following to the department:
690	a. The applicant's completed registration form.
691	b. Personnel registration forms, as described in subsection
692	(9), for all principals, employees, and contractors listed on
693	the applicant's registration form who will participate in the
694	operations of the MMTC. The department may not register the
695	applicant as an MMTC until all principals, employees, and
696	contractors listed on the applicant's registration form have

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726	a. A completed cultivation license or processing license
727	application form.
728	b. The physical address of each location where marijuana
729	will be cultivated, processed, or stored.
730	c. As applicable to the requested license or licenses:
731	(I) Proof of an established infrastructure, or the ability
732	to establish an infrastructure in a reasonable amount of time,
733	that is designed for cultivation, processing, testing,
734	packaging, and labeling marijuana; proof of the ability to
735	maintain the infrastructure's security; and proof of the ability
736	to prevent the theft or diversion of any marijuana.
737	(II) Proof that the applicant has the technical and
738	technological ability to cultivate and test or process and test
739	marijuana.
740	d. Proof of operating procedures designed to secure and
741	maintain accountability for all marijuana and marijuana-related
742	byproducts that come into the applicant's possession and to
743	comply with the required seed-to-sale tracking system.
744	2. Cultivation licenses and processing licenses expire 2
745	years after the date they are issued. To renew a license, the
746	licensee must meet all of the requirements for initial
747	licensure; must provide all of the documentation required under
748	subparagraph 1.; and may not have any uncorrected substantial
749	violation of the standards adopted by department rule for the
750	cultivation, processing, testing, packaging, and labeling of
751	marijuana.
752	3. Before beginning cultivation or processing at any
753	location, the licensee must obtain a facility permit from the
754	department for that location pursuant to paragraph (g).

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755	4. A licensee under this subsection may use contractors to
756	assist with the cultivation or processing of marijuana, as
757	applicable, but the licensee is ultimately responsible for all
758	of the operations performed by each contractor relating to the
759	cultivation or processing of marijuana and is responsible for
760	maintaining physical possession of the marijuana at all times.
761	All work done by a contractor must be performed at a location
762	that has a facility permit issued by the department. A licensee
763	using a contractor must register any principal or employee of a
764	contractor who will be participating in the operations of the
765	licensee as provided in subsection (9). Such principal or
766	employee may not begin participating in the operations of the
767	licensee until he or she has received an MMTC employee
768	identification card from the department.
769	5. All marijuana byproducts that cannot be processed or
770	reprocessed must be destroyed by the cultivation licensee or the
771	processing licensee or their respective contractors within 30
772	days after the production of the byproducts.
773	6. A licensee under this subsection may sell marijuana at
774	wholesale only to other registered MMTCs. Before selling
775	marijuana at wholesale, the selling MMTC shall provide the
776	purchasing MMTC with documentation showing that the marijuana
777	meets the testing, packaging, and labeling requirements of this
778	section. The purchasing MMTC shall review such documentation to
779	determine whether the marijuana is in compliance with this
780	section before taking possession of the marijuana.
781	7. Transportation or delivery of marijuana outside of the
782	property owned by a licensee under this subsection may be
783	performed only by an MMTC that holds a transportation license

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784 issued pursuant to paragraph (f) 785 (e) A licensed medical marijuana treatment center shall 786 cultivate, process, transport, and dispense marijuana for 787 medical use. A licensed medical marijuana treatment center may 788 not contract for services directly related to the cultivation, 789 processing, and dispensing of marijuana or marijuana delivery 790 devices, except that a medical marijuana treatment center 791 licensed pursuant to subparagraph (a)1. may contract with a 792 single entity for the cultivation, processing, transporting, and 793 dispensing of marijuana and marijuana delivery devices. A 794 licensed medical marijuana treatment center must, at all times, 795 maintain compliance with the criteria demonstrated and 796 representations made in the initial application and the criteria 797 established in this subsection. Upon request, the department may 798 grant a medical marijuana treatment center a variance from the 799 representations made in the initial application. Consideration 800 of such a request shall be based upon the individual facts and 801 circumstances surrounding the request. A variance may not be 802 granted unless the requesting medical marijuana treatment center 803 can demonstrate to the department that it has a proposed 804 alternative to the specific representation made in its 805 application which fulfills the same or a similar purpose as the 806 specific representation in a way that the department can 807 reasonably determine will not be a lower standard than the 808 specific representation in the application. A variance may not 809 be granted from the requirements in subparagraph 2. and 810 subparagraphs (b) 1. and 2. 811

811 1. A licensed medical marijuana treatment center may
 812 transfer ownership to an individual or entity who meets the

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814	publicly traded company that meets the requirements of this
815	section is not precluded from ownership of a medical marijuana
816	treatment center. To accommodate a change in ownership:
817	a. The licensed medical marijuana treatment center shall
818	notify the department in writing at least 60 days before the
819	anticipated date of the change of ownership.
820	b. The individual or entity applying for initial licensure
821	due to a change of ownership must submit an application that
822	must be received by the department at least 60 days before the
823	date of change of ownership.
824	c. Upon receipt of an application for a license, the
825	department shall examine the application and, within 30 days
826	after receipt, notify the applicant in writing of any apparent
827	errors or omissions and request any additional information
828	required.
829	d. Requested information omitted from an application for
830	licensure must be filed with the department within 21 days after
831	the department's request for omitted information or the
832	application shall be deemed incomplete and shall be withdrawn
833	from further consideration and the fees shall be forfeited.
834	e. Within 30 days after the receipt of a complete
835	application, the department shall approve or deny the
836	application.
837	2. A medical marijuana treatment center, and any individual
838	or entity who directly or indirectly owns, controls, or holds
839	with power to vote 5 percent or more of the voting shares of a
840	medical marijuana treatment center, may not acquire direct or
841	indirect ownership or control of any voting shares or other form
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842	of ownership of any other medical marijuana treatment center.
843	3. A medical marijuana treatment center may not enter into
844	any form of profit-sharing arrangement with the property owner
845	or lessor of any of its facilities where cultivation,
846	processing, storing, or dispensing of marijuana and marijuana
847	delivery devices occurs.
848	4. All employees of a medical marijuana treatment center
849	must be 21 years of age or older and have passed a background
850	screening pursuant to subsection (9).
851	5. Each medical marijuana treatment center must adopt and
852	enforce policies and procedures to ensure employees and
853	volunteers receive training on the legal requirements to
854	dispense marijuana to qualified patients.
855	<u>8.</u> 6. When growing marijuana, <u>an MMTC licensed for</u>
856	cultivation a medical marijuana treatment center:
857	a. May use pesticides determined by the department, after
858	consultation with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
859	Services, to be safely applied to plants intended for human
860	consumption, but may not use pesticides designated as
861	restricted-use pesticides pursuant to s. 487.042.
862	b. <u>Shall</u> Must grow marijuana within an enclosed <u>permitted</u>
863	<u>cultivation facility</u> <del>structure</del> and in a room separate from any
864	other plant.
865	c. Shall Must inspect seeds and growing plants for plant
866	pests that endanger or threaten the horticultural and
867	agricultural interests of the state in accordance with chapter
868	581 and any rules adopted thereunder.
869	d. <u>Shall</u> Must perform fumigation or treatment of plants, or
870	remove and destroy infested or infected plants, in accordance

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     with chapter 581 and any rules adopted thereunder.
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          7. Each medical marijuana treatment center must produce and
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     make available for purchase at least one low-THC cannabis
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     product.
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          9.8. An MMTC A medical marijuana treatment center that
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     produces edibles must hold a permit to operate as a food
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     establishment pursuant to chapter 500, the Florida Food Safety
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     Act, and must comply with all the requirements for food
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     establishments pursuant to chapter 500 and any rules adopted
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     thereunder. Edibles may not contain more than 200 milligrams of
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     tetrahydrocannabinol, and a single serving portion of an edible
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     may not exceed 10 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol. Edibles
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     may have a tetrahydrocannabinol potency variance of no greater
     than 15 percent. Marijuana products, including edibles, may not
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     be attractive to children; be manufactured in the shape of
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     humans, cartoons, or animals; be manufactured in a form that
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     bears any reasonable resemblance to products available for
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     consumption as commercially available candy; or contain any
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     color additives. To discourage consumption of edibles by
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     children, the department shall determine by rule all any shapes,
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     forms, and ingredients allowed and prohibited for edibles. MMTCs
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     Medical marijuana treatment centers may not begin processing or
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     dispensing edibles until after the effective date of the rule.
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     The department shall also adopt sanitation rules providing the
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     standards and requirements for the storage, display, or
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     dispensing of edibles.
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          9. Within 12 months after licensure, a medical marijuana
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898 treatment center must demonstrate to the department that all of 899 its processing facilities have passed a Food Safety Good

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900	Manufacturing Practices, such as Global Food Safety Initiative
901	or equivalent, inspection by a nationally accredited certifying
902	body. A medical marijuana treatment center must immediately stop
903	processing at any facility which fails to pass this inspection
904	until it demonstrates to the department that such facility has
905	met this requirement.
906	10. A medical marijuana treatment center that produces
907	prerolled marijuana cigarettes may not use wrapping paper made
908	with tobacco or hemp.
909	10.11. When processing marijuana, an MMTC licensed for
910	processing shall a medical marijuana treatment center must:
911	a. Process the marijuana within an enclosed permitted
912	processing facility structure and in a room separate from other
913	plants or products.
914	b. Comply with department rules when processing marijuana
915	with hydrocarbon solvents or other solvents or gases exhibiting
916	potential toxicity to humans. The department shall determine by
917	rule the requirements for <u>the</u> medical marijuana treatment
918	<del>centers to</del> use <u>of</u> such solvents or gases <u>by MMTCs</u> <del>exhibiting</del>
919	potential toxicity to humans.
920	c. Comply with federal and state laws and regulations and
921	department rules for solid and liquid wastes. The department
922	shall determine by rule procedures for the storage, handling,
923	transportation, management, and disposal of solid and liquid
924	waste generated during marijuana production and processing. The
925	Department of Environmental Protection shall assist the
926	department in developing such rules.
927	d. Test the processed marijuana using a medical marijuana
928	testing laboratory before it is <u>sold or</u> dispensed. Results must

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17-00875A-25 20251390 929 be verified and signed by two MMTC medical marijuana treatment 930 center employees. Before selling, selling at wholesale, or 931 dispensing, the MMTC shall medical marijuana treatment center 932 must determine whether that the test results indicate that low-933 THC cannabis meets the definition of low-THC cannabis, the 934 concentration of tetrahydrocannabinol meets the potency 935 requirements of this section, the labeling of the concentration 936 of tetrahydrocannabinol and cannabidiol is accurate, and all 937 marijuana is safe for human consumption and free from contaminants that are unsafe for human consumption. The 938 939 department shall determine by rule which contaminants must be 940 tested for and the maximum levels of each contaminant which are 941 safe for human consumption. The Department of Agriculture and 942 Consumer Services shall assist the department in developing the testing requirements for contaminants that are unsafe for human 943 944 consumption in edibles. The department shall also determine by 945 rule the procedures for the treatment of marijuana that fails to 946 meet the testing requirements of this section, s. 381.988, or 947 department rule. The department may select samples of marijuana 948 from an MMTC a medical marijuana treatment center facility, 949 which must shall be tested by the department to determine 950 whether the marijuana meets the potency requirements of this 951 section and  $\tau$  is safe for human consumption  $\tau$  and is accurately 952 labeled with the tetrahydrocannabinol and cannabidiol 953 concentration or to verify the result of marijuana testing 954 conducted by a marijuana testing laboratory. The department may 955 also select samples of marijuana delivery devices from a medical 956 marijuana treatment center to determine whether the marijuana 957 delivery device is safe for use by qualified patients. An MMTC A

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17-00875A-25 20251390 958 medical marijuana treatment center may not require payment from 959 the department for the sample. An MMTC shall A medical marijuana 960 treatment center must recall marijuana, including all marijuana 961 and marijuana products made from the same batch of marijuana, 962 that fails to meet the potency requirements of this section, 963 that is unsafe for human consumption, or for which the labeling 964 of the tetrahydrocannabinol and cannabidiol concentration is 965 inaccurate. The department shall adopt rules to establish 966 marijuana potency variations of no greater than 15 percent using 967 negotiated rulemaking pursuant to s. 120.54(2)(d) which accounts 968 for, but is not limited to, time lapses between testing, testing 969 methods, testing instruments, and types of marijuana sampled for 970 testing. The department may not issue any recalls for product 971 potency as it relates to product labeling before issuing a rule 972 relating to potency variation standards. An MMTC shall A medical 973 marijuana treatment center must also recall all marijuana 974 delivery devices determined to be unsafe for use by qualified 975 patients. An MMTC shall The medical marijuana treatment center 976 must retain records of all testing and samples of each 977 homogeneous batch of marijuana for at least 9 months. An MMTC 978 shall The medical marijuana treatment center must contract with 979 a marijuana testing laboratory to perform audits on the MMTC's 980 medical marijuana treatment center's standard operating 981 procedures, testing records, and samples and provide the results 982 to the department to confirm that the marijuana or low-THC 983 cannabis meets the requirements of this section and that the 984 marijuana or low-THC cannabis is safe for human consumption. An 985 MMTC A medical marijuana treatment center shall reserve two 986 processed samples from each batch and retain such samples for at

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987	least 9 months for the purpose of such audits. An MMTC A medical
988	marijuana treatment center may use a laboratory that has not
989	been certified by the department under s. 381.988 until such
990	time as at least one laboratory holds the required
991	certification, but in no event later than July 1, 2018.
992	e. Package the marijuana in compliance with the United
993	States Poison Prevention Packaging Act of 1970, 15 U.S.C. ss.
994	1471 et seq.
995	f. Package the marijuana in a receptacle that has a firmly
996	affixed and legible label stating the following information:
997	(I) That the marijuana or low-THC cannabis meets the
998	requirements of sub-subparagraph d.
999	(II) The name of the <u>MMTC</u> medical marijuana treatment
1000	center from which the marijuana originates.
1001	(III) The batch number and harvest number from which the
1002	marijuana originates and the date <u>that the marijuana is sold or</u>
1003	dispensed.
1004	(IV) The name of the physician who issued the physician
1005	certification.
1006	(V) The name of the patient.
1007	<del>(VI)</del> The product name, if applicable, and dosage form,
1008	including concentration of tetrahydrocannabinol and cannabidiol.
1009	The product name may not contain wording commonly associated
1010	with products that are attractive to children or which promote
1011	the recreational use of marijuana.
1012	(V) (VII) The recommended dose.
1013	<u>(VI)</u> ( <del>VIII)</del> A warning that it is illegal to transfer <del>medical</del>
1014	marijuana to <u>a</u> <del>another</del> person <u>younger than 21 years of age</u> .
1015	(VII) (IX) A marijuana universal symbol developed by the

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	department.
1017	<u>11.12.</u> The <u>MMTC that packages the marijuana</u> medical
1018	<del>marijuana treatment center</del> shall include in each package <u>an</u> <del>a</del>
1019	<del>patient package</del> insert with information on the specific product
1020	dispensed related to all of the following:
1021	a. Clinical pharmacology.
1022	b. Indications and use.
1023	c. Dosage and administration.
1024	d. Dosage forms and strengths.
1025	e. Contraindications.
1026	f. Warnings and precautions.
1027	g. Adverse reactions.
1028	12.13. In addition to the packaging and labeling
1029	requirements specified in subparagraphs <u>10. and</u> 11. <del>and 12.</del> ,
1030	marijuana in a form for smoking must be packaged in a sealed
1031	receptacle with a legible and prominent warning to keep <u>the</u>
1032	receptacle away from children and a warning that states that
1033	marijuana smoke contains carcinogens and may negatively affect
1034	health. Such receptacles for marijuana in a form for smoking
1035	must be plain, opaque, and white without depictions of the
1036	product or images other than the <u>MMTC's</u> medical marijuana
1037	treatment center's department-approved logo and the marijuana
1038	universal symbol.
1039	<u>13.14.</u> The department shall adopt rules to regulate the
1040	types, appearance, and labeling of marijuana delivery devices
1041	dispensed from <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana treatment center</del> . The
1042	rules must require marijuana delivery devices to have an

14.15. Each edible must be individually sealed in plain,

appearance consistent with medical use.

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1045	opaque wrapping marked only with the marijuana universal symbol.
1046	Where practical, Each edible must be marked with the marijuana
1047	universal symbol. In addition to the packaging and labeling
1048	requirements in subparagraphs <u>10. and</u> 11. <del>and 12.</del> , edible
1049	receptacles must be plain, opaque, and white without depictions
1050	of the product or images other than the <u>MMTC's</u> <del>medical marijuana</del>
1051	treatment center's department-approved logo and the marijuana
1052	universal symbol. The receptacle must also include a list of all
1053	the edible's ingredients, storage instructions, information on
1054	the estimated amount of time for the edible to take effect, an
1055	expiration date, a legible and prominent warning to keep the
1056	receptacle away from children and pets, and a warning that the
1057	edible has not been produced or inspected pursuant to federal
1058	food safety laws.
1059	(d) Retail licenses
1060	1. A registered MMTC may apply for a retail license. When
1061	applying, the MMTC must provide the department with, at a
1062	minimum, all of the following:
1063	a. A completed retail license application form.
1064	b. A statement by the applicant which indicates whether the
1065	applicant intends to dispense by delivery. A retail licensee may
1066	not deliver marijuana without also obtaining a transportation
1067	license pursuant to paragraph (f).
1068	c. The physical address of each location where the
1069	applicant will dispense or store marijuana.
1070	d. Identifying information for all other current or
1071	previous retail licenses held by the applicant or any of the
1072	applicant's principals.
1073	e. Proof of operating procedures designed to secure and
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1074	maintain accountability for all marijuana that the applicant
1075	receives and possesses, to ensure that only the allowed amount
1076	of marijuana is sold or dispensed, to ensure that the specified
1077	type of marijuana is correctly dispensed to a qualified patient
1078	or his or her caregiver pursuant to a physician certification,
1079	and to monitor the medical marijuana patient registry and
1080	electronically update the registry with dispensing information.
1081	2. A retail license expires 2 years after the date it is
1082	issued. The retail licensee must apply for license renewal
1083	before the expiration date. To renew a license, a retail
1084	licensee must meet all of the requirements for initial
1085	licensure; must provide all of the documents required under
1086	paragraph (b); and must not have any outstanding substantial
1087	violations of the applicable standards adopted by department
1088	<u>rule.</u>
1089	3. Before beginning to sell, dispense, or store marijuana,
1090	the retail licensee must obtain a facility permit from the
1091	department for each location where marijuana will be sold,
1092	dispensed, or stored. If a facility's permit expires or is
1093	suspended or revoked, the MMTC must cease all applicable
1094	operations at that facility until the department inspects the
1095	facility and renews or reinstates the facility's permit.
1096	4. A dispensing facility may not repackage or modify
1097	marijuana that has already been packaged for sale by a
1098	cultivation licensee or processing licensee unless the
1099	repackaging is of unprocessed marijuana, is done in accordance
1100	with instructions from the cultivator or processor, and is
1101	documented in the required seed-to-sale tracking system.
1102	5. A retail licensee may contract with an MMTC that has a

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L103	transportation license to transport marijuana between properties
L104	owned by the retail licensee, to deliver the marijuana for sale
L105	or dispensing, and to pick up returns of marijuana.
L106	6. Onsite consumption or administration of marijuana at a
L107	dispensing facility is prohibited.
L108	<u>7.<del>16.</del> When dispensing marijuana or a marijuana delivery</u>
L109	device, <u>an MMTC licensed for retail</u> <del>a medical marijuana</del>
L110	treatment center:
L111	a. May dispense any active, valid order for low-THC
L112	cannabis, medical cannabis and cannabis delivery devices issued
L113	pursuant to former s. 381.986, Florida Statutes 2016, which was
L114	entered into the medical marijuana use registry before July 1,
L115	2017.
L116	b. May not dispense more than <u>one</u> a 70-day supply of
L117	marijuana within any 70-day period to a qualified patient or
L118	caregiver <u>and</u> . may not dispense more than one 35-day supply of
L119	marijuana in a form for smoking within any 35-day period to a
L120	qualified patient or caregiver. A 35-day supply of marijuana in
L121	a form for smoking may not exceed 2.5 ounces unless an exception
L122	to this amount is approved by the department pursuant to
L123	paragraph (4)(f).
L124	c. <u>Shall require</u> Must have the MMTC's medical marijuana
L125	treatment center's employee who dispenses the marijuana or a
L126	marijuana delivery device <u>to</u> enter into the medical marijuana
L127	use registry his or her name or unique employee identifier.
L128	d. Before dispensing to a qualified patient or caregiver,
L129	shall must verify that the qualified patient and, if applicable,
L130	the caregiver, if applicable, each have an active registration
L131	in the medical marijuana use registry and an active and valid
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1132	medical marijuana use registry identification card; that, the
1133	amount and type of marijuana dispensed matches the physician
1134	certification in the medical marijuana use registry for that
1135	qualified patient; $_{ au}$ and that the physician certification has not
1136	already been filled.
1137	e. Before dispensing to a qualified patient or caregiver,
1138	shall label the marijuana or the marijuana delivery device with
1139	the name of the physician who issued the physician certification
1140	and the name of the patient for whom the certification was
1141	issued.
1142	<u>f.</u> May not dispense marijuana to a qualified patient <del>who is</del>
1143	younger than 18 years of age. If the qualified patient is
1144	younger than 18 years of age, marijuana may <del>only</del> be dispensed
1145	only to the qualified patient's caregiver.
1146	g. May sell marijuana to an adult 21 years of age or older
1147	pursuant to s. 381.990, provided that the MMTC is registered
1148	with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation
1149	pursuant to that section. When selling marijuana pursuant to
1150	that section, the employee selling the marijuana must determine
1151	that the appearance of the buyer is such that a prudent person
1152	would believe the buyer to be 21 years of age or older or must
1153	carefully check the buyer's driver license, identification card
1154	issued by this state or another state of the United States,
1155	passport, or United States Armed Services identification card to
1156	determine the buyer's age. Other than for the purpose of
1157	determining a buyer's age, an MMTC may not request or store any
1158	personal information provided by the buyer.
1159	h.f. May not dispense or sell any <del>other type of cannabis,</del>
1160	alcohol $_{ au}$ or illicit drug-related product, including pipes or

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1161	wrapping papers made with tobacco or hemp, other than a
1162	marijuana delivery device required for the medical use of
1163	marijuana and which is specified in a physician certification.
1164	<u>i.g.</u> Must, Upon dispensing the marijuana or marijuana
1165	delivery device to a qualified patient or caregiver, shall
1166	record in the registry the date, time, quantity, and form of
1167	marijuana dispensed; the type of marijuana delivery device
1168	dispensed; and the name and medical marijuana use registry
1169	identification number of the qualified patient or caregiver to
1170	whom the marijuana delivery device was dispensed.
1171	j.h. Shall Must ensure that patient records are not visible
1172	to anyone other than the qualified patient, his or her
1173	caregiver, and authorized <u>MMTC</u> medical marijuana treatment
1174	center employees.
1175	(e) (f) <u>Security.</u> To ensure the safety and security of
1176	premises where the cultivation, processing, storing, or
1177	dispensing of marijuana occurs, and to maintain adequate
1178	controls against the diversion, theft, and loss of marijuana or
1179	marijuana delivery devices, <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana</del>
1180	treatment center shall do all of the following:
1181	1.a. Maintain a fully operational security alarm system
1182	that secures all entry points and perimeter windows and is
1183	equipped with motion detectors; pressure switches; and duress,
1184	panic, and hold-up alarms. <del>; and</del>

b. Maintain a video surveillance system that records continuously, 24 hours a day, and meets <u>all of</u> the following criteria:

(I) Cameras are fixed in a place that allows for the clear identification of persons and activities in controlled areas of

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1190	the premises. Controlled areas include grow rooms, processing
1191	rooms, storage rooms, disposal rooms or areas, and point-of-sale
1192	rooms.
1193	(II) Cameras are fixed in entrances and exits to the
1194	premises <u>in a place that allows recording</u> , which shall record
1195	from both indoor and outdoor, or ingress and egress, vantage
1196	points.
1197	(III) <u>Images are</u> recorded <del>images must</del> clearly and
1198	accurately <u>displaying</u> <del>display</del> the time and date <u>of recording</u> .
1199	<u>c.<del>(IV)</del> Retain video surveillance recordings for at least 45</u>
1200	days or longer upon the request of a law enforcement agency.
1201	2. Ensure that the MMTC's medical marijuana treatment
1202	center's outdoor premises have sufficient lighting from dusk
1203	until dawn.
1204	3. Ensure that the indoor premises where dispensing occurs
1205	include includes a waiting area with sufficient space and
1206	seating to accommodate qualified patients and caregivers and at
1207	least one private consultation area that is isolated from <u>both</u>
1208	the waiting area and <u>the</u> area where dispensing occurs. <u>An MMTC</u> A
1209	medical marijuana treatment center may not display products or
1210	dispense marijuana or marijuana delivery devices in the waiting
1211	area.
1212	4. Cease dispensing Not dispense from its premises
1213	marijuana or <del>a</del> marijuana delivery <u>devices from its premises</u>
1214	<del>device</del> between the hours of <u>11 p.m.</u> <del>9 p.m.</del> and 7 a.m., but may
1215	perform all other operations and deliver marijuana to qualified
1216	patients 24 hours a day.
1217	5. Store marijuana in a secured, locked room or a vault.
1218	6. Require at least two of its employees, or two employees
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1219	of a security agency with whom it contracts, to be on the
1220	premises <del>at all times</del> where cultivation, processing, or storing
1221	of marijuana occurs <u>, at all times</u> .
1222	7. Require each employee or contractor to wear a photo
1223	identification badge at all times while on the premises.
1224	8. Require each visitor to wear a visitor pass at all times
1225	while on the premises.
1226	9. Implement an alcohol and drug-free workplace policy.
1227	10. Report to <u>a</u> local law enforcement <u>agency</u> within 24
1228	hours after the <u>MMTC</u> medical marijuana treatment center is
1229	notified or becomes aware of the theft, diversion, or loss of
1230	marijuana.
1231	(f) Transportation licenses; vehicle permits
1232	1. A registered MMTC may apply for a transportation
1233	license. When applying, the MMTC must provide the department
1234	with, at a minimum, all of the following:
1235	a. The physical address of the MMTC's place of business.
1236	b. Proof that the MMTC has a documentation system in
1237	accordance with the required seed-to-sale tracking system,
1238	including transportation manifests, for transporting marijuana
1239	between licensed facilities and to qualified patients.
1240	Transportation manifests may be electronically stored and
1241	presented.
1242	c. Proof of the MMTC's compliance with health and
1243	sanitation standards for the transportation of marijuana.
1244	d. Proof that all marijuana transported between licensed
1245	facilities will be transported in tamper-evident shipping
1246	containers.
1247	2. An MMTC with a transportation license may not transport
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1248	marijuana on the property of an airport, a seaport, a spaceport,
1249	or any property of the Federal Government.
1250	3. An MMTC with a transportation license may transport
1251	marijuana and marijuana delivery devices only in a vehicle that
1252	is owned or leased by the MMTC or the MMTC's contractor and for
1253	which a valid vehicle permit has been issued by the department.
1254	4. An MMTC with a transportation license may obtain a
1255	vehicle permit upon submission of an application. The MMTC shall
1256	designate as the driver for each permitted vehicle an employee
1257	or contracted employee who is registered with the department and
1258	who is authorized to possess marijuana when not on the property
1259	of the MMTC. Such designation must be displayed in the vehicle
1260	at all times. Each permitted vehicle must be GPS-monitored. A
1261	vehicle permit remains valid and does not expire unless the MMTC
1262	or its contractor disposes of the permitted vehicle or the
1263	MMTC's registration or transportation license is transferred,
1264	canceled, not renewed, or revoked by the department. The
1265	department shall cancel a vehicle permit upon the request of the
1266	MMTC or its contractor.
1267	5. When transporting marijuana, a permitted vehicle is
1268	subject to inspection and search without a search warrant by
1269	authorized employees of the department, sheriffs, deputy
1270	sheriffs, police officers, or other law enforcement officers to
1271	determine whether the MMTC is operating in compliance with this
1272	section.
1273	6. An MMTC with a transportation license may deliver, or
1274	contract for the delivery of, marijuana and marijuana delivery
1275	devices to other MMTCs within this state, to qualified patients
1276	and caregivers within this state, and to adults 21 years of age

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1277	or older within this state. A county or municipality may not
1278	prohibit deliveries of marijuana or marijuana delivery devices
1279	to qualified patients or caregivers within the county or
1280	municipality. Deliveries may be made only to the qualified
1281	patient who placed the order or his or her caregiver. When
1282	delivering to a qualified patient or caregiver, an MMTC or its
1283	contractor shall verify the identity of the qualified patient
1284	upon placement of the delivery order and, again, upon delivery.
1285	When delivering marijuana to an adult 21 years of age or older,
1286	an MMTC or its contractor shall verify the age of the buyer upon
1287	placement of the order and, again, upon delivery. In order to
1288	verify the age of the buyer, the MMTC must determine that the
1289	appearance of the buyer is such that a prudent person would
1290	believe the buyer to be 21 years of age or older or must
1291	carefully check the buyer's driver license, identification card
1292	issued by this state or another state of the United States,
1293	passport, or United States Armed Services identification card to
1294	determine the buyer's age. The department shall adopt rules
1295	specific to the delivery of marijuana which include both of the
1296	following:
1297	a. Procedures for verifying the age and identity of the
1298	person placing an order and receiving a delivery, as
1299	appropriate, including required training for delivery personnel.
1300	b. A maximum dispensary value for all marijuana and
1301	currency that may be in the possession of a registered MMTC
1302	employee or contractor while he or she makes a delivery. The
1303	maximum value established by rule may not be less than \$5,000.
1304	7. Licensees under this subsection may use contractors to
1305	assist with the transportation of marijuana. A licensee is

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1306	ultimately responsible for all of the actions and operations of
1307	each contractor relating to the transportation of marijuana and
1308	must know the location of all marijuana products at all times.
1309	To participate in the operations of a licensee under this
1310	subsection, a principal or an employee of a contractor
1311	contracted by the licensee must first register with the
1312	department under subsection (9) and be issued an MMTC employee
1313	identification card.
1314	(g) <u>Facility permits</u>
1315	1. Before cultivating, processing, dispensing, or storing
1316	marijuana at any location, an MMTC shall apply to the department
1317	for the applicable facility permit for that location. The
1318	department shall adopt by rule an application form. Upon
1319	receiving a request for a permit from a licensee, the department
1320	shall inspect the facility for compliance with this section and
1321	rules adopted hereunder and, upon a determination of compliance,
1322	shall issue a permit to the facility. The department shall issue
1323	or deny a facility permit within 30 days after receiving the
1324	request for the permit.
1325	2. A facility permit expires 2 years after the date it is
1326	issued. Each facility must be inspected by the department for
1327	compliance with this section and department rules before the
1328	facility's permit is renewed.
1329	3. If a facility permit expires or is suspended or revoked,
1330	the MMTC must cease all applicable operations at that facility
1331	until the department inspects the facility and renews or
1332	reinstates the facility's permit.
1333	4. Cultivation facilities and processing facilities:
1334	a. Shall maintain insurance with at least \$1 million of
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1335	hazard and liability insurance per location; and
1336	b. Must be secure, closed to the public, and, unless an
1337	ordinance allows a facility to be located closer, located at
1338	least 1,000 feet away from any existing public or private
1339	elementary or secondary school, child care facility as defined
1340	in s. 402.302, or licensed service provider offering substance
1341	abuse services.
1342	5. All matters regarding the permitting and regulation of
1343	cultivation facilities and processing facilities, including the
1344	location of such facilities, are preempted to the state.
1345	6. Dispensing facilities and storage facilities:
1346	a. Shall maintain insurance with at least \$500,000 of
1347	hazard and liability insurance for each facility where marijuana
1348	is dispensed or stored; and
1349	b. Unless an ordinance allows a facility to be located
1350	closer, must be located at least 1,000 feet away from any
1351	existing public or private elementary or secondary school, child
1352	care facility as defined in s. 402.302, or licensed service
1353	provider offering substance abuse services.
1354	7. The governing body of a county or municipality, by
1355	ordinance, may prohibit or limit the number of dispensing
1356	facilities located within its jurisdiction but may not prohibit
1357	an MMTC with a retail license or its permitted storage facility
1358	from being located within its jurisdiction if the licensee is
1359	delivering or contracting to deliver marijuana to qualified
1360	patients within that jurisdiction. The department may not issue
1361	a facility permit for a dispensing facility in a county or
1362	municipality in which the board of county commissioners or other
1363	local governing body, as applicable, has adopted such an

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1364	ordinance. A county or municipality may not require, request, or
1365	accept financial contributions or similar benefits from MMTCs;
1366	however, in addition to other taxes authorized by law, a county
1367	or municipality may levy a local business tax on a dispensing
1368	facility. An ordinance adopted by a municipality or county
1369	pursuant to this paragraph may not do any of the following:
1370	a. Provide exclusive access to one or several individuals
1371	or entities to operate dispensing facilities within the
1372	jurisdiction.
1373	b. Prohibit specific individuals or entities from operating
1374	a dispensing facility within the jurisdiction if the ordinance
1375	allows dispensing facilities to operate in the jurisdiction.
1376	c. Prohibit the delivery of marijuana within the
1377	jurisdiction by a properly licensed MMTC located within the
1378	jurisdiction.
1379	8. The department may adopt by rule additional requirements
1380	for the permitting of cultivation, processing, dispensing, and
1381	storage facilities to ensure the sanitary, safe, and secure
1382	cultivation, processing, dispensing, storage, and sale of
1383	marijuana <del>To ensure the safe transport of marijuana and</del>
1384	marijuana delivery devices to medical marijuana treatment
1385	centers, marijuana testing laboratories, or qualified patients,
1386	a medical marijuana treatment center must:
1387	1. Maintain a marijuana transportation manifest in any
1388	vehicle transporting marijuana. The marijuana transportation
1389	manifest must be generated from a medical marijuana treatment
1390	center's seed-to-sale tracking system and include the:
1391	a. Departure date and approximate time of departure.
1392	b. Name, location address, and license number of the
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1393	originating medical marijuana treatment center.
1394	c. Name and address of the recipient of the delivery.
1395	d. Quantity and form of any marijuana or marijuana delivery
1396	device being transported.
1397	e. Arrival date and estimated time of arrival.
1398	f. Delivery vehicle make and model and license plate
1399	number.
1400	g. Name and signature of the medical marijuana treatment
1401	center employees delivering the product.
1402	(I) A copy of the marijuana transportation manifest must be
1403	provided to each individual, medical marijuana treatment center,
1404	or marijuana testing laboratory that receives a delivery. The
1405	individual, or a representative of the center or laboratory,
1406	must sign a copy of the marijuana transportation manifest
1407	acknowledging receipt.
1408	<del>(II) An individual transporting marijuana or a marijuana</del>
1409	delivery device must present a copy of the relevant marijuana
1410	transportation manifest and his or her employee identification
1411	card to a law enforcement officer upon request.
1412	(III) Medical marijuana treatment centers and marijuana
1413	testing laboratories must retain copies of all marijuana
1414	transportation manifests for at least 3 years.
1415	2. Ensure only vehicles in good working order are used to
1416	transport marijuana.
1417	3. Lock marijuana and marijuana delivery devices in a
1418	separate compartment or container within the vehicle.
1419	4. Require employees to have possession of their employee
1420	identification card at all times when transporting marijuana or
1421	marijuana delivery devices.

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1422	5. Require at least two persons to be in a vehicle
1423	transporting marijuana or marijuana delivery devices, and
1424	require at least one person to remain in the vehicle while the
1425	marijuana or marijuana delivery device is being delivered.
1426	6. Provide specific safety and security training to
1427	employees transporting or delivering marijuana and marijuana
1428	delivery devices.
1429	(h) <u>Advertising.</u> —An MMTC <del>A medical marijuana treatment</del>
1430	center may not engage in advertising that is visible to members
1431	of the public from any street, sidewalk, park, or other public
1432	place, except:
1433	1. An MMTC dispensing facility The dispensing location of A
1434	medical marijuana treatment center may have a sign <del>that is</del>
1435	affixed to the outside or hanging in the window of the premises
1436	which identifies the <u>dispensing facility</u> <del>dispensary</del> by the
1437	licensee's business name, a department-approved trade name, or a
1438	department-approved logo. <u>An MMTC's</u> <del>A medical marijuana</del>
1439	treatment center's trade name and logo may not contain wording
1440	or images that are attractive to children <del>or which promote</del>
1441	recreational use of marijuana.
1442	2. <u>An MMTC</u> <del>A medical marijuana treatment center</del> may engage
1443	in Internet advertising and marketing under the following
1444	conditions:
1445	a. All advertisements must be approved by the department.
1446	b. An advertisement may not have any content that is
1447	attractive to children or which promotes the recreational use of
1448	marijuana.
1449	c. An advertisement may not be an unsolicited pop-up
1450	advertisement.
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L451	d. Opt-in marketing must include an easy and permanent opt-
L452	out feature.
L453	(i) Online retail catalogs.—Each retail MMTC medical
L454	marijuana treatment center that dispenses marijuana and
L455	marijuana delivery devices shall make <u>all of the following</u>
L456	available to the public on its website:
L457	1. Each marijuana and low-THC product available for
L458	purchase, including the form, strain of marijuana from which it
L459	was extracted, cannabidiol content, tetrahydrocannabinol
L460	content, dose unit, total number of doses available, and the
L461	ratio of cannabidiol to tetrahydrocannabinol for each product.
L462	2. The price for a 30-day, 50-day, and 70-day supply at a
L463	standard dose for each marijuana and low-THC product available
L464	for purchase.
L465	3. The price for each marijuana delivery device available
L466	for purchase.
L467	4. If applicable, any discount policies and eligibility
L468	criteria for such discounts.
L469	(j) <u>Sourcing of marijuana for medical use.—MMTCs</u> <del>Medical</del>
L470	marijuana treatment centers are the sole source from which a
L471	person qualified patient may legally obtain marijuana.
L472	(k) <u>Rulemaking.</u> The department may adopt rules pursuant to
L473	ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this subsection.
L474	(9) MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER PERSONNEL;
L475	REGISTRATION; EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION CARDS
L476	(a) The department shall adopt rules to administer the
L477	registration of MMTC principals, employees, and contractors who
L478	participate in the operations of an MMTC. Before hiring or
L479	contracting with any individual who is not registered with the

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1480	department or who does not possess a current MMTC employee
1481	identification card, an MMTC must apply to the department to
1482	register that person as an MMTC employee. The department shall
1483	adopt by rule a form for such applications for registration,
1484	which must require the applicant to provide all of the
1485	following:
1486	1. His or her full legal name, social security number, date
1487	of birth, and home address.
1488	2. A full-face, passport-type, color photograph of the
1489	applicant taken within 90 days immediately preceding submission
1490	of the application.
1491	3. Proof that he or she has passed a level 2 background
1492	screening pursuant to chapter 435 within the previous year.
1493	4. An indication as to whether the applicant will be
1494	authorized by the MMTC to possess marijuana while not on MMTC
1495	property.
1496	(b) Once the department has received a completed
1497	application form from an MMTC, the department shall register the
1498	principal, employee, or contractor associated with the MMTC and
1499	issue him or her an MMTC employee identification card that, at a
1500	minimum, includes all of the following:
1501	1. The employee's name and the name of the MMTC that
1502	employs him or her.
1503	2. The employee's photograph, as required under paragraph
1504	<u>(a).</u>
1505	3. The expiration date of the card, which must be 1 year
1506	after the date it is issued.
1507	4. An indication of whether the employee is authorized by
1508	the MMTC to possess marijuana while not on MMTC property.
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1509	(c) If any information provided to the department for the
1510	registration of an MMTC principal, employee, or contractor or in
1511	the application for an MMTC employee identification card
1512	changes, or if the registered person's employment status with
1513	the MMTC changes, the registered person and the MMTC must
1514	provide the department with the new information or status within
1515	7 days after the change.
1516	(d) The department may contract with one or more vendors
1517	for the purpose of issuing MMTC employee identification cards
1518	under this subsection BACKGROUND SCREENINGAn individual
1519	required to undergo a background screening pursuant to this
1520	section must pass a level 2 background screening as provided
1521	under chapter 435, which, in addition to the disqualifying
1522	offenses provided in s. 435.04, shall exclude an individual who
1523	has an arrest awaiting final disposition for, has been found
1524	guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or has entered a plea of
1525	nolo contendere or guilty to an offense under chapter 837,
1526	chapter 895, or chapter 896 or similar law of another
1527	jurisdiction. Exemptions from disqualification as provided under
1528	s. 435.07 do not apply to this subsection.
1529	(a) Such individual must submit a full set of fingerprints
1530	to the department or to a vendor, entity, or agency authorized
1531	by s. 943.053(13). The department, vendor, entity, or agency
1532	shall forward the fingerprints to the Department of Law
1533	Enforcement for state processing, and the Department of Law
1534	Enforcement shall forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau
1535	of Investigation for national processing.
1536	(b) Fees for state and federal fingerprint processing and
1537	retention shall be borne by the medical marijuana treatment
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1538	center or caregiver, as applicable. The state cost for
1539	fingerprint processing shall be as provided in s. 943.053(3)(e)
1540	for records provided to persons or entities other than those
1541	specified as exceptions therein.
1542	(c) Fingerprints submitted to the Department of Law
1543	Enforcement pursuant to this subsection shall be retained by the
1544	Department of Law Enforcement as provided in s. 943.05(2)(g) and
1545	(h) and, when the Department of Law Enforcement begins
1546	participation in the program, enrolled in the Federal Bureau of
1547	Investigation's national retained print arrest notification
1548	program. Any arrest record identified shall be reported to the
1549	department.
1550	(10) MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER INSPECTIONS;
1551	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS
1552	(a) The department shall conduct announced or unannounced
1553	inspections of medical marijuana treatment centers to determine
1554	compliance with this section or rules adopted pursuant to this
1555	section.
1556	(b) The department shall inspect a medical marijuana
1557	<del>treatment center</del> Upon receiving a complaint or notice that <u>an</u>
1558	MMTC the medical marijuana treatment center has dispensed
1559	marijuana containing mold, bacteria, or <u>any</u> other contaminant
1560	that may cause or has caused an adverse effect to human health
1561	or the environment, the department shall inspect the MMTC, its
1562	facilities, and, as appropriate, any cultivation or processing
1563	facility of the MMTC from which the batch of marijuana was
1564	purchased.
1565	<u>(b)</u> The department shall conduct at least a biennial
1566	inspection of each MMTC medical marijuana treatment center to

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17-00875A-25 20251390 1567 evaluate its the medical marijuana treatment center's records, 1568 personnel, equipment, processes, security measures, sanitation 1569 practices, and quality assurance practices. 1570 (c) The department shall conduct at least a biennial 1571 inspection of each permitted facility. The department may 1572 conduct additional announced or unannounced inspections of a 1573 permitted facility within reasonable hours in order to ensure 1574 compliance with this section and rules adopted hereunder. 1575 (d) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and 1576 the department shall enter into an interagency agreement to 1577 ensure cooperation and coordination in the performance of their 1578 obligations under this section and their respective regulatory 1579 and authorizing laws. The department, the Department of Highway 1580 Safety and Motor Vehicles, and the Department of Law Enforcement 1581 may enter into interagency agreements for the purposes specified 1582 in this subsection or subsection (7). 1583 (e) The department shall publish a list of all approved 1584 MMTCs medical marijuana treatment centers, medical directors, 1585 and qualified physicians on its website. 1586 (f) The department may impose administrative penalties, 1587 including reasonable fines not to exceed \$10,000, on an MMTC a 1588 medical marijuana treatment center for any of the following 1589 violations: 1590 1. Violating this section or department rule. 1591 2. Failing to maintain gualifications for approval. 1592 Endangering the health, safety, or security of a 3. 1593 qualified patient or an adult purchasing marijuana pursuant to 1594 s. 381.990.

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17-00875A-25 20251390 1596 information of the qualified patient. 1597 5. Attempting to procure MMTC medical marijuana treatment 1598 center approval by bribery, fraudulent misrepresentation, or 1599 extortion. 1600 6. Being convicted or found guilty of, or entering a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a 1601 1602 crime in any jurisdiction which directly relates to the business 1603 of an MMTC a medical marijuana treatment center. 1604 7. Making or filing a report or record that the MMTC 1605 medical marijuana treatment center knows to be false. 1606 8. Willfully failing to maintain a record required by this 1607 section or department rule. 1608 9. Willfully impeding or obstructing an employee or agent 1609 of the department in the furtherance of his or her official duties. 1610 1611 10. Engaging in fraud or deceit, negligence, incompetence, 1612 or misconduct in the business practices of an MMTC a medical 1613 marijuana treatment center. 1614 11. Making misleading, deceptive, or fraudulent 1615 representations in or related to the business practices of an 1616 MMTC a medical marijuana treatment center. 1617 12. Having a license or the authority to engage in any regulated profession, occupation, or business that is related to 1618 1619 the business practices of an MMTC a medical marijuana treatment 1620 center suspended, revoked, or otherwise acted against by the 1621 licensing authority of any jurisdiction, including its agencies 1622 or subdivisions, for a violation that would constitute a violation under Florida law. 1623 1624 13. Violating a lawful order of the department or an agency

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1625	of the state, or failing to comply with a lawfully issued
1626	subpoena of the department or an agency of the state.
1627	14. Failing to determine adequately the age of a buyer who
1628	is not a qualified patient or caregiver.
1629	(g) The department may suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew
1630	an MMTC's registration, operating licenses, and any vehicle
1631	permits or facility permits a medical marijuana treatment center
1632	<del>license</del> if the <u>MMTC</u> medical marijuana treatment center commits
1633	any of the violations <u>specified</u> in paragraph (f).
1634	(h) The department shall refuse to renew the cultivation,
1635	processing, retail, or transportation license of an MMTC that
1636	has not begun to cultivate, process, dispense, or transport
1637	marijuana, as applicable, by the date that the MMTC is required
1638	to renew such license.
1639	<u>(i)</u> The department may adopt rules pursuant to ss.
1640	120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this subsection.
1641	(11) PREEMPTIONRegulation of cultivation, processing, and
1642	delivery of marijuana by <u>MMTCs</u> <del>medical marijuana treatment</del>
1643	<del>centers</del> is preempted to the state except as provided in this
1644	subsection.
1645	(a) <u>An MMTC</u> <del>A medical marijuana treatment center</del>
1646	cultivating or processing facility may not be located within 500
1647	feet of the real property that comprises a public or private
1648	elementary school, middle school, or secondary school.
1649	(b)1. A county or municipality may, by ordinance, ban MMTC
1650	medical marijuana treatment center dispensing facilities from
1651	being located within the boundaries of that county or
1652	municipality. A county or municipality that does not ban
1653	dispensing facilities under this subparagraph may not place
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17-00875A-25 20251390 1654 specific limits, by ordinance, on the number of dispensing 1655 facilities that may locate within that county or municipality. 1656 2. A municipality may determine by ordinance the criteria 1657 for the location of, and other permitting requirements that do 1658 not conflict with state law or department rule for, MMTC medical marijuana treatment center dispensing facilities located within 1659 1660 the boundaries of that municipality. A county may determine by 1661 ordinance the criteria for the location of, and other permitting requirements that do not conflict with state law or department 1662 1663 rule for, all such dispensing facilities located within the 1664 unincorporated areas of that county. Except as provided in paragraph (c), a county or municipality may not enact ordinances 1665 1666 for permitting or for determining the location of dispensing 1667 facilities which are more restrictive than its ordinances 1668 permitting or determining the locations for pharmacies licensed 1669 under chapter 465. A municipality or county may not charge an 1670 MMTC a medical marijuana treatment center a license or permit 1671 fee in an amount greater than the fee charged by such 1672 municipality or county to pharmacies. A dispensing facility 1673 location approved by a municipality or county pursuant to former 1674 s. 381.986(8)(b), Florida Statutes 2016, is not subject to the 1675 location requirements of this subsection. 1676 (c) An MMTC A medical marijuana treatment center dispensing

1676 (C) <u>AN MMIC</u> A medical marrial treatment center dispensing 1677 facility may not be located within 500 feet of the real property 1678 that comprises a public or private elementary school, middle 1679 school, or secondary school unless the county or municipality 1680 approves the location through a formal proceeding open to the 1681 public at which the county or municipality determines that the 1682 location promotes the public health, safety, and general welfare

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1683	of the community.
1684	(d) This subsection does not prohibit any local
1685	jurisdiction from ensuring <u>that MMTC</u> medical marijuana treatment
1686	<del>center</del> facilities comply with the Florida Building Code, the
1687	Florida Fire Prevention Code, or any local amendments to the
1688	Florida Building Code or the Florida Fire Prevention Code.
1689	(12) PENALTIES
1690	(a) A qualified physician commits a misdemeanor of the
1691	first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
1692	775.083, if <u>he or she</u> <del>the qualified physician</del> issues a physician
1693	certification for the medical use of marijuana for a patient
1694	without a reasonable belief that the patient is suffering from a
1695	qualifying medical condition.
1696	(b) A person who fraudulently represents that he or she has
1697	a qualifying medical condition to a qualified physician for the
1698	purpose of being issued a physician certification commits a
1699	misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
1700	775.082 or s. 775.083.
1701	(c) <u>1.</u> A <u>person</u> <del>qualified patient</del> who uses marijuana, not
1702	including low-THC cannabis, or a caregiver who administers
1703	marijuana, not including low-THC cannabis, in plain view of or
1704	in a place open to the general public <u>is subject to a civil fine</u>
1705	not exceeding \$100.
1706	2. A person who uses marijuana, not including low-THC
1707	<u>cannabis,</u> ; in a school bus, a <u>moving</u> vehicle, <u>or</u> an aircraft, <del>or</del>
1708	<del>a boat;</del> or on the grounds of a school except as provided in s.
1709	1006.062, commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable
1710	as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
1711	(d) A <u>person</u> <del>qualified patient or caregiver</del> who cultivates

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17-00875A-25 20251390 1712 marijuana or who purchases or acquires marijuana from any person 1713 or entity other than an MTMC a medical marijuana treatment 1714 center violates s. 893.13 and is subject to the penalties 1715 provided therein. 1716 (e) 1. A qualified patient or caregiver in possession of marijuana or a marijuana delivery device who fails or refuses to 1717 1718 present his or her marijuana use registry identification card 1719 upon the request of a law enforcement officer commits a 1720 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 1721 775.082 or s. 775.083, unless it can be determined through the 1722 medical marijuana use registry that the person is authorized to 1723 be in possession of that marijuana or marijuana delivery device. 1724 2. A person charged with a violation of this paragraph may not be convicted if, before or at the time of his or her court 1725 1726 or hearing appearance, the person produces in court or to the 1727 clerk of the court in which the charge is pending a medical 1728 marijuana use registry identification card issued to him or her which is valid at the time of his or her arrest. The clerk of 1729 1730 the court is authorized to dismiss such case at any time before 1731 the defendant's appearance in court. The clerk of the court may

1733 (f) A caregiver who violates any of the applicable 1734 provisions of this section or applicable department rules, for 1735 the first offense, commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, 1736 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083 and, for a 1737 second or subsequent offense, commits a misdemeanor of the first 1738 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

assess a fee of \$5 for dismissing the case under this paragraph.

1739 <u>(f)</u> (g) A qualified physician who issues a physician 1740 certification for marijuana or a marijuana delivery device and

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1741	 receives compensation from <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana treatment</del>
1742	center related to the issuance of a physician certification for
1743	marijuana or a marijuana delivery device is subject to
1744	disciplinary action under the applicable practice act and s.
1745	456.072(1)(n).
1746	<u>(g)<del>(</del>h)</u> A person transporting marijuana or marijuana
1747	delivery devices on behalf of <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana</del>
1748	<del>treatment center</del> or <u>a</u> marijuana testing laboratory who fails or
1749	refuses to present a transportation manifest, whether in paper
1750	or electronic format, upon the request of a law enforcement
1751	officer commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable
1752	as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
1753	(h) (i) Persons and entities conducting activities
1754	authorized and governed by this section and s. 381.988 are
1755	subject to ss. 456.053, 456.054, and 817.505, as applicable.
1756	(i) (j) A person or entity that cultivates, processes,
1757	distributes, sells, or dispenses marijuana, as defined in s.
1758	29(b)(4), Art. X of the State Constitution, and is not licensed
1759	as <u>an MMTC</u> <del>a medical marijuana treatment center</del> violates s.
1760	893.13 and is subject to the penalties provided therein. This
1761	paragraph does not apply to a transfer of marijuana products or
1762	marijuana which is authorized by this section, s. 381.990, or s.
1763	893.13.
1764	<u>(j)</u> (k) A person who manufactures, distributes, sells,
1765	gives, or possesses with the intent to manufacture, distribute,
1766	sell, or give marijuana or a marijuana delivery device that he
1767	or she holds out to have originated from a licensed $\underline{MMTC}$ $\underline{medical}$
1768	marijuana treatment center but that is counterfeit commits a

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felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.

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17-00875A-25 20251390 1770 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. For the purposes of this 1771 paragraph, the term "counterfeit" means marijuana; a marijuana 1772 delivery device; or a marijuana or marijuana delivery device 1773 container, seal, or label which, without authorization, bears 1774 the trademark, trade name, or other identifying mark, imprint, 1775 or device, or any likeness thereof, of a licensed MMTC medical 1776 marijuana treatment center and which thereby falsely purports or 1777 is represented to be the product of, or to have been distributed by, that licensed MMTC medical marijuana treatment facility. 1778 1779 (k) (1) A Any person who possesses or manufactures a blank, 1780 forged, stolen, fictitious, fraudulent, counterfeit, or otherwise unlawfully issued medical marijuana use registry 1781 1782 identification card commits a felony of the third degree, 1783 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 1784 (14) EXCEPTIONS TO OTHER LAWS.-1785 (a) Notwithstanding s. 893.13, s. 893.135, s. 893.147, or 1786 any other provision of law, but subject to the requirements of 1787 this section, a qualified patient and the qualified patient's 1788 caregiver may purchase from an MMTC a medical marijuana 1789 treatment center for the patient's medical use a marijuana 1790 delivery device and up to the amount of marijuana authorized in 1791 the physician certification, but may not possess more than a 70-1792 day supply of marijuana, or the greater of 4 ounces of marijuana 1793 in a form for smoking or an amount of marijuana in a form for 1794 smoking approved by the department pursuant to paragraph (4)(f), 1795 at any given time and all marijuana purchased must remain in its 1796 original packaging.

1797 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), s. 893.13, s. 893.135,
1798 s. 893.147, or any other provision of law, a qualified patient

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17-00875A-25 20251390 1799 and the qualified patient's caregiver may purchase and possess a 1800 marijuana delivery device intended for the medical use of 1801 marijuana by smoking from a vendor other than an MMTC a medical marijuana treatment center. 1802 1803 (c) Notwithstanding s. 893.13, s. 893.135, s. 893.147, or 1804 any other provision of law, but subject to the requirements of 1805 this section, an approved MMTC medical marijuana treatment center and its owners, managers, and employees may manufacture, 1806 possess, sell, deliver, distribute, dispense, and lawfully 1807 1808 dispose of marijuana or a marijuana delivery device as provided 1809 in this section, s. 381.988, s. 381.990, and by department rule. For the purposes of this subsection, the terms "manufacture," 1810 "possession," "deliver," "distribute," and "dispense" have the 1811 same meanings as provided in s. 893.02. 1812 1813 (f) A licensed MMTC medical marijuana treatment center and 1814 its owners, managers, and employees are not subject to licensure 1815 or regulation under chapter 465 or chapter 499 for 1816 manufacturing, possessing, selling, delivering, distributing, 1817 dispensing, or lawfully disposing of marijuana or a marijuana 1818 delivery device, as provided in this section, in s. 381.988, and 1819 by department rule. 1820 (17) Rules adopted pursuant to this section before July 1, 1821 2025, are not subject to ss. 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541. This subsection expires July 1, 2025. 1822 Section 3. Section 381.990, Florida Statutes, is created to 1823 1824 read: 1825 381.990 Adult use of marijuana.-1826 (1) A person 21 years of age or older may purchase in a 1827 single transaction marijuana products containing up to 2,000

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1828	milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol; up to 2.5 ounces of
1829	marijuana in a form for smoking; and one or more marijuana
1830	delivery devices, as defined in s. 381.986, provided that such
1831	marijuana products, marijuana in a form for smoking, and
1832	marijuana delivery devices are purchased from a medical
1833	marijuana treatment center (MMTC) that is licensed by the
1834	department pursuant to s. 381.986 for the retail sale of
1835	marijuana and registered by the Department of Business and
1836	Professional Regulation for the sale of marijuana for adult use.
1837	A violation of this subsection is punishable as provided in s.
1838	893.13.
1839	(2) A person 21 years of age or older who purchases
1840	marijuana products, marijuana in a form for smoking, or
1841	marijuana delivery devices in accordance with subsection (1) may
1842	possess, use, transport, and transfer, without consideration, to
1843	another person 21 years of age or older such products or
1844	devices. However, a person may not at any time possess marijuana
1845	products that, in total, contain more than 2,000 milligrams of
1846	tetrahydrocannabinol or more than 4 ounces of marijuana in a
1847	form for smoking. A violation of this subsection is punishable
1848	as provided in s. 893.13.
1849	(3) This section does not limit the ability of a private
1850	property owner to restrict the smoking or vaping of marijuana on
1851	his or her private property; however, a landlord may not prevent
1852	his or her tenants from possessing or using marijuana by other
1853	means.
1854	(4) This section does not exempt a person from prosecution
1855	for a criminal offense related to impairment or intoxication
1856	resulting from the use of marijuana or relieve a person from any

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1857	requirement under law to submit to a breath, blood, or urine
1858	test or any other test to detect the presence of a controlled
1859	substance.
1860	Section 4. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer
1861	Services shall adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and
1862	120.54, Florida Statutes, regulating the cultivation of
1863	marijuana by members of the public for their private use,
1864	including the use of a cooperative model for cultivation. The
1865	department shall adopt the rules no later than October 1, 2025.
1866	Section 5. Subsection (3) and paragraphs (a) and (b) of
1867	subsection (6) of section 893.13, Florida Statutes, are amended
1868	to read:
1869	893.13 Prohibited acts; penalties
1870	(3) (a) A person 21 years of age or older may, without
1871	consideration, deliver to another person 21 years of age or
1872	<u>older:</u>
1873	1. Marijuana products that contain a total of 2,000
1874	milligrams or less of tetrahydrocannabinol; and
1875	2. A quantity of 2.5 ounces or less of cannabis, as defined
1876	in this chapter.
1877	(b) A person younger than 21 years of age who, without
1878	consideration, delivers to another person marijuana products
1879	that contain a total of 2,000 milligrams or less of
1880	tetrahydrocannabinol or a quantity of 2.5 ounces or less of
1881	cannabis, as defined in this chapter, commits a misdemeanor of
1882	the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
1883	775.083, for a first conviction of a violation of this paragraph
1884	and commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as
1885	provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, for a second or subsequent

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17-00875A-25 20251390 1886 conviction of a violation of this paragraph who delivers, 1887 without consideration, 20 grams or less of cannabis, as defined 1888 in this chapter, commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, 1889 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. As used in 1890 this subsection, the term "cannabis" does not include the resin 1891 extracted from the plants of the genus Cannabis or any compound 1892 manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such 1893 resin. 1894 (6) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a 1895 person may not be in actual or constructive possession of a 1896 controlled substance unless such controlled substance was 1897 lawfully obtained from a practitioner or pursuant to a valid prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the 1898 1899 course of his or her professional practice or to be in actual or constructive possession of a controlled substance except as 1900 1901 otherwise authorized by this chapter. A person who violates this 1902 provision commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 1903 1904 (b)1. A person 21 years of age or older may possess 1905 marijuana products that contain a total of 2,000 milligrams or 1906 less of tetrahydrocannabinol and may possess 4 ounces or less of 1907 cannabis, as defined in this chapter If the offense is the 1908 possession of 20 grams or less of cannabis, as defined in this 1909 chapter, the person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, 1910 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. As used in 1911 this subsection, the term "cannabis" does not include the resin 1912 extracted from the plants of the genus Cannabis, or any compound manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such 1913 1914 resin.

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1915	2. A person under 21 years of age who possesses marijuana
1916	products that contain a total of 2,000 milligrams or less of
1917	tetrahydrocannabinol or who possesses 4 ounces or less of
1918	cannabis, as defined in this chapter, commits a misdemeanor of
1919	the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
1920	775.083, for a first conviction of a violation of this paragraph
1921	and a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in
1922	s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, for a second or subsequent conviction
1923	of a violation of this paragraph.
1924	Section 6. Section 893.1352, Florida Statutes, is created
1925	to read:
1926	893.1352 Retroactive application of s. 893.13
1927	(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to apply amendments
1928	to s. 893.13 retroactively to certain persons who were convicted
1929	of possession of cannabis before January 1, 2026.
1930	(2) As used in this section, a reference to "former s.
1931	893.13, Florida Statutes 2025," is a reference to s. 893.13 as
1932	it existed at any time before January 1, 2026.
1933	(3)(a) A person who was convicted of a violation of former
1934	s. 893.13, Florida Statutes 2025, for possessing 4 ounces or
1935	less of cannabis as defined in chapter 893, but was not
1936	sentenced under that section before January 1, 2026, must be
1937	sentenced in accordance with s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
1938	775.084 for the degree of offense provided in s. 893.13.
1939	(b) A person who was convicted of a violation of former s.
1940	893.13, Florida Statutes 2025, for possessing 4 ounces or less
1941	of cannabis as defined in chapter 893, who was sentenced before
1942	January 1, 2026, to a term of imprisonment or probation pursuant
1943	to former s. 893.13, Florida Statutes 2025, and who is serving

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1944	the term of imprisonment or probation on or after January 1,
1945	2026, must have an opportunity for a sentence review hearing. If
1946	the person requests a sentence review hearing, he or she must be
1947	resentenced in accordance with paragraph (c).
1948	(c) Resentencing under this section must occur in the
1949	following manner:
1950	1. The Department of Corrections shall notify the person
1951	described in paragraph (b) of his or her eligibility to request
1952	a sentence review hearing.
1953	2. A person seeking sentence review under this section may
1954	submit an application to the court of original jurisdiction
1955	requesting that a sentence review hearing be held. The
1956	sentencing court retains original jurisdiction for the duration
1957	of the sentence for the purpose of this review.
1958	3. A person who is eligible for a sentence review hearing
1959	under this section is entitled to representation by legal
1960	counsel. If the person is indigent and unable to employ counsel,
1961	the court must appoint counsel under s. 27.52. Determination of
1962	indigence and costs of representation is as provided in ss.
1963	27.52 and 938.29.
1964	4. Upon receipt of a request for a sentence review hearing,
1965	the court of original jurisdiction shall hold such hearing to
1966	determine whether the person meets the criteria for resentencing
1967	under this section. If the court determines by a preponderance
1968	of the evidence that the person is currently serving a sentence
1969	for a violation of former s. 893.13, Florida Statutes 2025, and
1970	that the violation was for possession of cannabis in the amount
1971	of 4 ounces or less, the court must resentence the person in
1972	accordance with this section. If the court determines that the

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1973	person does not meet the criteria for resentencing under this
1974	section, the court must provide written findings as to why the
1975	person does not meet the criteria.
1976	5. If the court finds that the underlying facts of a
1977	conviction that is subject to resentencing are classified as a
1978	crime under s. 893.13, the person must be resentenced to a term
1979	that would not exceed the maximum sentence provided by that
1980	section. The person is entitled to receive credit for his or her
1981	time served.
1982	6. If the court finds that the underlying facts of a
1983	conviction that is subject to resentencing are not classified as
1984	a crime under s. 893.13, the person must be resentenced to time
1985	served and released from supervision as soon as reasonably
1986	possible.
1987	(4) Notwithstanding any other law, a person who has been
1988	convicted of a crime under former s. 893.13, Florida Statutes
1989	2025, and whose offense would not be classified as a crime under
1990	s. 893.13, must have all fines, fees, and costs related to such
1991	conviction waived.
1992	Section 7. Present subsections (5), (6), and (7) of section
1993	893.147, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (6),
1994	(7), and (8), respectively, a new subsection (5) is added to
1995	that section, and subsections (1), (2), and (4) of that section
1996	are amended, to read:
1997	893.147 Use, possession, manufacture, delivery,
1998	transportation, advertisement, or retail sale of drug
1999	paraphernalia, specified machines, and materials
2000	(1) USE OR POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA <u>Except as</u>
2001	provided in subsection (5), it is unlawful for any person to
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2002	use, or to possess with intent to use, drug paraphernalia:
2003	(a) To plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest,
2004	manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test,
2005	analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, or conceal a controlled
2006	substance in violation of this chapter; or
2007	(b) To inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce into
2008	the human body a controlled substance in violation of this
2009	chapter.
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2011	Any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a
2012	misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
2013	775.082 or s. 775.083.
2014	(2) MANUFACTURE OR DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA <u>Except</u>
2015	as provided in subsection (5), it is unlawful for any person to
2016	deliver, possess with intent to deliver, or manufacture with
2017	intent to deliver drug paraphernalia, knowing, or under
2018	circumstances where one reasonably should know, that it will be
2019	used:
2020	(a) To plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest,
2021	manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test,
2022	analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, or conceal a controlled
2023	substance in violation of this act; or
2024	(b) To inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce into
2025	the human body a controlled substance in violation of this act.
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2027	Any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a felony of
2028	the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s.
2029	775.083, or s. 775.084.
2030	(4) TRANSPORTATION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIAExcept as
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2031	provided in subsection (5), it is unlawful to use, possess with
2032	the intent to use, or manufacture with the intent to use drug
2033	paraphernalia, knowing or under circumstances in which one
2034	reasonably should know that it will be used to transport:
2035	(a) A controlled substance in violation of this chapter; or
2036	(b) Contraband as defined in s. 932.701(2)(a)1.
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2038	Any person who violates this subsection commits a felony of the
2039	third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,
2040	or s. 775.084.
2041	(5) ACTS INVOLVING A MARIJUANA DELIVERY DEVICE
2042	(a) A person 21 years of age or older may possess, use,
2043	transport, or deliver, without consideration, to another person
2044	21 years of age or older a marijuana delivery device as defined
2045	<u>in s. 381.986.</u>
2046	(b) A person younger than 21 years of age who possesses,
2047	uses, transports, or delivers, without consideration, a
2048	marijuana delivery device as defined in s. 381.986 commits a
2049	misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.
2050	775.082 or s. 775.083 for a first conviction of a violation of
2051	this paragraph and a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable
2052	as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, for a second or
2053	subsequent conviction of a violation of this paragraph.
2054	Section 8. Section 943.0586, Florida Statutes, is created
2055	to read:
2056	943.0586 Cannabis expunction
2057	(1) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, the term:
2058	(a) "Cannabis" has the same meaning as provided in chapter
2059	<u>893.</u>
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2060	(b) "Expunction" has the same meaning and effect as
2061	provided in s. 943.0585.
2062	(c) "Former s. 893.13, Florida Statutes 2025," is a
2063	reference to s. 893.13 as it existed at any time before January
2064	<u>1, 2026.</u>
2065	(2) ELIGIBILITYNotwithstanding any other law, a person is
2066	eligible to petition a court to expunge a criminal history
2067	record for the conviction of former s. 893.13, Florida Statutes
2068	2025, if:
2069	(a) The person received a withholding of adjudication or
2070	adjudication of guilt for a violation of former s. 893.13,
2071	Florida Statutes 2025, for the possession of cannabis;
2072	(b) The person possessed 4 ounces or less of cannabis; and
2073	(c) The person is no longer under court supervision related
2074	to the disposition of arrest or alleged criminal activity to
2075	which the petition to expunge pertains.
2076	(3) CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITYBefore petitioning a court
2077	to expunge a criminal history record under this section, a
2078	person seeking to expunge such record must apply to the
2079	department for a certificate of eligibility for expunction. The
2080	department shall adopt rules to establish procedures for
2081	applying for and issuing a certificate of eligibility for
2082	expunction.
2083	(a) The department shall issue a certificate of eligibility
2084	for expunction to a person who is the subject of a criminal
2085	history record under this section, if that person:
2086	1. Satisfies the eligibility criteria in subsection (2);
2087	2. Has submitted to the department a written certified
2088	statement from the appropriate state attorney or statewide
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2089	prosecutor which confirms the criminal history record complies
2090	with the criteria in subsection (2); and
2091	3. Has submitted to the department a certified copy of the
2092	disposition of the charge to which the petition to expunge
2093	pertains.
2094	(b) A certificate of eligibility for expunction is valid
2095	for 12 months after the date of issuance stamped by the
2096	department on the certificate. After that time, the petitioner
2097	must reapply to the department for a new certificate of
2098	eligibility. The petitioner's status and the law in effect at
2099	the time of the renewal application determine the petitioner's
2100	eligibility.
2101	(4) PETITIONEach petition to expunge a criminal history
2102	record must be accompanied by:
2103	(a) A valid certificate of eligibility issued by the
2104	department.
2105	(b) The petitioner's sworn statement that he or she:
2106	1. Satisfies the eligibility requirements for expunction in
2107	subsection (2); and
2108	2. Is eligible for expunction to the best of his or her
2109	knowledge.
2110	(5) PENALTIES.—A person who knowingly provides false
2111	information on his or her sworn statement submitted with a
2112	petition to expunge commits a felony of the third degree,
2113	punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
2114	(6) COURT AUTHORITY
2115	(a) The courts of this state have jurisdiction over their
2116	own procedures, including the maintenance, expunction, and
2117	correction of judicial records containing criminal history

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2118	information, to the extent that such procedures are not
2119	inconsistent with the conditions, responsibilities, and duties
2120	established by this section.
2121	(b) A court of competent jurisdiction shall order a
2122	criminal justice agency to expunge the criminal history record
2123	of a person who complies with this section. The court may not
2124	order a criminal justice agency to expunge a criminal history
2125	record under this section until the person seeking to expunge a
2126	criminal history record has applied for and received a
2127	certificate of eligibility under subsection (3).
2128	(c) Expunction granted under this section does not prevent
2129	the person who receives such relief from petitioning for the
2130	expunction or sealing of a later criminal history record as
2131	provided for in ss. 943.0583, 943.0585, and 943.059, if the
2132	person is otherwise eligible under those sections.
2133	(7) PROCESSING OF A PETITION OR AN ORDER
2134	(a) In judicial proceedings under this section, a copy of
2135	the completed petition to expunge must be served upon the
2136	appropriate state attorney or the statewide prosecutor and upon
2137	the arresting agency; however, it is not necessary to make any
2138	agency other than the state a party. The appropriate state
2139	attorney or the statewide prosecutor and the arresting agency
2140	may respond to the court regarding the completed petition to
2141	expunge.
2142	(b) If relief is granted by the court, the clerk of the
2143	court shall certify copies of the order to the appropriate state
2144	attorney or the statewide prosecutor and the arresting agency.
2145	The arresting agency shall forward the order to any other agency
2146	to which the arresting agency disseminated the criminal history

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2147	record information to which the order pertains. The department
2148	shall forward the order to expunge to the Federal Bureau of
2149	Investigation. The clerk of the court shall certify a copy of
2150	the order to any other agency that the records of the court
2151	reflect has received the criminal history record from the court.
2152	(c) The department or any other criminal justice agency is
2153	not required to act on an order to expunge entered by a court if
2154	such order does not meet the requirements of this section. Upon
2155	receipt of such an order, the department shall notify the
2156	issuing court, the appropriate state attorney or statewide
2157	prosecutor, the petitioner or the petitioner's attorney, and the
2158	arresting agency of the reason for noncompliance. The
2159	appropriate state attorney or statewide prosecutor shall take
2160	action within 60 days to correct the record and petition the
2161	court to void the order. No cause of action, including contempt
2162	of court, may arise against any criminal justice agency for
2163	failure to comply with an order to expunge if the petitioner for
2164	such order failed to obtain the certificate of eligibility as
2165	required by this section or such order does not otherwise meet
2166	the requirements of this section.
2167	(8) EFFECT OF CANNABIS EXPUNCTION ORDER
2168	(a) The person who is the subject of a criminal history
2169	record that is expunged under this section may lawfully deny or
2170	fail to acknowledge any arrest or conviction covered by the
2171	expunged record, except if the person who is the subject of the
2172	record:
2173	1. Is a candidate for employment with a criminal justice
2174	agency;
2175	2. Is a defendant in a criminal prosecution;
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2176	3. Concurrently or subsequently petitions for relief under
2177	this section, s. 943.0583, s. 943.0585, or s. 943.059;
2178	4. Is a candidate for admission to The Florida Bar;
2179	5. Is seeking to be employed or licensed by or to contract
2180	with the Department of Children and Families, the Division of
2181	Vocational Rehabilitation within the Department of Education,
2182	the Agency for Health Care Administration, the Agency for
2183	Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Health, the
2184	Department of Elderly Affairs, or the Department of Juvenile
2185	Justice or to be employed or used by such contractor or licensee
2186	in a sensitive position having direct contact with children,
2187	persons with disabilities, or the elderly;
2188	6. Is seeking to be employed or licensed by the Department
2189	of Education, any district school board, any university
2190	laboratory school, any charter school, any private or parochial
2191	school, or any local governmental entity that licenses child
2192	care facilities;
2193	7. Is seeking to be licensed by the Division of Insurance
2194	Agent and Agency Services within the Department of Financial
2195	Services; or
2196	8. Is seeking to be appointed as a guardian pursuant to s.
2197	744.3125.
2198	(b) A person who has been granted an expunction under this
2199	section and who is authorized under paragraph (a) to lawfully
2200	deny or fail to acknowledge the arrests and convictions covered
2201	by an expunged record may not be held under any law of this
2202	state to have committed perjury or to be otherwise liable for
2203	giving a false statement by reason of his or her failure to
2204	recite or acknowledge an expunged criminal history record.

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           Section 9. Section 893.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to
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      read:
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           893.15 Rehabilitation.-Any person who violates s.
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      893.13(6)(a) or (b) relating to possession may, in the
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      discretion of the trial judge, be required to participate in a
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      substance abuse services program approved or regulated by the
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      Department of Children and Families pursuant to the provisions
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      of chapter 397, provided the director of such program approves
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      the placement of the defendant in such program. Such required
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      participation shall be imposed in addition to any penalty or
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      probation otherwise prescribed by law. However, the total time
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      of such penalty, probation, and program participation may shall
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      not exceed the maximum length of sentence possible for the
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      offense.
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           Section 10. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
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      act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
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becoming a law, this act shall take effect January 1, 2026.

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