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#### 1.1 relating to cannabis; including the Office of Cannabis Management as an agency 1.2 for the purpose of having a government-to-government relationship with Tribal 1.3

1.4	governments; modifying provisions regarding the sale of cannabinoids derived
1.5	from hemp; modifying medical cannabis provisions; modifying hemp-derived
1.6	topical product provisions; modifying cannabis license application requirements;
1.7	modifying the limits of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol in edible cannabinoid products
1.8	and lower-potency hemp edibles when intended to be consumed as beverages;
1.9	allowing samples at cannabis events; modifying expungement and resentencing
1.10	provisions for felony cannabis offenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024,
1.11	sections 10.65, subdivision 2; 151.72, subdivisions 3, 5a; 152.22, subdivisions 4,
1.12	7, 10, 13; 152.24; 152.25; 152.26; 152.261; 152.27, subdivisions 2, 7; 152.28,
1.13	subdivisions 1, 3; 152.29, subdivisions 1, 2, 3a, 4; 152.31; 152.32, subdivision 2;
1.14	152.33, subdivisions 1a, 4; 152.35; 152.37; 342.01, subdivisions 9, 47, 50, 71, by
1.15	adding subdivisions; 342.02, subdivision 3; 342.09, subdivision 2; 342.12; 342.14,
1.16	subdivisions 1, 3, 6; 342.151, subdivisions 2, 3; 342.22, subdivision 3; 342.28,
1.17	subdivisions 1, 8; 342.29, subdivisions 1, 7; 342.30, subdivision 1; 342.32,
1.18	subdivisions 4, 5; 342.33, subdivision 1; 342.40, subdivision 7, by adding a
1.19	subdivision; 342.43, by adding a subdivision; 342.44, subdivision 1; 342.45, by
1.20	adding a subdivision; 342.46, subdivision 6; 342.51, subdivision 2, by adding a
1.21	subdivision; 342.52, subdivision 9, by adding a subdivision; 342.56, subdivision
1.22	2; 342.57; 342.59, subdivision 2; 342.61, subdivision 4; 342.63, subdivisions 2,
1.23	3, 5, 6; 342.66, subdivision 6; 609A.06, subdivisions 3, 7, 10, 12; repealing
1.24	Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 152.22, subdivision 2; 342.151, subdivision 1.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.25

#### Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10.65, subdivision 2, is amended to read: 1.26

#### Subd. 2. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings 1.27 given: 1.28

- (1) "agency" means the Department of Administration; Department of Agriculture; 1.29
- Department of Children, Youth, and Families; Department of Commerce; Department of 1.30
- Corrections; Department of Education; Department of Employment and Economic 1.31

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Development; Department of Health; Office of Higher Education; Housing Finance Agency; 2.1 Department of Human Rights; Department of Human Services; Department of Information 2.2 Technology Services; Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation; Department 2.3 of Labor and Industry; Minnesota Management and Budget; Bureau of Mediation Services; 2.4 Department of Military Affairs; Metropolitan Council; Department of Natural Resources; 2.5 Pollution Control Agency; Department of Public Safety; Department of Revenue; Department 2.6 of Transportation; Department of Veterans Affairs; Direct Care and Treatment; Gambling 2.7 Control Board; Racing Commission; the Minnesota Lottery; the Animal Health Board; the 2.8 Public Utilities Commission; and the Board of Water and Soil Resources; and the Office 2.9 of Cannabis Management; 2.10

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(2) "consultation" means the direct and interactive involvement of the Minnesota Tribal 2.11 governments in the development of policy on matters that have Tribal implications. 2.12 Consultation is the proactive, affirmative process of identifying and seeking input from 2.13 appropriate Tribal governments and considering their interest as a necessary and integral 2.14 part of the decision-making process. This definition adds to statutorily mandated notification 2.15 procedures. During a consultation, the burden is on the agency to show that it has made a 2.16 good faith effort to elicit feedback. Consultation is a formal engagement between agency 2.17 officials and the governing body or bodies of an individual Minnesota Tribal government 2.18 that the agency or an individual Tribal government may initiate. Formal meetings or 2.19 communication between top agency officials and the governing body of a Minnesota Tribal 2.20 government is a necessary element of consultation; 2.21

(3) "matters that have Tribal implications" means rules, legislative proposals, policy
statements, or other actions that have substantial direct effects on one or more Minnesota
Tribal governments, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the state
and Minnesota Tribal governments;

(4) "Minnesota Tribal governments" means the federally recognized Indian Tribes located
in Minnesota including: Bois Forte Band; Fond Du Lac Band; Grand Portage Band; Leech
Lake Band; Mille Lacs Band; White Earth Band; Red Lake Nation; Lower Sioux Indian
Community; Prairie Island Indian Community; Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community;
and Upper Sioux Community; and

2.31 (5) "timely and meaningful" means done or occurring at a favorable or useful time that
allows the result of consultation to be included in the agency's decision-making process for
a matter that has Tribal implications.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 151.72, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 3.1 Subd. 3. Sale of cannabinoids derived from hemp. (a) Notwithstanding any other 3.2 section of this chapter, a product containing nonintoxicating cannabinoids, including an 3.3 edible cannabinoid product, may be sold for human or animal consumption only if all of 3.4 the requirements of this section are met. A product sold for human or animal consumption 3.5 must not contain more than 0.3 percent of any tetrahydrocannabinol and an edible 3.6 cannabinoid product must not contain an amount of any tetrahydrocannabinol that exceeds 3.7 the limits established in subdivision 5a, paragraph (f). 3.8 (b) A product containing nonintoxicating cannabinoids, other than an edible cannabinoid 3.9 product, may be sold for human or animal consumption only if it is intended for application 3.10 externally to a part of the body of a human or animal. Such a product must not be 3.11 manufactured, marketed, distributed, or intended to be consumed: 3 12 (1) by combustion or vaporization of the product and inhalation of smoke, aerosol, or 3.13 vapor from the product; 3.14 (2) through chewing, drinking, or swallowing; or 3.15 (3) through injection or application to nonintact skin or a mucous membrane or nonintact 3.16 skin, except for products applied sublingually. 3.17 (c) No other substance extracted or otherwise derived from hemp may be sold for human 3.18 consumption if the substance is intended: 3.19 (1) for external or internal use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention 3.20 of disease in humans or other animals; or 3.21 (2) to affect the structure or any function of the bodies of humans or other animals. 3.22 (d) No product containing any cannabinoid or tetrahydrocannabinol extracted or otherwise 3.23 derived from hemp may be sold to any individual who is under the age of 21. 3.24 (e) Products that meet the requirements of this section are not controlled substances 3.25 under section 152.02. 3.26 (f) Products may be sold for on-site consumption if all of the following conditions are 3.27 3.28 met: (1) the retailer must also hold an on-sale license issued under chapter 340A; 3.29 (2) products, other than products that are intended to be consumed as a beverage, must 3.30 be served in original packaging, but may be removed from the products' packaging by 3.31 customers and consumed on site; 3.32

(3) products must not be sold to a customer who the retailer knows or reasonably should 4.1 know is intoxicated; 4.2 (4) products must not be permitted to be mixed with an alcoholic beverage; and 4.3 (5) products that have been removed from packaging must not be removed from the 4.4 premises. 4.5 (g) Edible cannabinoid products that are intended to be consumed as a beverage may be 4.6 served outside of the products' packaging if the information that is required to be contained 4.7 on the label of an edible cannabinoid product is posted or otherwise displayed by the retailer. 4.8 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 151.72, subdivision 5a, is amended to read: 4.9 Subd. 5a. Additional requirements for edible cannabinoid products. (a) In addition 4.10 to the testing and labeling requirements under subdivisions 4 and 5, an edible cannabinoid 4.11 must meet the requirements of this subdivision. 4.12 (b) An edible cannabinoid product must not: 4.13 (1) bear the likeness or contain cartoon-like characteristics of a real or fictional person, 4.14 animal, or fruit that appeals to children; 4.15 (2) be modeled after a brand of products primarily consumed by or marketed to children; 4.16 4.17 (3) be made by applying an extracted or concentrated hemp-derived cannabinoid to a commercially available candy or snack food item; 4.18 4.19 (4) be substantively similar to a meat food product; poultry food product as defined in section 31A.02, subdivision 10; or a dairy product as defined in section 32D.01, subdivision 4.20 4.21 7; (5) contain an ingredient, other than a hemp-derived cannabinoid, that is not approved 4.22 by the United States Food and Drug Administration for use in food; 4.23 (6) be packaged in a way that resembles the trademarked, characteristic, or 4.24 product-specialized packaging of any commercially available food product; or 4.25 (7) be packaged in a container that includes a statement, artwork, or design that could 4.26 reasonably mislead any person to believe that the package contains anything other than an 4.27 edible cannabinoid product. 4.28 (c) An edible cannabinoid product must be prepackaged in packaging or a container that 4.29 is child-resistant, tamper-evident, and opaque or placed in packaging or a container that is 4.30

5.1 requirement that packaging be child-resistant does not apply to an edible cannabinoid product5.2 that is intended to be consumed as a beverage.

(d) If an edible cannabinoid product, other than a product that is intended to be consumed 5.3 as a beverage, is intended for more than a single use or contains multiple servings, each 5.4 serving must be indicated by scoring, wrapping, or other indicators designating the individual 5.5 serving size that appear on the edible cannabinoid product. If it is not possible to indicate 5.6 a single serving by scoring or use of another indicator that appears on the product, the edible 5.7 cannabinoid product may not be packaged in a manner that includes more than a single 5.8 serving in each container, except that a calibrated dropper, measuring spoon, or similar 5.9 device for measuring a single serving, when sold with the product, may be used for any 5.10 edible cannabinoid products that are intended to be combined with food or beverage products 5.11 prior to consumption. 5.12

(e) A label containing at least the following information must be affixed to the packaging
or container of all edible cannabinoid products sold to consumers:

5.15 (1) the serving size;

5.16 (2) the cannabinoid profile per serving and in total;

5.17 (3) a list of ingredients, including identification of any major food allergens declared5.18 by name; and

5.19 (4) the following statement: "Keep this product out of reach of children."

(f) An edible cannabinoid product must not contain more than five milligrams of any 5.20 tetrahydrocannabinol in a single serving, except that an edible cannabinoid product that is 5.21 intended to be consumed as a beverage may contain no more than ten milligrams of any 5.22 tetrahydrocannabinol in a single-serving container. An edible cannabinoid product, other 5.23 than a product that is intended to be consumed as a beverage, may not contain more than a 5.24 5.25 total of 50 milligrams of any tetrahydrocannabinol per package. An edible cannabinoid product that is intended to be consumed as a beverage may not contain more than two 5.26 servings per container. 5.27

(g) An edible cannabinoid product may contain delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol or delta-9
tetrahydrocannabinol that is extracted from hemp plants or hemp plant parts or is an
artificially derived cannabinoid. Edible cannabinoid products are prohibited from containing
any other artificially derived cannabinoid, including but not limited to THC-P, THC-O, and
HHC, unless the office authorizes use of the artificially derived cannabinoid in edible

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6.1 cannabinoid products. Edible cannabinoid products are prohibited from containing synthetic6.2 cannabinoids.

(h) Every person selling edible cannabinoid products to consumers, other than products
that are intended to be consumed as a beverage, must ensure that all edible cannabinoid
products are displayed behind a checkout counter where the public is not permitted or in a
locked case.

6.7 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Health care practitioner. "Health care practitioner" means a Minnesota licensed
 Minnesota-licensed doctor of medicine, a Minnesota licensed Minnesota-licensed physician
 assistant acting within the scope of authorized practice, or a Minnesota licensed

6.11 <u>Minnesota-licensed</u> advanced practice registered nurse who has <u>an active license in good</u>

6.12 <u>standing and the primary responsibility for the care and treatment of the qualifying medical</u>

6.13 condition of <u>a person an individual</u> diagnosed with a qualifying medical condition.

6.14 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

6.15 Subd. 7. Medical cannabis manufacturer. "Medical cannabis manufacturer" or
6.16 "manufacturer" means an entity registered by the commissioner office to cultivate, acquire,
6.17 manufacture, possess, prepare, transfer, transport, supply, or dispense medical cannabis,
6.18 delivery devices, or related supplies and educational materials.

6.19 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

6.20 Subd. 10. Patient registry number. "Patient registry number" means a unique
6.21 identification number assigned by the commissioner office to a patient enrolled in the registry
6.22 program.

6.23 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

6.24 Subd. 13. Registry verification. "Registry verification" means the verification provided
6.25 by the commissioner office that a patient is enrolled in the registry program and that includes
6.26 the patient's name, registry number, and, if applicable, the name of the patient's registered
6.27 designated caregiver or parent, legal guardian, or spouse.

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### Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.24, is amended to read:

# 7.2 **152.24 FEDERALLY APPROVED CLINICAL TRIALS.**

The <u>commissioner office</u> may prohibit enrollment of a patient in the registry program if the patient is simultaneously enrolled in a federally approved clinical trial for the treatment of a qualifying medical condition with medical cannabis. The <u>commissioner office</u> shall provide information to all patients enrolled in the registry program on the existence of federally approved clinical trials for the treatment of the patient's qualifying medical condition with medical cannabis as an alternative to enrollment in the patient registry program.

7.9 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.25, is amended to read:

### 7.10 **152.25 COMMISSIONER OFFICE DUTIES.**

Subdivision 1. Medical cannabis manufacturer registration. (a) The commissioner 7.11 office shall register two in-state manufacturers for the production of all medical cannabis 7.12 within the state. A registration agreement between the commissioner office and a 7.13 manufacturer is nontransferable. The commissioner office shall register new manufacturers 7.14 or reregister the existing manufacturers by December 1 every two years, using the factors 7.15 described in this subdivision. The commissioner office shall accept applications after 7.16 December 1, 2014, if one of the manufacturers registered before December 1, 2014, ceases 7.17 to be registered as a manufacturer. The commissioner's office's determination that no 7.18 manufacturer exists to fulfill the duties under sections 152.22 to 152.37 is subject to judicial 7.19 review in Ramsey County District Court. Data submitted during the application process are 7.20 private data on individuals or nonpublic data as defined in section 13.02 until the 7.21 manufacturer is registered under this section. Data on a manufacturer that is registered are 7.22 public data, unless the data are trade secret or security information under section 13.37. 7.23 (b) As a condition for registration, a manufacturer must agree to: 7.24 (1) begin supplying medical cannabis to patients by July 1, 2015; and 7.25 (2) comply with all requirements under sections 152.22 to 152.37. 7.26 (c) The commissioner office shall consider the following factors when determining 7.27 which manufacturer to register: 7.28

(1) the technical expertise of the manufacturer in cultivating medical cannabis and
converting the medical cannabis into an acceptable delivery method under section 152.22,
subdivision 6;

7.32 (2) the qualifications of the manufacturer's employees;

(3) the long-term financial stability of the manufacturer;

- 8.2 (4) the ability to provide appropriate security measures on the premises of the8.3 manufacturer;
- 8.4 (5) whether the manufacturer has demonstrated an ability to meet the medical cannabis
  8.5 production needs required by sections 152.22 to 152.37; and

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8.6 (6) the manufacturer's projection and ongoing assessment of fees on patients with a8.7 qualifying medical condition.

(d) If an officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer pleads or is found
guilty of intentionally diverting medical cannabis to a person other than allowed by law
under section 152.33, subdivision 1, the commissioner office may decide not to renew the
registration of the manufacturer, provided the violation occurred while the person was an
officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer.

- 8.13 (e) The commissioner office shall require each medical cannabis manufacturer to contract 8.14 with an independent laboratory to test medical cannabis produced by the manufacturer. The 8.15 commissioner office shall approve the laboratory chosen by each manufacturer and require 8.16 that the laboratory report testing results to the manufacturer in a manner determined by the 8.17 commissioner office.
- 8.18 Subd. 1a. **Revocation or nonrenewal of a medical cannabis manufacturer**

registration. If the commissioner office intends to revoke or not renew a registration issued 8.19 under this section, the commissioner office must first notify in writing the manufacturer 8.20 against whom the action is to be taken and provide the manufacturer with an opportunity 8.21 to request a hearing under the contested case provisions of chapter 14. If the manufacturer 8.22 does not request a hearing by notifying the commissioner office in writing within 20 days 8.23 after receipt of the notice of proposed action, the commissioner office may proceed with 8.24 the action without a hearing. For revocations, the registration of a manufacturer is considered 8.25 revoked on the date specified in the commissioner's office's written notice of revocation. 8.26

8.27 Subd. 1b. Temporary suspension proceedings. The commissioner office may institute
8.28 proceedings to temporarily suspend the registration of a medical cannabis manufacturer for
8.29 a period of up to 90 days by notifying the manufacturer in writing if any action by an
8.30 employee, agent, officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer:

8.31 (1) violates any of the requirements of sections 152.22 to 152.37 or the rules adopted
8.32 thereunder;

(2) permits, aids, or abets the commission of any violation of state law at the

9.2 manufacturer's location for cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, and processing
9.3 or at any site for distribution of medical cannabis;

9.4 (3) performs any act contrary to the welfare of a registered patient or registered designated9.5 caregiver; or

9.6 (4) obtains, or attempts to obtain, a registration by fraudulent means or misrepresentation.

9.7 Subd. 1c. Notice to patients. Upon the revocation or nonrenewal of a manufacturer's registration under subdivision 1a or implementation of an enforcement action under 9.8 subdivision 1b that may affect the ability of a registered patient, registered designated 9.9 caregiver, or a registered patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse to obtain medical cannabis 9.10 from the manufacturer subject to the enforcement action, the commissioner office shall 9.11 notify in writing each registered patient and the patient's registered designated caregiver or 9.12 registered patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse about the outcome of the proceeding 9.13 and information regarding alternative registered manufacturers. This notice must be provided 9.14 two or more business days prior to the effective date of the revocation, nonrenewal, or other 9.15 enforcement action. 9.16

Subd. 2. Range of compounds and dosages; report. The office shall review and publicly 9.17 report the existing medical and scientific literature regarding the range of recommended 9.18 dosages for each qualifying condition and the range of chemical compositions of any plant 9.19 of the genus cannabis that will likely be medically beneficial for each of the qualifying 9.20 medical conditions. The office shall make this information available to patients with 9.21 qualifying medical conditions beginning December 1, 2014, and update the information 9.22 every three years. The office may consult with the independent laboratory under contract 9.23 with the manufacturer or other experts in reporting the range of recommended dosages for 9.24 each qualifying medical condition, the range of chemical compositions that will likely be 9.25 9.26 medically beneficial, and any risks of noncannabis drug interactions. The office shall consult with each manufacturer on an annual basis on medical cannabis offered by the manufacturer. 9.27 The list of medical cannabis offered by a manufacturer shall be published on the Office of 9.28 Cannabis Management website. 9.29

9.30 Subd. 3. Deadlines. The commissioner office shall adopt rules necessary for the
9.31 manufacturer to begin distribution of medical cannabis to patients under the registry program
9.32 by July 1, 2015, and have notice of proposed rules published in the State Register prior to
9.33 January 1, 2015.

Subd. 4. Reports. (a) The commissioner office shall provide regular updates to the task
force on medical cannabis therapeutic research and; to the chairs and ranking minority
members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services,
public safety, judiciary, and civil law; and to the Cannabis Advisory Council under section
<u>342.03</u> regarding: (1) any changes in federal law or regulatory restrictions regarding the
use of medical cannabis or hemp; and (2) the market demand and supply in this state for
products made from hemp that can be used for medicinal purposes.

(b) The commissioner office may submit medical research based on the data collected
under sections 152.22 to 152.37 to any federal agency with regulatory or enforcement
authority over medical cannabis to demonstrate the effectiveness of medical cannabis for
treating a qualifying medical condition.

10.12 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.26, is amended to read:

### 10.13 **152.26 RULEMAKING.**

(a) The commissioner office may adopt rules to implement sections 152.22 to 152.37.
Rules for which notice is published in the State Register before January 1, 2015, may be
adopted using the process in section 14.389.

(b) The commissioner office may adopt or amend rules, using the procedure in section
14.386, paragraph (a), to implement the addition of dried raw cannabis as an allowable form
of medical cannabis under section 152.22, subdivision 6, paragraph (a), clause (4). Section
14.386, paragraph (b), does not apply to these rules.

10.21 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.261, is amended to read:

## 10.22 **152.261 RULES; ADVERSE INCIDENTS.**

(a) The commissioner of health office shall adopt rules to establish requirements for
reporting incidents when individuals who are not authorized to possess medical cannabis
under sections 152.22 to 152.37 are found in possession of medical cannabis. The rules
must identify professionals required to report, the information they are required to report,
and actions the reporter must take to secure the medical cannabis.

(b) The commissioner of health office shall adopt rules to establish requirements for law
enforcement officials and health care professionals to report incidents involving an overdose
of medical cannabis to the commissioner of health office.

10.31 (c) Rules must include the method by which the commissioner office will collect and
 10.32 tabulate reports of unauthorized possession and overdose.

11.1 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.27, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

11.2 Subd. 2. Office duties. (a) The office shall:

(1) give notice of the program to health care practitioners in the state who are eligible
to serve as health care practitioners and explain the purposes and requirements of the
program;

(2) allow each health care practitioner who meets or agrees to meet the program's
requirements and who requests to participate, to be included in the registry program to
collect data for the patient registry;

(3) provide explanatory information and assistance to each health care practitioner in
understanding the nature of therapeutic use of medical cannabis within program requirements;

(4) create and provide a certification to be used by a health care practitioner for the
practitioner to certify whether a patient has been diagnosed with a qualifying medical
condition;

(5) supervise the participation of the health care practitioner in conducting patient
treatment and health records reporting in a manner that ensures stringent security and
record-keeping requirements and that prevents the unauthorized release of private data on
individuals as defined by section 13.02;

(6) develop safety criteria for patients with a qualifying medical condition as a
requirement of the patient's participation in the program, to prevent the patient from
undertaking any task under the influence of medical cannabis that would constitute negligence
or professional malpractice on the part of the patient; and

(7) conduct research and studies based on data from health records submitted to the
registry program and submit reports on intermediate or final research results to the legislature
and major scientific journals. The office may contract with a third party to complete the
requirements of this clause. Any reports submitted must comply with section 152.28,
subdivision 2.

(b) The office may add a delivery method under section 152.22, subdivision 6, upon a
petition from a member of the public or the Cannabis Advisory Council under section 342.03
or as directed by law. If the office wishes to add a delivery method under section 152.22,
subdivision 6, the office must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the
legislative policy committees having jurisdiction over health and public safety of the addition
and the reasons for its addition, including any written comments received by the office from
the public and any guidance received from the Cannabis Advisory Council under section

- 342.03, by January 15 of the year in which the office wishes to make the change. The change
  shall be effective on August 1 of that year, unless the legislature by law provides otherwise.
- 12.3 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.27, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Notice requirements. Patients and registered designated caregivers shall notify
the commissioner office of any address or name change within 30 days of the change having
occurred. A patient or registered designated caregiver is subject to a \$100 fine for failure
to notify the commissioner office of the change.

12.8 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.28, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Health care practitioner duties. (a) Prior to a patient's enrollment in
the registry program, a health care practitioner shall:

(1) determine, in the health care practitioner's medical judgment, whether a patient suffers
from a qualifying medical condition, and, if so determined, provide the patient with a
certification of that diagnosis;

(2) advise patients, registered designated caregivers, and parents, legal guardians, or
spouses who are acting as caregivers of the existence of any nonprofit patient support groups
or organizations;

(3) provide explanatory information from the office to patients with qualifying medical
conditions, including disclosure to all patients about the experimental nature of therapeutic
use of medical cannabis; the possible risks, benefits, and side effects of the proposed
treatment; the application and other materials from the office; and provide patients with the
Tennessen warning as required by section 13.04, subdivision 2; and

(4) agree to continue treatment of the patient's qualifying medical condition and reportmedical findings to the office.

(b) Upon notification from the office of the patient's enrollment in the registry program,the health care practitioner shall:

(1) participate in the patient registry reporting system under the guidance and supervisionof the office;

(2) report health records of the patient throughout the ongoing treatment of the patient
to the office in a manner determined by the <u>commissioner office</u> and in accordance with
subdivision 2;

- (3) determine, every three years, if the patient continues to suffer from a qualifying 13.1 medical condition and, if so, issue the patient a new certification of that diagnosis; and 13.2 (4) otherwise comply with all requirements developed by the office. 13.3 (c) A health care practitioner may utilize telehealth, as defined in section 62A.673, 13.4 13.5 subdivision 2, for certifications and recertifications. (d) Nothing in this section requires a health care practitioner to participate in the registry 13.6 program. 13.7 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.28, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 13.8 Subd. 3. Advertising restrictions. (a) A health care practitioner shall not publish or 13.9 cause to be published any advertisement that: 13.10 (1) contains false or misleading statements about medical cannabis or about the medical 13.11 cannabis registry program; 13.12 (2) uses colloquial terms to refer to medical cannabis, such as pot, weed, or grass; 13.13 (3) states or implies the health care practitioner is endorsed by the Department of Health 13.14 office or by the medical cannabis registry program; 13.15 (4) includes images of cannabis in its plant or leaf form or of cannabis-smoking 13.16 paraphernalia; or 13.17 (5) contains medical symbols that could reasonably be confused with symbols of 13.18 established medical associations or groups. 13.19 (b) A health care practitioner found by the commissioner office to have violated this 13.20 subdivision is prohibited from certifying that patients have a qualifying medical condition 13.21 for purposes of patient participation in the registry program. The commissioner's office's 13.22 decision that a health care practitioner has violated this subdivision is a final decision of 13.23 the commissioner office and is not subject to the contested case procedures in chapter 14. 13.24 13.25 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. Manufacturer; requirements. (a) A manufacturer may operate eight 13.26 distribution facilities, which may include the manufacturer's single location for cultivation, 13.27 harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, and processing but is not required to include that 13.28 location. The commissioner office shall designate the geographical service areas to be served 13.29
  - 13.30 by each manufacturer based on geographical need throughout the state to improve patient
  - 13.31 access. A manufacturer shall not have more than two distribution facilities in each

geographical service area assigned to the manufacturer by the commissioner office. A 14.1 manufacturer shall operate only one location where all cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, 14.2 packaging, and processing of medical cannabis shall be conducted. This location may be 14.3 one of the manufacturer's distribution facility sites. The additional distribution facilities 14.4 may dispense medical cannabis and medical cannabis products but may not contain any 14.5 medical cannabis in a form other than those forms allowed under section 152.22, subdivision 14.6 6, and the manufacturer shall not conduct any cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, 14.7 14.8 packaging, or processing at the other distribution facility sites. Any distribution facility operated by the manufacturer is subject to all of the requirements applying to the 14.9 manufacturer under sections 152.22 to 152.37, including, but not limited to, security and 14.10 distribution requirements. 14.11

(b) A manufacturer may acquire hemp grown in this state from a hemp grower, and may
acquire hemp products produced by a hemp processor. A manufacturer may manufacture
or process hemp and hemp products into an allowable form of medical cannabis under
section 152.22, subdivision 6. Hemp and hemp products acquired by a manufacturer under
this paragraph are subject to the same quality control program, security and testing
requirements, and other requirements that apply to medical cannabis under sections 152.22
to 152.37 and Minnesota Rules, chapter 4770.

(c) A medical cannabis manufacturer shall contract with a laboratory approved by the
commissioner office, subject to any additional requirements set by the commissioner office,
for purposes of testing medical cannabis manufactured or hemp or hemp products acquired
by the medical cannabis manufacturer as to content, contamination, and consistency to
verify the medical cannabis meets the requirements of section 152.22, subdivision 6. The
cost of laboratory testing shall be paid by the manufacturer.

14.25 (d) The operating documents of a manufacturer must include:

14.26 (1) procedures for the oversight of the manufacturer and procedures to ensure accurate14.27 record keeping;

(2) procedures for the implementation of appropriate security measures to deter and
prevent the theft of medical cannabis and unauthorized entrance into areas containing medical
cannabis; and

(3) procedures for the delivery and transportation of hemp between hemp growers and
manufacturers and for the delivery and transportation of hemp products between hemp
processors and manufacturers.

(e) A manufacturer shall implement security requirements, including requirements for
the delivery and transportation of hemp and hemp products, protection of each location by
a fully operational security alarm system, facility access controls, perimeter intrusion
detection systems, and a personnel identification system.

(f) A manufacturer shall not share office space with, refer patients to a health carepractitioner, or have any financial relationship with a health care practitioner.

15.7 (g) A manufacturer shall not permit any person to consume medical cannabis on the15.8 property of the manufacturer.

15.9 (h) A manufacturer is subject to reasonable inspection by the <u>commissioner office</u>.

(i) For purposes of sections 152.22 to 152.37, a medical cannabis manufacturer is not
subject to the Board of Pharmacy licensure or regulatory requirements under chapter 151.

(j) A medical cannabis manufacturer may not employ any person who is under 21 years 15.12 of age or who has been convicted of a disqualifying felony offense. An employee of a 15.13 medical cannabis manufacturer must submit a completed criminal history records check 15.14 consent form, a full set of classifiable fingerprints, and the required fees for submission to 15.15 the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension before an employee may begin working with the 15.16 manufacturer. The bureau must conduct a Minnesota criminal history records check and 15.17 the superintendent is authorized to exchange the fingerprints with the Federal Bureau of 15.18 Investigation to obtain the applicant's national criminal history record information. The 15.19 bureau shall return the results of the Minnesota and federal criminal history records checks 15.20 to the commissioner office. 15.21

(k) A manufacturer may not operate in any location, whether for distribution or
cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, or processing, within 1,000 feet of a
public or private school existing before the date of the manufacturer's registration with the
commissioner office.

(1) A manufacturer shall comply with reasonable restrictions set by the commissioner
 office relating to signage, marketing, display, and advertising of medical cannabis.

(m) Before a manufacturer acquires hemp from a hemp grower or hemp products from
a hemp processor, the manufacturer must verify that the hemp grower or hemp processor
has a valid license issued by the commissioner of agriculture under chapter 18K.

(n) Until a state-centralized, seed-to-sale system is implemented that can track a specific
 medical cannabis plant from cultivation through testing and point of sale, the commissioner

16.1 <u>office</u> shall conduct at least one unannounced inspection per year of each manufacturer that
 16.2 includes inspection of:

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16.3 (1) business operations;

16.4 (2) physical locations of the manufacturer's manufacturing facility and distribution16.5 facilities;

(3) financial information and inventory documentation, including laboratory testingresults; and

16.8 (4) physical and electronic security alarm systems.

16.9 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Manufacturer; production. (a) A manufacturer of medical cannabis shall
provide a reliable and ongoing supply of all medical cannabis needed for the registry program
through cultivation by the manufacturer and through the purchase of hemp from hemp
growers.

(b) All cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, and processing of medical
 cannabis must take place in an enclosed, locked facility at a physical address provided to
 the commissioner office during the registration process.

16.17 (c) A manufacturer must process and prepare any medical cannabis plant material or
16.18 hemp plant material into a form allowable under section 152.22, subdivision 6, prior to
16.19 distribution of any medical cannabis.

16.20 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

16.21 Subd. 3a. **Transportation of medical cannabis; transport staffing.** (a) A medical 16.22 cannabis manufacturer may staff a transport motor vehicle with only one employee if the 16.23 medical cannabis manufacturer is transporting medical cannabis to either a certified 16.24 laboratory for the purpose of testing or a facility for the purpose of disposal. If the medical 16.25 cannabis manufacturer is transporting medical cannabis for any other purpose or destination, 16.26 the transport motor vehicle must be staffed with a minimum of two employees as required 16.27 by rules adopted by the <u>commissioner office</u>.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a medical cannabis manufacturer that is only
transporting hemp for any purpose may staff the transport motor vehicle with only one
employee.

(c) A medical cannabis manufacturer may contract with a third party for armored car
services for deliveries of medical cannabis from its production facility to distribution
facilities. A medical cannabis manufacturer that contracts for armored car services remains
responsible for the transportation manifest and inventory tracking requirements in rules
adopted by the commissioner office.

(d) Department of Health Office staff may transport medical cannabis for the purposes
of delivering medical cannabis and other samples to a laboratory for testing under rules
adopted by the commissioner office and in cases of special investigations when the
commissioner office has determined there is a potential threat to public health. The transport
motor vehicle must be staffed with a minimum of two Department of Health office
employees. The employees must carry with them their Department of Health office
identification card and a transport manifest.

17.13 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Report. (a) Each manufacturer shall report to the commissioner office on a
monthly basis the following information on each individual patient for the month prior to
the report:

17.17 (1) the amount and dosages of medical cannabis distributed;

17.18 (2) the chemical composition of the medical cannabis; and

17.19 (3) the tracking number assigned to any medical cannabis distributed.

17.20 (b) For transactions involving Tribal medical cannabis program patients, each

17.21 manufacturer shall report to the commissioner office on a weekly basis the following

information on each individual Tribal medical cannabis program patient for the week priorto the report:

(1) the name of the Tribal medical cannabis program in which the Tribal medical cannabisprogram patient is enrolled;

- 17.26 (2) the amount and dosages of medical cannabis distributed;
- 17.27 (3) the chemical composition of the medical cannabis distributed; and
- 17.28 (4) the tracking number assigned to the medical cannabis distributed.

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# Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.31, is amended to read:

# 18.2 **152.31 DATA PRACTICES.**

(a) Government data in patient files maintained by the commissioner office and the 18.3 health care practitioner, and data submitted to or by a medical cannabis manufacturer, are 18.4 private data on individuals, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, or nonpublic data, 18.5 as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9, but may be used for purposes of complying with 18.6 chapter 13 and complying with a request from the legislative auditor or the state auditor in 18.7 the performance of official duties. The provisions of section 13.05, subdivision 11, apply 18.8 to a registration agreement entered between the commissioner office and a medical cannabis 18.9 manufacturer under section 152.25. 18.10

(b) Not public data maintained by the commissioner office may not be used for any
purpose not provided for in sections 152.22 to 152.37, and may not be combined or linked
in any manner with any other list, dataset, or database.

(c) The commissioner office may execute data sharing arrangements with the
 commissioner of agriculture to verify licensing, inspection, and compliance information
 related to hemp growers and hemp processors under chapter 18K.

18.17 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.32, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

18.18 Subd. 2. Criminal and civil protections. (a) Subject to section 152.23, the following
18.19 are not violations under this chapter:

(1) use or possession of medical cannabis or medical cannabis products by a patient
enrolled in the registry program; possession by a registered designated caregiver or the
parent, legal guardian, or spouse of a patient if the parent, legal guardian, or spouse is listed
on the registry verification; or use or possession of medical cannabis or medical cannabis
products by a Tribal medical cannabis program patient;

(2) possession, dosage determination, or sale of medical cannabis or medical cannabis
products by a medical cannabis manufacturer, employees of a manufacturer, a Tribal medical
cannabis program manufacturer, employees of a Tribal medical cannabis program
manufacturer, a laboratory conducting testing on medical cannabis, or employees of the
laboratory; and

(3) possession of medical cannabis or medical cannabis products by any person while
carrying out the duties required under sections 152.22 to 152.37.

19.1 19.2 (b) Medical cannabis obtained and distributed pursuant to sections 152.22 to 152.37 and associated property is not subject to forfeiture under sections 609.531 to 609.5316.

(c) The commissioner office, members of a Tribal medical cannabis board, the 19.3 eommissioner's office's or Tribal medical cannabis board's staff, the eommissioner's office's 19.4 or Tribal medical cannabis board's agents or contractors, and any health care practitioner 19.5 are not subject to any civil or disciplinary penalties by the Board of Medical Practice, the 19.6 Board of Nursing, or by any business, occupational, or professional licensing board or entity, 19.7 19.8 solely for participation in the registry program under sections 152.22 to 152.37 or in a Tribal medical cannabis program. A pharmacist licensed under chapter 151 is not subject to any 19.9 civil or disciplinary penalties by the Board of Pharmacy when acting in accordance with 19.10 the provisions of sections 152.22 to 152.37. Nothing in this section affects a professional 19.11 licensing board from taking action in response to violations of any other section of law. 19.12

(d) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner office, the governor of
Minnesota, or an employee of any state agency may not be held civilly or criminally liable
for any injury, loss of property, personal injury, or death caused by any act or omission
while acting within the scope of office or employment under sections 152.22 to 152.37.

19.17 (e) Federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities are prohibited from accessing
19.18 the patient registry under sections 152.22 to 152.37 except when acting pursuant to a valid
19.19 search warrant.

(f) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, neither the <u>commissioner office</u> nor a public
employee may release data or information about an individual contained in any report,
document, or registry created under sections 152.22 to 152.37 or any information obtained
about a patient participating in the program, except as provided in sections 152.22 to 152.37.

(g) No information contained in a report, document, or registry or obtained from a patient
under sections 152.22 to 152.37 or from a Tribal medical cannabis program patient may be
admitted as evidence in a criminal proceeding unless independently obtained or in connection
with a proceeding involving a violation of sections 152.22 to 152.37.

(h) Notwithstanding section 13.09, any person who violates paragraph (e) or (f) is guiltyof a gross misdemeanor.

(i) An attorney may not be subject to disciplinary action by the Minnesota Supreme
Court, a Tribal court, or the professional responsibility board for providing legal assistance
to prospective or registered manufacturers or others related to activity that is no longer
subject to criminal penalties under state law pursuant to sections 152.22 to 152.37, or for

20.1 providing legal assistance to a Tribal medical cannabis program or a Tribal medical cannabis20.2 program manufacturer.

(j) The following do not constitute probable cause or reasonable suspicion, and shall not
be used to support a search of the person or property of the person possessing or applying
for the registry verification or equivalent, or otherwise subject the person or property of the
person to inspection by any governmental agency:

(1) possession of a registry verification or application for enrollment in the registry
 program by a person entitled to possess a registry verification or apply for enrollment in
 the registry program; or

(2) possession of a verification or equivalent issued by a Tribal medical cannabis program
 or application for enrollment in a Tribal medical cannabis program by a person entitled to
 possess such a verification or application.

20.13 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.33, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. Intentional diversion outside the state; penalties. (a) In addition to any other applicable penalty in law, the <u>commissioner office</u> may levy a fine of \$250,000 against a manufacturer and may immediately initiate proceedings to revoke the manufacturer's registration, using the procedure in section 152.25, if:

(1) an officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer pleads or is found
guilty under subdivision 1 of intentionally transferring medical cannabis, while the person
was an officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer, to a person other than
allowed by law; and

20.22 (2) in intentionally transferring medical cannabis to a person other than allowed by law,
20.23 the officer, director, or controlling person transported or directed the transport of medical
20.24 cannabis outside of Minnesota.

20.25 (b) All fines collected under this subdivision shall be deposited in the state government20.26 special revenue fund.

20.27 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.33, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Submission of false records; criminal penalty. A person who knowingly submits false records or documentation required by the <u>commissioner office</u> to register as a manufacturer of medical cannabis under sections 152.22 to 152.37 is guilty of a felony and may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than two years or by payment of a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both.

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### Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.35, is amended to read:

# 21.2 **152.35 FEES; DEPOSIT OF REVENUE.**

(a) The commissioner office shall collect an application fee of \$20,000 from each entity
submitting an application for registration as a medical cannabis manufacturer. Revenue
from the fee shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state government
special revenue fund.

(b) The commissioner office shall establish and collect an annual fee from a medical
cannabis manufacturer equal to the cost of regulating and inspecting the manufacturer in
that year. Revenue from the fee amount shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited
to the state government special revenue fund.

(c) A medical cannabis manufacturer may charge patients enrolled in the registry program
a reasonable fee for costs associated with the operations of the manufacturer. The
manufacturer may establish a sliding scale of patient fees based upon a patient's household
income and may accept private donations to reduce patient fees.

21.15 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.37, is amended to read:

# 21.16 **152.37 FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS; PRICING REVIEWS.**

Subdivision 1. Financial records. A medical cannabis manufacturer shall maintain
detailed financial records in a manner and format approved by the commissioner office,
and shall keep all records updated and accessible to the commissioner office when requested.

21.20 Subd. 2. Certified annual audit. A medical cannabis manufacturer shall submit the results of an annual certified financial audit to the commissioner office no later than May 21.21 1 of each year for the calendar year beginning January 2015. The annual audit shall be 21.22 conducted by an independent certified public accountant and the costs of the audit are the 21.23 responsibility of the medical cannabis manufacturer. Results of the audit shall be provided 21.24 to the medical cannabis manufacturer and the commissioner office. The commissioner office 21.25 may also require another audit of the medical cannabis manufacturer by a certified public 21.26 21.27 accountant chosen by the commissioner office with the costs of the audit paid by the medical cannabis manufacturer. 21.28

Subd. 3. Power to examine. (a) The commissioner office or designee may examine the
business affairs and conditions of any medical cannabis manufacturer, including but not
limited to a review of the financing, budgets, revenues, sales, and pricing.

(b) An examination may cover the medical cannabis manufacturer's business affairs,
practices, and conditions including but not limited to a review of the financing, budgets,
revenues, sales, and pricing. The commissioner office shall determine the nature and scope
of each examination and in doing so shall take into account all available relevant factors
concerning the financial and business affairs, practices, and conditions of the examinee.
The costs incurred by the department in conducting an examination shall be paid for by the
medical cannabis manufacturer.

22.8 (c) When making an examination under this section, the <u>commissioner office</u> may retain 22.9 attorneys, appraisers, independent economists, independent certified public accountants, or 22.10 other professionals and specialists as designees. A certified public accountant retained by 22.11 the <u>commissioner office</u> may not be the same certified public accountant providing the 22.12 certified annual audit in subdivision 2.

(d) The commissioner office shall make a report of an examination conducted under this
section and provide a copy to the medical cannabis manufacturer. The commissioner office
shall then post a copy of the report on the department's website. All working papers, recorded
information, documents, and copies produced by, obtained by, or disclosed to the
commissioner office or any other person in the course of an examination, other than the
information contained in any commissioner office official report, made under this section
are private data on individuals or nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02.

22.20 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. Bona fide labor organization. "Bona fide labor organization" means a labor
union that represents or is actively seeking to represent cannabis workers-<u>of:</u>

- 22.23 (1) a cannabis business; or
- 22.24 (2) a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer.

22.25 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 47, is amended to read:

Subd. 47. Labor peace agreement. "Labor peace agreement" means an agreement
between a cannabis business and a bona fide labor organization or an agreement between
<u>a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer and a bona fide labor organization that protects</u>
the state's interests by, at minimum, prohibiting the labor organization from engaging in
picketing, work stoppages, or boycotts against the cannabis business or lower-potency hemp
edible manufacturer.

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23.1	Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 50, is amended to read:
23.2	Subd. 50. Lower-potency hemp edible. (a) "Lower-potency hemp edible" means any
23.3	product that:
23.4	(1) is intended to be eaten or consumed as a beverage by humans;
23.5	(2) contains hemp concentrate or an artificially derived cannabinoid, in combination
23.6	with food ingredients;
23.7	(3) is not a drug;
23.8	(4) does not contain a cannabinoid derived from cannabis plants or cannabis flower;
23.9	(5) is a type of product approved for sale by the office or is substantially similar to a
23.10	product approved by the office, including but not limited to products that resemble
23.11	nonalcoholic beverages, candy, and baked goods; and
23.12	(6) meets either of the requirements in paragraph (b).
23.13	(b) A lower-potency hemp edible includes:
23.14	(1) a product that:
23.15	(i) consists of servings that contain no more than five milligrams of delta-9
23.16	tetrahydrocannabinol; no more than 25 milligrams of cannabidiol, cannabigerol, cannabinol,
23.17	or cannabichromene; any other cannabinoid authorized by the office; or any combination
23.18	of those cannabinoids that does not exceed the identified amounts, except that a
23.19	lower-potency hemp edible that is intended to be consumed as a beverage may contain no
23.20	more than ten milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol in a single-serving container;
23.21	(ii) does not contain more than a combined total of 0.5 milligrams of all other
23.22	cannabinoids per serving; and
23.23	(iii) does not contain an artificially derived cannabinoid other than delta-9
23.24	tetrahydrocannabinol, except that a product may include artificially derived cannabinoids
23.25	created during the process of creating the delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol that is added to the
23.26	product, if no artificially derived cannabinoid is added to the ingredient containing delta-9
23.27	tetrahydrocannabinol and the ratio of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol to all other artificially
23.28	derived cannabinoids is no less than 20 to one; or
23.29	(2) a product that:
23.30	(i) contains hemp concentrate processed or refined without increasing the percentage of

targeted cannabinoids or altering the ratio of cannabinoids in the extracts or resins of a hemp

plant or hemp plant parts beyond the variability generally recognized for the method used 24.1 for processing or refining or by an amount needed to reduce the total THC in the hemp 24.2 24.3 concentrate; and (ii) consists of servings that contain no more than five milligrams of total THC. 24.4 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to 24.5 read: 24.6 Subd. 54a. Medical cannabis paraphernalia. "Medical cannabis paraphernalia" means 24.7 a delivery device, related supply, or educational material used by a patient enrolled in the 24.8 registry program to administer medical cannabis and medical cannabinoid products. 24.9 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to 24.10 24.11 read: Subd. 69c. Tribal medical cannabis board. "Tribal medical cannabis board" means an 24.12 agency established by a federally recognized Tribal government and authorized by the 24.13 Tribe's governing body to provide regulatory oversight and monitor compliance with a 24.14 Tribal medical cannabis program and applicable regulations. 24.15 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to 24.16 read: 24.17 Subd. 69d. Tribal medical cannabis program. "Tribal medical cannabis program" 24.18 means a program established by a federally recognized Tribal government within the 24.19 boundaries of Minnesota that involves the commercial production, processing, sale or 24.20 distribution, and possession of medical cannabis and medical cannabis products. 24.21 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to 24.22 read: 24.23 Subd. 69e. Tribal medical cannabis program patient. "Tribal medical cannabis program 24.24 patient" means a person who possesses a valid registration verification card or equivalent 24.25 document that is issued under the laws or regulations of a Tribal Nation within the boundaries 24.26 of Minnesota. A valid registration verification card must verify that the card holder is 24.27 enrolled in or authorized to participate in a Tribal medical cannabis program. 24.28

Subd. 71. **Visiting patient.** "Visiting patient" means an individual who is not a Minnesota resident and who possesses a valid registration verification card or its equivalent that is issued under the laws or regulations of another state, district, commonwealth, or territory of the United States verifying that the individual is enrolled in or authorized to participate in that jurisdiction's medical cannabis or medical marijuana program <u>or in a Tribal medical</u> cannabis program.

25.8 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Medical cannabis program. (a) The powers and duties of the Department of
Health with respect to the medical cannabis program under Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections
152.22 to 152.37, are transferred to the Office of Cannabis Management under section
15.039.

(b) The following protections shall apply to employees who are transferred from theDepartment of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management:

(1) the employment status and job classification of a transferred employee shall not bealtered as a result of the transfer;

(2) transferred employees who were represented by an exclusive representative prior to
the transfer shall continue to be represented by the same exclusive representative after the
transfer;

(3) the applicable collective bargaining agreements with exclusive representatives shall
continue in full force and effect for such transferred employees after the transfer;

(4) the state must meet and negotiate with the exclusive representatives of the transferred
employees about any proposed changes affecting or relating to the transferred employees'
terms and conditions of employment to the extent such changes are not addressed in the
applicable collective bargaining agreement; and

(5) for an employee in a temporary unclassified position transferred to the Office of 25.26 Cannabis Management, the total length of time that the employee has served in the 25.27 appointment shall include all time served in the appointment and the transferring agency 25.28 25.29 and the time served in the appointment at the Office of Cannabis Management. An employee in a temporary unclassified position who was hired by a transferring agency through an 25.30 open competitive selection process in accordance with a policy enacted by Minnesota 25.31 Management and Budget shall be considered to have been hired through such process after 25.32 the transfer. 25.33

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26.1 (c) This subdivision is effective July 1, 2024.

26.2 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.09, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Home cultivation of cannabis for personal adult use. (a) Up to eight cannabis plants, with no more than four being mature, flowering plants may be grown at a single residence, including the curtilage or yard, without a license to cultivate cannabis issued under this chapter provided that cultivation takes place at the primary residence of an individual 21 years of age or older and in an enclosed, locked space that is not open to public view.

26.9 (b) Pursuant to section 342.52, subdivision 9, paragraph (d), a registered designated

26.10 caregiver may cultivate up to eight cannabis plants for not more than one patient household.

26.11 In addition to eight cannabis plants for one patient household, a registered designated

26.12 caregiver may cultivate up to eight cannabis plants for the caregiver's personal adult use of

26.13 cannabis. Of the 16 or fewer total cannabis plants being grown in the registered caregiver's

26.14 residence, no more than eight may be mature, flowering plants.

26.15 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.12, is amended to read:

# 26.16 **342.12 LICENSES; TRANSFERS; ADJUSTMENTS.**

(a) Licenses issued under this chapter that are available to all applicants pursuant to
section 342.14, subdivision 1b, paragraph (c), may be freely transferred subject to the prior
written approval of the office unless the license holder has not received a final site inspection
or the license holder is a social equity applicant.

(b) Licenses issued as social equity licenses pursuant to either section 342.14, subdivision
1b, paragraph (b), or section 342.175, paragraph (b), may only be transferred to another
social equity applicant for three years after the date on which the office issues the license.
Three years after the date of issuance, a license holder may transfer a license to any entity.
Transfer of a license that was issued as a social equity license must be reviewed by the
Division of Social Equity and is subject to the prior written approval of the office.

26.27 (c) <u>Preliminary license preapproval approval issued pursuant to section 342.125 342.14,</u>
26.28 subdivision 5, may not be transferred.

26.29 (d) A new license must be obtained when:

26.30 (1) the form of the licensee's legal business structure converts or changes to a different26.31 type of legal business structure; or

(2) the licensee dissolves; consolidates; reorganizes; undergoes bankruptcy, insolvency,
or receivership proceedings; merges with another legal organization; or assigns all or
substantially all of its assets for the benefit of creditors.

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27.4 (e) Licenses must be renewed annually.

(f) License holders may petition the office to adjust the tier of a license issued within a
license category if the license holder meets all applicable requirements.

(g) The office by rule may permit the relocation of a licensed cannabis business; permit the relocation of an approved operational location, including a cultivation, manufacturing, processing, or retail location; adopt requirements for the submission of a license relocation application; establish standards for the approval of a relocation application; and charge a fee not to exceed \$250 for reviewing and processing applications. Relocation of a licensed premises pursuant to this paragraph does not extend or otherwise modify the license term of the license subject to relocation.

27.14 Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.14, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Application; contents. (a) The office shall establish procedures for the
processing of cannabis licenses issued under this chapter. At a minimum, any application
to obtain or renew a cannabis license shall include the following information, if applicable:

27.18 (1) the name, address, and date of birth of the applicant;

27.19 (2) the disclosure of ownership and control required under paragraph (b);

(3) the disclosure of whether the applicant or, if the applicant is a business, any officer,
director, manager, and general partner of the business has ever filed for bankruptcy;

(4) the address and legal property description of the business, if applicable, except an
applicant is not required to secure a physical premises for the business at the time of
application;

(5) a general description of the location or locations that the applicant plans to operate,
including the planned square feet of space for cultivation, wholesaling, and retailing, as
applicable;

(6) a copy of the security plan, including security monitoring, security equipment, and
facility maps if applicable, except an applicant is not required to secure a physical premises
for the business at the time of application;

27.31 (7) proof of trade name registration;

28.1	(8) a copy of the applicant's business plan showing the expected size of the business;
28.2	anticipated growth; the methods of record keeping; the knowledge and experience of the
28.3	applicant and any officer, director, manager, and general partner of the business; the
28.4	environmental plan; and other relevant financial and operational components;
28.5	(9) standard operating procedures for:
28.6	(i) quality assurance;
28.7	(ii) inventory control, storage, and diversion prevention; and
28.8	(iii) accounting and tax compliance;
28.9	(10) an attestation signed by a bona fide labor organization stating that the applicant has
28.10	entered into a labor peace agreement;
28.11	(11) a description of any training and education that the applicant will provide to
28.12	employees of the business;
28.13	(12) a disclosure of any violation of a license agreement or a federal, state, or local law
28.14	or regulation committed by the applicant or any true party of interest in the applicant's
28.15	business that is relevant to business and working conditions;
28.16	(13) certification that the applicant will comply with the requirements of this chapter;
28.17	(14) identification of one or more controlling persons or managerial employees as agents
28.18	who shall be responsible for dealing with the office on all matters;
28.19	(15) a statement that the applicant agrees to respond to the office's supplemental requests
28.20	for information; <del>and</del>
28.21	(16) a release of information for the applicant and every true party of interest in the
28.22	applicant's business license for the office to perform the background checks required under
28.23	section 342.15- <u>;</u>
28.24	(17) proof that the applicant is a social equity applicant; and
28.25	(18) an attestation that the applicant's business policies governing business operations
28.26	comply with this chapter.
28.27	(b) An applicant must file and update as necessary a disclosure of ownership and control
28.28	identifying any true party of interest as defined in section 342.185, subdivision 1, paragraph
28.29	(g). The office shall establish the contents of the disclosure. Except as provided in paragraph
28.30	(f) (d), the disclosure shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(1) the management structure, ownership, and control of the applicant or license holder,
including the name of each cooperative member, officer, director, manager, general partner,
or business entity; the office or position held by each person; each person's percentage
ownership interest, if any; and, if the business has a parent company, the name of each
owner, board member, and officer of the parent company and the owner's, board member's,
or officer's percentage ownership interest in the parent company and the cannabis business;

(2) a statement from the applicant and, if the applicant is a business, from every officer,
director, manager, and general partner of the business, indicating whether that person has
previously held, or currently holds, an ownership interest in a cannabis business in Minnesota,
any other state or territory of the United States, or any other country;

(3) if the applicant is a corporation, copies of the applicant's articles of incorporationand bylaws and any amendments to the applicant's articles of incorporation or bylaws;

29.13 (4) copies of any partnership agreement, operating agreement, or shareholder agreement;

29.14 (5) copies of any promissory notes, security instruments, or other similar agreements;

- 29.15 (6) an explanation detailing the funding sources used to finance the business;
- (7) a list of operating and investment accounts for the business, including any applicablefinancial institution and account number; and

(8) a list of each outstanding loan and financial obligation obtained for use in the business,including the loan amount, loan terms, and name and address of the creditor.

29.20 (c) An application may include:

29.21 (1) proof that the applicant is a social equity applicant;

29.22 (2) a description of the training and education that will be provided to any employee;
29.23 or

29.24 (3) a copy of business policies governing operations to ensure compliance with this
29.25 chapter.

29.26 (d) (c) Commitments made by an applicant in its application, including but not limited 29.27 to the maintenance of a labor peace agreement, shall be an ongoing material condition of 29.28 maintaining and renewing the license.

29.29 (e) An application on behalf of a corporation or association shall be signed by at least
29.30 two officers or managing agents of that entity.

30.1	(f) (d) The office may establish exceptions to the disclosures required under paragraph
30.2	(b) for members of a cooperative who hold less than a five percent ownership interest in
30.3	the cooperative.
20.4	See 28 Minnesote Statutes 2024 section 242 14 subdivision 2 is smanded to read
30.4	Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.14, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
30.5	Subd. 3. Review. (a) After an applicant submits an application that contains all required
30.6	information and pays the applicable licensing application fee, the office must review the
30.7	application.
30.8	(b) The office may deny an application if:
30.9	(1) the application is incomplete;
30.10	(2) the application contains a materially false statement about the applicant or omits
30.11	information required under subdivision 1;
30.12	(3) the applicant does not meet the qualifications under section 342.16;
30.13	(4) the applicant is prohibited from holding the license under section 342.18, subdivision
30.14	2;
30.15	(5) the application does not meet the minimum requirements under section 342.18,
30.16	subdivision 3;
30.17	(6) the applicant fails to pay the applicable application fee;
30.18	(7) the application was not submitted by the application deadline;
30.19	(8) the applicant submitted more than one application for a license type; or
30.20	(9) the office determines that the applicant would be prohibited from holding a license
30.21	for any other reason.
30.22	(c) If the office denies an application, the office must notify the applicant of the denial
30.23	and the basis for the denial.
30.24	(d) The office may request additional information from any applicant if the office
30.25	determines that the information is necessary to review or process the application. If the
30.26	applicant does not provide the additional requested information within 14 calendar days of
30.27	the office's request for information, the office may deny the application.
30.28	(e) An applicant whose application is not denied under this subdivision is a qualified
30.29	applicant.

Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.14, subdivision 6, is amended to read: 31.1 Subd. 6. Completed application; final authorization; issuance of license. (a) Within 31.2 18 months of receiving notice of preliminary license approval, an applicant must provide: 31.3 (1) the address and legal property description of the location where the business will 31.4 31.5 operate; (2) the name of the local unit of government where the business will be located; and 31.6 31.7 (3) if applicable, an updated description of the location where the business will operate, an updated security plan, and any other additional information required by the office. 31.8 (b) Upon receipt of the information required under paragraph (a) from an applicant that 31.9 has received preliminary license approval, the office must: 31.10 (1) forward a copy of the application to the local unit of government in which the business 31.11 operates or intends to operate with a form for certification as to whether a proposed cannabis 31.12 business complies with local zoning ordinances and, if applicable, whether the proposed 31.13 business complies with the state fire code and building code; 31.14 (2) schedule a site inspection; and 31.15 (3) require the applicant to pay the applicable license fee. 31.16 (c) The office may deny final authorization if: 31.17 (1) an applicant fails to submit any required information; 31.18 (2) the applicant submits a materially false statement about the applicant or fails to 31.19 provide any required information; 31.20 31.21 (3) the office confirms that the cannabis business for which the office granted a preliminary license preapproval approval does not meet local zoning and land use laws; 31.22 31.23 (4) the applicant fails to pay the applicable license fee; or (5) the office determines that the applicant is disqualified from holding the license or 31.24 31.25 would operate in violation of the provisions of this chapter. (d) Within 90 days of receiving the information required under paragraph (a) and the 31.26 results of any required background check, the office shall grant final authorization and issue 31.27

the appropriate license or send the applicant a notice of rejection setting forth specific 31.28 reasons that the office did not approve the application. 31.29

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32.1 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.151, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Criminal history check. A license holder cannabis business may employ or 32.2 contract with as many unlicensed individuals as may be necessary, provided that the license 32.3 holder cannabis business is at all times accountable for the good conduct of every individual 32.4 employed by or contracted with the license holder cannabis business. Before hiring an 32.5 individual as a cannabis worker, the license holder cannabis business must submit to the 32.6 Bureau of Criminal Apprehension the individual's full set of fingerprints and written consent 32.7 for the bureau to conduct a state and national criminal history check. The bureau may 32.8 exchange an individual's fingerprints with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Bureau 32.9 of Criminal Apprehension must determine whether the individual is qualified to be employed 32.10 as a cannabis worker and must notify the license holder cannabis business of the bureau's 32.11 determination. The license holder cannabis business must not employ an individual who is 32.12 disqualified from being employed as a cannabis worker. 32.13

32.14 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.151, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

32.15 Subd. 3. **Disqualification.** (a) A <u>license holder cannabis business</u> must not employ an 32.16 individual as a cannabis worker if the individual has been convicted of any of the following 32.17 crimes that would constitute a felony:

32.18 (1) human trafficking;

- 32.19 (2) noncannabis controlled substance crimes in the first or second degree;
- 32.20 (3) labor trafficking;
- 32.21 (4) fraud;
- 32.22 (5) embezzlement;
- 32.23 (6) extortion;
- 32.24 (7) money laundering; or
- 32.25 (8) insider trading;

32.26 if committed in this state or any other jurisdiction for which a full pardon or similar relief32.27 has not been granted.

32.28 (b) A license holder cannabis business must not employ an individual as a cannabis 32.29 worker if the individual made any false statement in an application for employment.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.22, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 33.1 Subd. 3. Issuance of registration. (a) A local unit of government shall issue a retail 33.2 registration to a cannabis microbusiness with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis 33.3 mezzobusiness with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis retailer, medical cannabis 33.4 33.5 combination business operating a retail location, or lower-potency hemp edible retailer that: (1) has a valid license or preliminary license preapproval approval issued by the office; 33.6 33.7 (2) has paid the registration fee or renewal fee pursuant to subdivision 2; (3) is found to be in compliance with the requirements of this chapter at any preliminary 33.8 compliance check that the local unit of government performs; and 33.9 33.10 (4) if applicable, is current on all property taxes and assessments at the location where the retail establishment is located. 33.11 (b) Before issuing a retail registration, the local unit of government may conduct a 33.12 preliminary compliance check to ensure that the cannabis business or hemp business is in 33.13 compliance with any applicable local ordinance established pursuant to section 342.13. 33.14 (c) A local unit of government shall renew the retail registration of a cannabis business 33.15 or hemp business when the office renews the license of the cannabis business or hemp 33.16 business. 33.17 (d) A retail registration issued under this section may not be transferred. 33.18 Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.28, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 33.19 Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis microbusiness license, consistent with 33.20 the specific license endorsement or endorsements, entitles the license holder to perform any 33.21 or all of the following within the limits established by this section: 33.22 (1) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest 33.23 cannabis flower from a mature plant; 33.24 (2) make cannabis concentrate; 33.25 (3) make hemp concentrate, including hemp concentrate with a delta-9 33.26 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of more than 0.3 percent as measured by weight; 33.27 (4) manufacture artificially derived cannabinoids; 33.28 (5) manufacture adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and 33.29

33.30 hemp-derived consumer products for public consumption;

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34.1 (6) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings <del>and</del>, cannabis flower, <u>cannabis</u>

34.2 products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products from another

34.3 cannabis microbusiness, a cannabis mezzobusiness, <u>a cannabis cultivator</u>, a cannabis

34.4 manufacturer, <del>or</del> a cannabis wholesaler, or a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer;

- 34.5 (7) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from an industrial hemp grower licensed
  34.6 under chapter 18K;
- 34.7 (8) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter
  34.8 18K;

(9) purchase cannabis concentrate, hemp concentrate, and artificially derived cannabinoids
from another cannabis microbusiness, a cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis manufacturer,
or a cannabis wholesaler for use in manufacturing adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency
hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products;

34.13 (10) package and label adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products,
34.14 lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale to customers;

(11) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use
cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, and
other products authorized by law to other cannabis businesses and to customers;

34.18 (12) operate an establishment that permits on-site consumption of edible cannabis34.19 products and lower-potency hemp edibles; and

34.20 (13) perform other actions approved by the office.

34.21 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.28, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. Production of <u>eustomer consumer products endorsement</u>. A cannabis
microbusiness that manufactures edible cannabis products, lower-potency hemp products,
or hemp-derived consumer products must comply with the requirements in section 342.26,
subdivisions 2 and 4.

34.27 Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis mezzobusiness license, consistent with
34.28 the specific license endorsement or endorsements, entitles the license holder to perform any
34.29 or all of the following within the limits established by this section:

<sup>34.26</sup> Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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- (1) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest 35.1 cannabis flower from a mature plant for use as adult-use cannabis flower or for use in 35.2 adult-use cannabis products; 35.3 (2) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest 35.4 cannabis flower from a mature plant for use as medical cannabis flower or for use in medical 35.5 cannabinoid products; 35.6 (3) make cannabis concentrate; 35.7 (4) make hemp concentrate, including hemp concentrate with a delta-9 35.8 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of more than 0.3 percent as measured by weight; 35.9 (5) manufacture artificially derived cannabinoids; 35.10 (6) manufacture adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and 35.11 hemp-derived consumer products for public consumption; 35.12 (7) process medical cannabinoid products; 35.13 (8) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings and, cannabis flower, cannabis 35.14 products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products from a cannabis 35.15 microbusiness, another cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis cultivator, a cannabis 35.16 manufacturer, or a cannabis wholesaler, or a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer; 35.17 (9) purchase cannabis concentrate, hemp concentrate, and synthetically artificially derived 35.18 cannabinoids from a cannabis microbusiness, another cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis 35.19 manufacturer, or a cannabis wholesaler for use in manufacturing adult-use cannabis products, 35.20 lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products; 35.21 (10) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from a licensed hemp grower licensed 35.22 under chapter 18K; 35.23 35.24 (11) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter 18K; 35.25 35.26 (12) package and label adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale to customers; 35.27 (13) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use 35.28 cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, and 35.29 other products authorized by law to other cannabis businesses and to customers; and 35.30
  - 35.31 (14) perform other actions approved by the office.

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36.1	Sec. 46. Mini	nesota Statutes 2024	4, section 342.2	9, subdivision 7, is a	mended to read:
36.2	Subd. 7. Pr	oduction of <del>custor</del>	ner_consumer	products endorseme	nt. A cannabis
36.3	mezzobusiness that manufactures edible cannabis products, lower-potency hemp products,				
36.4	or hemp-derive	ed consumer produc	ets must comply	with the requirement	is in section 342.26,
36.5	subdivisions 2	and 4.			
36.6	Sec. 47. Mini	nesota Statutes 2024	4, section 342.3	0, subdivision 1, is a	mended to read:
36.7	Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis cultivator license entitles the license				
36.8	holder to <u>:</u>				
36.9	<u>(1)</u> grow ca	nnabis plants withi	n the approved	amount of space from	n seed or immature
36.10	plant to mature	plant <del>,</del> ;			
36.11	(2) harvest	cannabis flower fro	om a mature pla	nt <u>;</u> :	
36.12	(3) package	and label immatur	e cannabis plan	ts and seedlings and o	cannabis flower for
36.13	sale to other ca	nnabis businesses <del>,</del> :			
36.14	(4) sell imn	nature cannabis plan	nts and seedling	s and cannabis flowe	r to other cannabis
36.15	businesses;				
36.16	(5) transpor and	t cannabis flower to	o a cannabis ma	nufacturer located on	the same premises <del>;</del>
36.17					
36.18	<u>(6)</u> perform	other actions appro	oved by the offi	ce.	
36.19	Sec. 48. Mini	nesota Statutes 2024	4, section 342.3	2, subdivision 4, is a	mended to read:
36.20	Subd. 4. M	ultiple licenses; lin	nits. (a) A perso	on, cooperative, or bu	siness holding a
36.21	cannabis retaile	er license may also	hold a cannabis	delivery service lice	nse and a cannabis
36.22	event organizer	r license.			
36.23	(b) Except a	as provided in para	graph (a <u>) and su</u>	<u>bdivision 5</u> , no perso	n, cooperative, or
36.24	business holdir	ıg a cannabis retaile	r license may ov	wn or operate any othe	er cannabis business
36.25	or hemp busine	ess.			
36.26	(c) No perse	on, cooperative, or	business may he	old a license to own o	r operate more than
36.27	one cannabis re	etail business in one	e city and three	retail businesses in or	ne county.
36.28	(d) The offi	ce by rule may lim	it the number of	f cannabis retailer lice	enses a person,
36.29		· business may hold			·

37.1	(e) For purposes of this subdivision, a restriction on the number or type of license a
37.2	business may hold applies to every cooperative member or every director, manager, and
37.3	general partner of a cannabis business.
37.4	Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.32, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
37.5	Subd. 5. Municipal or county cannabis store. A city or county may establish, own,
37.6	and operate a municipal cannabis store subject to the restrictions in this chapter.
37.7	Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a city or county that establishes, owns, or operates
37.8	a municipal cannabis store may also hold a lower-potency hemp edible retailer license.
37.9	Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.33, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
37.10	Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis wholesaler license entitles the license
37.11	holder to:
37.12	(1) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings, cannabis flower, cannabis products,
37.13	lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products from cannabis
37.14	microbusinesses, cannabis mezzobusinesses, cannabis cultivators, cannabis manufacturers,
37.15	and eannabis microbusinesses lower-potency hemp edible manufacturers;
27.16	(2) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from industrial hemp growers licensed
37.16	
37.17	under chapter 18K;
37.18	(3) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter
37.19	18K;
37.20	(4) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, cannabis flower, cannabis products,
37.21	lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products to cannabis
37.22	microbusinesses, cannabis mezzobusinesses, cannabis manufacturers, and cannabis retailers;
37.23	(5) sell lower-potency hemp edibles to lower-potency hemp edible retailers;
37.24	(6) import hemp-derived consumer products and lower-potency hemp edibles that contain
37.25	hemp concentrate or artificially derived cannabinoids that are derived from hemp plants or
37.26	hemp plant parts; and
37.27	(7) perform other actions approved by the office.
37.28	Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.40, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
37.29	Subd. 7. Cannabis event sales. (a) Cannabis microbusinesses with a retail endorsement,
37.30	cannabis mezzobusinesses with a retail endorsement, cannabis retailers, medical cannabis

combination businesses operating a retail location, and lower-potency hemp edible retailers,
including the cannabis event organizer, may be authorized to sell cannabis plants, adult-use
cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived
consumer products to customers at a cannabis event.

(b) All sales of cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products at a cannabis event must
take place in a retail area as designated in the premises diagram.

38.8 (c) Authorized retailers may only conduct sales within their specifically assigned area.

(d) Authorized retailers must verify the age of all customers pursuant to section 342.27,
subdivision 4, before completing a sale and may not sell cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis
flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer
products to an individual under 21 years of age.

(e) Authorized retailers may display one sample of each type of cannabis plant, adult-use 38.13 cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, and hemp-derived 38.14 consumer product available for sale. Samples of adult-use cannabis and adult-use cannabis 38.15 products must be stored in a sample jar or display case and be accompanied by a label or 38.16 notice containing the information required to be affixed to the packaging or container 38.17 containing adult-use cannabis flower and adult-use cannabis products sold to customers. A 38.18 sample may not consist of more than eight grams of adult-use cannabis flower or adult-use 38.19 cannabis concentrate, or an edible cannabis product infused with more than 100 milligrams 38.20 of tetrahydrocannabinol. A cannabis retailer may allow customers to smell the adult-use 38.21 cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis product before purchase. 38.22

(f) The notice requirements under section 342.27, subdivision 6, apply to authorized
retailers offering cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabinoid products,
and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event.

38.26 (g) Authorized retailers may not:

38.27 (1) sell adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp
38.28 edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products to a person who is visibly intoxicated;

(2) knowingly sell more cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis
products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products than a customer
is legally permitted to possess;

38.32 (3) sell medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products; or

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(4) give away cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products; or 39.2

(5) (4) allow for the dispensing of cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products, 39.3 lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products in vending machines. 39.4

39.5 (h) Except for samples of a cannabis plant, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, and hemp-derived consumer product, all cannabis 39.6 plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, 39.7 and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event must be stored in a secure, 39.8 locked container that is not accessible to the public. Such items being stored at a cannabis 39.9 event shall not be left unattended. 39.10

(i) All cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, 39.11 39.12 lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event must comply with this chapter and rules adopted pursuant to this chapter regarding 39.13 the testing, packaging, and labeling of those items. 39.14

(j) All cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, and adult-use cannabis products sold, 39.15 damaged, or destroyed at a cannabis event must be recorded in the statewide monitoring 39.16 system. 39.17

39.18 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.40, is amended by adding a subdivision to read: 39.19

Subd. 7a. Cannabis sample products. (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, 39.20 an authorized retailer may give away samples of cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis 39.21 products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products during a cannabis 39.22 event. A label or notice containing the information required to be affixed to the packaging 39.23 or container containing cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp 39.24 edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products sold to customers must be displayed and 39.25 available for consumers. 39.26

39.27 (b) Products given away as samples must not consist of more than:

(1) one gram of adult-use cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis concentrate; 39.28

39.29 (2) ten milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol infused in an edible cannabis product; and

(3) five milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, five milligrams of cannabidiol, five 39.30

39.31 milligrams of cannabigerol, or any combination of those cannabinoids that does not exceed

39.32 the identified amounts in a lower-potency hemp edible.

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40.1	(c) Autho	orized retailers must r	ot give away s	samples to an individ	ual who is visibly
40.2	intoxicated.				
40.3	(d) Samp	les must be recorded	in the statewic	le monitoring system	<u>-</u>
40.4	Sec. 53. M	innesota Statutes 202	4, section 342.	43, is amended by ad	ding a subdivision to
40.5	read:				
40.6	Subd. 3.	Exception; municipa	al or county li	<b>censes.</b> Notwithstand	ling any law to the
40.7	contrary, a ci	ity or county that estab	olishes, owns, o	or operates a municipa	al cannabis store may
40.8	also hold a le	ower-potency hemp e	dible retailer l	icense.	
40.9	Sec. 54. M	innesota Statutes 202	4, section 342.	.44, subdivision 1, is	amended to read:
40.10	Subdivis	ion 1. Application; c	ontents. (a) Ex	ccept as otherwise pro	ovided in this
40.11	subdivision,	the provisions of this	chapter relatir	ng to license application	ons, license selection
40.12	criteria, gene	eral ownership disqua	lifications and	requirements, and ge	eneral operational
40.13	requirements	s do not apply to hem	p businesses.		
40.14	(b) The o	office <del>, by rule,</del> shall es	tablish forms a	and procedures for the	e processing of hemp
40.15	licenses issu	ed under this chapter.	At a minimum	, any application to ob	otain or renew a hemp
40.16	license shall	include the following	g information,	if applicable:	
40.17	(1) the na	ame, address, and date	e of birth of th	e applicant;	
40.18	(2) the ac	ldress and legal prope	erty description	n of the business;	
40.19	(3) proof	of trade name registr	ation;		
40.20	(4) certif	ication that the applic	ant will compl	y with the requireme	nts of this chapter
40.21	relating to th	e ownership and open	ration of a hem	np business;	
40.22	(5) identi	fication of one or mo	re controlling p	persons or managerial	employees as agents
40.23	who shall be	responsible for deali	ng with the off	fice on all matters; an	.d
40.24	(6) a state	ement that the applica	nt agrees to res	spond to the office's s	upplemental requests
40.25	for informat	ion.			
40.26	(c) An ap	plicant for a lower-po	otency hemp e	dible manufacturer lie	cense must submit an
40.27	attestation si	gned by a bona fide l	abor organizat	ion stating that the ap	plicant has entered
40.28	into a labor j	peace agreement.			
40.29	<del>(d) An ap</del>	plication on behalf o	f a corporation	or association shall	be signed by at least
40.30	two officers	or managing agents c	of that entity.		

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41.1 Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.45, is amended by adding a subdivision to
41.2 read:

41.3 <u>Subd. 6.</u> Building conditions. (a) A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer must
41.4 comply with state and local building, fire, and zoning codes, requirements, and regulations.
41.5 (b) A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer must ensure that licensed premises are

41.6 maintained in a clean and sanitary condition and are free from infestation by insects, rodents,

41.7 <u>or other pests.</u>

41.8 Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Compliant products. (a) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer shall ensure
that all lower-potency hemp edibles offered for sale comply with the limits on the amount
and types of cannabinoids that a lower-potency hemp edible can contain, including but not
limited to the requirement that lower-potency hemp edibles:

(1) consist of servings that contain no more than five milligrams of delta-9
tetrahydrocannabinol, no more than 25 milligrams of cannabidiol, no more than 25 milligrams
of cannabigerol, or any combination of those cannabinoids that does not exceed the identified
amounts, except that a lower-potency hemp edible that is intended to be consumed as a
beverage may contain no more than ten milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol in a
single-serving container;

41.19 (2) do not contain more than a combined total of 0.5 milligrams of all other cannabinoids
41.20 per serving; and

41.21 (3) do not contain an artificially derived cannabinoid other than delta-941.22 tetrahydrocannabinol.

(b) If a lower-potency hemp edible is packaged in a manner that includes more than a 41.23 single serving, the lower-potency hemp edible must indicate each serving by scoring, 41.24 wrapping, or other indicators that appear on the lower-potency hemp edible designating the 41.25 individual serving size. If it is not possible to indicate a single serving by scoring or use of 41.26 another indicator that appears on the product, the lower-potency hemp edible may not be 41.27 packaged in a manner that includes more than a single serving in each container, except 41.28 that a calibrated dropper, measuring spoon, or similar device for measuring a single serving 41.29 may be used for any edible cannabinoid products that are intended to be combined with 41.30 41.31 food or beverage products prior to consumption. If the lower-potency hemp edible is meant to be consumed as a beverage, the beverage container may not contain more than two 41.32

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servings per container. If the lower-potency hemp edible is meant to be consumed as a 42.1 beverage, the beverage container must not contain more than two servings. 42.2 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), any edible cannabinoid product that is intended to 42.3 be combined with food or beverage products before consumption must indicate the amount 42.4 of a single serving using one of the following methods: 42.5 (1) the product must be packaged in individual servings; 42.6 42.7 (2) the product must indicate a single serving by scoring or using another indicator that appears on the product; or 42.8 (3) the product must be sold with a calibrated dropper, measuring spoon, or similar 42.9 device for measuring a single serving. 42.10 (c) (d) A single package containing multiple servings of a lower-potency hemp edible 42.11 must contain no more than 50 milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, 250 milligrams 42.12 of cannabidiol, 250 milligrams of cannabigerol, or any combination of those cannabinoids 42.13 that does not exceed the identified amounts. 42.14 Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.51, subdivision 2, is amended to read: 42.15 Subd. 2. Distribution requirements. (a) Prior to distribution of medical cannabis flower 42.16 or medical cannabinoid products to a person enrolled in the registry program, an employee 42.17 with a valid medical cannabis consultant certificate issued by the office or a licensed 42.18 pharmacist under chapter 151 of a cannabis business must: 42.19 42.20 (1) review and confirm the patient's enrollment in the registry program; (2) verify that the person requesting the distribution of medical cannabis flower or 42.21 medical cannabinoid products is the patient, the patient's registered designated caregiver, 42.22 or the patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse using the procedures established by the 42.23 office; 42.24 (3) provide confirm that the patient had a consultation to the patient with (i) an employee 42.25 with a valid medical cannabis consultant certificate issued by the office; or (ii) an employee 42.26 who is a licensed pharmacist under chapter 151 to determine the proper medical cannabis 42.27 flower or medical cannabinoid product, dosage, and paraphernalia for the patient if required 42.28 under subdivision 3; 42.29 (4) apply a patient-specific label on the medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid 42.30

42.31 product that includes recommended dosage requirements and other information as required
42.32 by the office; and

43.1	(5) provide the patient with any other information required by the office.
43.2	(b) A cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement may not deliver
43.3	medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products to a person enrolled in the registry
43.4	program unless the cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement also holds
43.5	a cannabis delivery service license. The delivery of medical cannabis flower and medical
43.6	cannabinoid products are subject to the provisions of section 342.42.
43.7	Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.51, is amended by adding a subdivision to
43.8	read:
43.9	Subd. 2a. Distribution to visiting patients. (a) A cannabis business with a medical
43.10	cannabis retail endorsement may distribute medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid
43.11	products to a visiting patient.
43.12	(b) Before receiving a distribution of medical cannabis, a visiting patient must provide
43.13	to an employee of the cannabis business:
43.14	(1) a valid medical cannabis registration verification card or equivalent document issued
43.15	by a Tribal medical cannabis program that indicates that the visiting patient is authorized
43.16	to use medical cannabis on Indian lands over which the Tribe has jurisdiction; and
43.17	(2) a valid photographic identification card issued by the Tribal medical cannabis
43.18	program, a valid driver's license, or a valid state identification card.
43.19	(c) Prior to the distribution of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products
43.20	to a visiting patient, an employee of a cannabis business must:
43.21	(1) ensure that a patient-specific label has been applied to all medical cannabis flower
43.22	and medical cannabinoid products. The label must include the recommended dosage
43.23	requirements and other information required by the office; and
43.24	(2) provide the patient with any other information required by the office.
43.25	(d) For each transaction that involves a visiting patient, a cannabis business with a
43.26	medical cannabis retail endorsement must report to the office on a weekly basis:
43.27	(1) the name of the visiting patient;
43.28	(2) the name of the Tribal medical cannabis program in which the visiting patient is
43.29	enrolled;
43.30	(3) the amount and dosages of medical cannabis distributed;
43.31	(4) the chemical composition of the medical cannabis distributed; and

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44.1	(5) the track	king number assign	ned to the medic	al cannabis that was di	istributed to the
44.2	visiting patient	<u>.</u>			
44.3	(e) A canna	bis business with a	n medical canna	bis retail endorsement	may distribute
44.4	medical cannab	ois flower and med	ical cannabinoi	d products to a visiting	patient in a motor
44.5	vehicle if:				
44.6	<u>(1) an empl</u>	oyee of the cannab	is business with	n a medical cannabis re	tail endorsement
44.7	receives payme	nt and distributes n	nedical cannabis	flower and medical car	nnabinoid products
44.8	in a designated	zone that is as close	se as feasible to	the front door of the fa	acility where the
44.9	cannabis busin	ess is located;			
44.10	(2) the cann	abis business with	a medical cann	abis retail endorsemen	t ensures that the
44.11	receipt of paym	nent and distribution	on of medical ca	nnabis flower and med	lical cannabinoid
44.12	products are vis	ually recorded by a	closed-circuit to	elevision surveillance ca	amera and provides
44.13	any other neces	ssary security safeg	guards required	by the office;	
44.14	(3) the cann	abis business with	a medical cann	abis retail endorsemen	t does not store
44.15	medical cannab	ois flower or medic	al cannabinoid	products outside a rest	ricted access area;
44.16	<u>(4) an empl</u>	oyee of the cannab	is business with	n a medical cannabis re	tail endorsement
44.17	transports med	ical cannabis flowe	er and medical of	annabinoid products fi	rom a restricted
44.18	access area to t	he designated zone	e for distribution	to patients only after o	confirming that the
44.19	visiting patient	has arrived in the	designated zone	<u>.</u>	
44.20	(5) the payn	nent for and distribu	ution of medical	cannabis flower and m	edical cannabinoid
44.21	products to a pa	atient only occurs a	after meeting th	e requirements in para	graph (b);
44.22	(6) immedia	ately following the	distribution of	medical cannabis flow	er or medical
44.23	cannabinoid pr	oducts to a patient,	, an employee o	f the cannabis business	with a medical
44.24	cannabis retail	endorsement record	ds the transactio	n in the statewide moni	toring system; and
44.25	(7) immedia	ately following the	distribution of	medical cannabis flow	er and medical
44.26	cannabinoid pro	oducts, an employe	ee of the cannab	is business with a med	ical cannabis retail
44.27	endorsement tra	ansports all payme	nts received int	o the facility where the	cannabis business
44.28	is located.				
44.29	Sec 59 Minr	uesota Statutes 202	4 section $342$	52, is amended by addir	ng a subdivision to
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44.31		llowable delivery	methods A po	tient in the registry pro	oram may receive
44.32	meurcar cannat	his nower and med	ical califiadinol	d products. The office	may approve

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# 45.1 additional delivery methods to expand the types of products that qualify as medical 45.2 cannabinoid products.

45.3

Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.52, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. Registered designated caregiver. (a) The office must register a designated
caregiver for a patient if the patient requires assistance in administering medical cannabis
flower or medical cannabinoid products; obtaining medical cannabis flower, medical
cannabinoid products, or medical cannabis paraphernalia from a cannabis business with a
medical cannabis retail endorsement; or cultivating cannabis plants as permitted by section
342.09, subdivision 2.

45.10 (b) In order to serve as a designated caregiver, a person must:

45.11 (1) be at least 18 years of age;

45.12 (2) agree to only possess the patient's medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid45.13 products for purposes of assisting the patient; and

45.14 (3) agree that if the application is approved, the person will not serve as a registered
45.15 designated caregiver for more than six registered patients at one time. Patients who reside
45.16 in the same residence count as one patient.

45.17 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent a registered designated caregiver
45.18 from being enrolled in the registry program as a patient and possessing and administering
45.19 medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products as a patient.

45.20 (d) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a registered designated caregiver approved to assist a patient enrolled in the registry program with obtaining medical cannabis flower 45.21 may cultivate cannabis plants on behalf of one patient. A registered designated caregiver 45.22 may grow up to eight cannabis plants for the patient household that the registered designated 45.23 caregiver is approved to assist with obtaining medical cannabis flower. If a patient enrolled 45.24 in the registry program directs the patient's registered designated caregiver to cultivate 45.25 cannabis plants on behalf of the patient, the patient must assign the patient's right to cultivate 45.26 cannabis plants to the registered designated caregiver and the notify the office. A patient 45.27 who assigns the patient's right to cultivate cannabis plants to a registered caregiver is 45.28 prohibited from cultivating cannabis plants for personal use. Nothing in this paragraph limits 45.29 the right of a registered designated caregiver cultivating cannabis plants on behalf of a 45.30 patient enrolled in the registry program to also cultivate cannabis plants for personal use 45.31 pursuant to section 342.09, subdivision 2. 45.32

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Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.56, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Health care facilities. (a) Health care facilities licensed under chapter 144A; 46.2 hospice providers licensed under chapter 144A; boarding care homes or supervised living 46.3 facilities licensed under section 144.50; assisted living facilities under chapter 144G; facilities 46.4 owned, controlled, managed, or under common control with hospitals licensed under chapter 46.5 144; and other health care facilities licensed by the commissioner of health or the 46.6 commissioner of human services may adopt reasonable restrictions on the use of medical 46.7 cannabis flower or medical, cannabinoid products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived 46.8 consumer products, or hemp-derived topical products by a patient enrolled in the registry 46.9 program who resides at or is actively receiving treatment or care at the facility. The 46.10 restrictions may include a provision that the facility must not store or maintain a patient's 46.11 supply of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products on behalf of the patient; 46.12 that a patient store the patient's supply of medical cannabis flower or medicinal, cannabinoid 46.13 products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, or hemp-derived 46.14 topical products in a locked container accessible only to the patient, the patient's designated 46.15 caregiver, or the patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse; that the facility is not responsible 46.16 for providing medical cannabis or hemp for patients; and that medical cannabis flower or 46.17 medical, cannabinoid products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer 46.18 products, or hemp-derived topical products are used only in a location specified by the 46.19 facility or provider. Nothing in this subdivision requires facilities and providers listed in 46.20 this subdivision to adopt such restrictions. 46.21

(b) No facility or provider listed in this subdivision may unreasonably limit a patient's 46.22 access to or use of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products, lower-potency 46.23 hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, or hemp-derived topical products to the 46.24 extent that such use is authorized under sections 342.51 to 342.59, or, in the case of a visiting 46.25 patient, authorized to use medical cannabis under the laws of their state of residence. No 46.26 facility or provider listed in this subdivision may prohibit a patient access to or use of medical 46.27 cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products due solely to the fact that cannabis is a 46.28 46.29 controlled substance pursuant to the federal Uniform Controlled Substances Act. If a federal regulatory agency, the United States Department of Justice, or the federal Centers for 46.30 Medicare and Medicaid Services takes one of the following actions, a facility or provider 46.31 may suspend compliance with this paragraph until the regulatory agency, the United States 46.32 Department of Justice, or the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services notifies 46.33 the facility or provider that it may resume permitting the use of medical cannabis flower or 46.34 medical, cannabinoid products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer 46.35

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47.1 products, or hemp-derived topical products within the facility or in the provider's service
47.2 setting:

47.3 (1) a federal regulatory agency or the United States Department of Justice initiates
47.4 enforcement action against a facility or provider related to the facility's compliance with
47.5 the medical cannabis program; or

47.6 (2) a federal regulatory agency, the United States Department of Justice, or the federal
47.7 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services issues a rule or otherwise provides notification
47.8 to the facility or provider that expressly prohibits the use of medical cannabis in health care
47.9 facilities or otherwise prohibits compliance with the medical cannabis program.

(c) An employee or agent of a facility or provider listed in this subdivision or a person
licensed under chapter 144E is not violating this chapter or chapter 152 for the possession
of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products while carrying out employment
duties, including providing or supervising care to a patient enrolled in the registry program,
or distribution of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products to a patient
enrolled in the registry program who resides at or is actively receiving treatment or care at
the facility or from the provider with which the employee or agent is affiliated.

47.17 (d) Nothing in this subdivision is intended to require a facility covered by this subdivision
47.18 to permit violations of sections 144.411 to 144.417.

47.19 (e) This subdivision does not apply to sober homes under section 254B.181.

47.20 Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.57, is amended to read:

### 47.21 **342.57 PROTECTIONS FOR REGISTRY PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.**

47.22 Subdivision 1. Presumption. (a) There is a presumption that a patient or other person
47.23 <u>an individual enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program patient</u>
47.24 is engaged in the authorized use or possession of medical cannabis flower and medical
47.25 cannabinoid products.

47.26 (b) This presumption may be rebutted by evidence that:

47.27 (1) the use or possession of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products
47.28 by a patient or other person enrolled in the registry program was not for the purpose of
47.29 assisting with, treating, or alleviating the patient's qualifying medical condition or symptoms
47.30 associated with the patient's qualifying medical condition-; or

47.31 (2) a Tribal medical cannabis program patient's use of medical cannabis was not for a
47.32 purpose authorized by the Tribal medical cannabis program.

48.1 Subd. 2. Criminal and civil protections. (a) Subject to section 342.56, the following
48.2 are not violations of this chapter or chapter 152:

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- (1) use or possession of medical cannabis flower, medical cannabinoid products, or
  medical cannabis paraphernalia by a patient enrolled in the registry program or by a visiting
  <del>patient</del> or a Tribal medical cannabis program patient to whom medical cannabis flower or
  medical cannabinoid products are distributed under section 342.51, subdivision 5;
- 48.7 (2) possession of medical cannabis flower, medical cannabinoid products, or medical
  48.8 cannabis paraphernalia by a registered designated caregiver or a parent, legal guardian, or
  48.9 spouse of a patient enrolled in the registry program; or
- (3) possession of medical cannabis flower, medical cannabinoid products, or medical
  cannabis paraphernalia by any person while carrying out duties required under sections
  342.51 to 342.60.
- (b) The Office of Cannabis Management, members of the Cannabis Advisory Council, 48.13 Office of Cannabis Management employees, agents or contractors of the Office of Cannabis 48.14 Management, members of a Tribal medical cannabis board, a Tribal medical cannabis board's 48.15 staff, a Tribal medical cannabis board's agents or contractors, and health care practitioners 48.16 participating in the registry program are not subject to any civil penalties or disciplinary 48.17 action by the Board of Medical Practice, the Board of Nursing, or any business, occupational, 48.18 or professional licensing board or entity solely for participating in the registry program or 48.19 in a Tribal medical cannabis program either in a professional capacity or as a patient. A 48.20 pharmacist licensed under chapter 151 is not subject to any civil penalties or disciplinary 48.21 action by the Board of Pharmacy when acting in accordance with sections 342.51 to 342.60 48.22 either in a professional capacity or as a patient. Nothing in this section prohibits a professional 48.23 licensing board from taking action in response to a violation of law. 48.24
- (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a Cannabis Advisory Council member, the
  governor, or an employee of a state agency must not be held civilly or criminally liable for
  any injury, loss of property, personal injury, or death caused by any act or omission while
  acting within the scope of office or employment under sections 342.51 to 342.60.
- (d) Federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities are prohibited from accessing
  the registry except when acting pursuant to a valid search warrant. Notwithstanding section
  13.09, a violation of this paragraph is a gross misdemeanor.
- (e) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the office and employees of the office must
  not release data or information about an individual contained in any report or document or
  in the registry and must not release data or information obtained about a patient enrolled in

49.1	the registry program, except as provided in sections 342.51 to 342.60. Notwithstanding
49.2	section 13.09, a violation of this paragraph is a gross misdemeanor.
49.3	(f) No information contained in a report or document, contained in the registry, or
49.4	obtained from a patient under sections 342.51 to 342.60 or from a Tribal medical cannabis
49.5	program patient may be admitted as evidence in a criminal proceeding, unless:
49.6	(1) the information is independently obtained; or
49.7	(2) admission of the information is sought in a criminal proceeding involving a criminal
49.8	violation of sections 342.51 to 342.60.
49.9	(g) Possession of a registry verification or an application for enrollment in the registry
49.10	program and possession of a verification of enrollment or its equivalent issued by a Tribal
49.11	medical cannabis program or application for enrollment in a Tribal medical cannabis program
49.12	by a person entitled to possess the verification of enrollment or application for enrollment:
49.13	(1) does not constitute probable cause or reasonable suspicion;
49.14	(2) must not be used to support a search of the person or property of the person with a
49.15	registry verification or application to enroll in the registry program; and
49.16	(3) must not subject the person or the property of the person to inspection by any
49.17	government agency.
49.18	(h) A patient enrolled in the registry program or in a Tribal medical cannabis program
49.19	must not be subject to any penalty or disciplinary action by an occupational or a professional
49.20	licensing board solely because:
49.21	(1) the patient is enrolled in the registry program or in a Tribal medical cannabis program;
49.22	<u>or</u>
49.23	(2) the patient has a positive test for cannabis components or metabolites.
49.24	Subd. 3. School enrollment; rental property. (a) No school may refuse to enroll or
49.25	otherwise penalize a patient or person enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical
49.26	cannabis program as a pupil solely because the patient or person is enrolled in the registry
49.27	program or a Tribal medical cannabis program, unless failing to do so would violate federal
49.28	law or regulations or cause the school to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under
49.29	federal law or regulations.
49.30	(b) No landlord may refuse to lease to a patient or person enrolled in the registry program
49.31	or a Tribal medical cannabis program or otherwise penalize a patient or person enrolled in

49.32 the registry program <u>or a Tribal medical cannabis program</u> solely because the patient or

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50.1	person is en	olled in the registry r	program or a Tri	bal medical cannabis	program, unless
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50.2	C		c	lations or cause the la	ildiord to lose a
50.3	monetary or	licensing-related ben	efit under feder	al law or regulations.	
50.4	<u>(c)</u> A sch	ool must not refuse to	o enroll a patien	t as a pupil solely bec	ause cannabis is a
50.5	controlled su	ubstance according to	the Uniform Co	ontrolled Substances A	Act, United States
50.6	Code, title 2	1, section 812.			
50.7	(d) A sch	ool must not penalize	e a pupil who is	a patient solely becau	use cannabis is a
50.8	controlled su	ubstance according to	the Uniform Co	ontrolled Substances A	Act, United States
50.9	Code, title 2	1, section 812.			
50.10	<u>(e)</u> A lan	dlord must not refuse	to lease a prope	erty to a patient solely	because cannabis
50.11	is a controlle	d substance according	g to the Uniform	Controlled Substance	s Act, United States
50.12	Code, title 2	1, section 812.			
50.13	(f) A land	llord must not otherwis	se penalize a pat	ient solely because can	nabis is a controlled
50.14	substance ac	cording to the Unifor	m Controlled S	ubstances Act, United	States Code, title
50.15	21, section 8	12.			
50.16	Subd. 4.	Medical care. For pu	rposes of medio	cal care, including org	an transplants, a
50.17	patient's use	of medical cannabis	flower or medic	al cannabinoid produ	cts according to
50.18	sections 342	.51 to 342.60 <u>, or a Tr</u>	ibal medical car	nnabis program patien	t's use of medical

cannabis as authorized by a Tribal medical cannabis program, is considered the equivalent 50.19 of the authorized use of a medication used at the discretion of a health care practitioner and 50.20 does not disqualify a patient from needed medical care. 50.21

Subd. 5. Employment. (a) Unless a failure to do so would violate federal or state law 50.22 or regulations or cause an employer to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under 50.23 federal law or regulations, an employer may not discriminate against a person in hiring, 50.24 termination, or any term or condition of employment, or otherwise penalize a person, if the 50.25 discrimination is based on: 50.26

(1) the person's status as a patient or person an individual enrolled in the registry program; 50.27 50.28 <del>or</del>

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# (2) the person's status as a Tribal medical cannabis program patient; or

(2) (3) a patient's positive drug test for cannabis components or metabolites, unless the 50.30 patient used, possessed, sold, transported, or was impaired by medical cannabis flower or 50.31 a medical cannabinoid product on work premises, during working hours, or while operating 50.32 an employer's machinery, vehicle, or equipment. 50.33

51.1 (b) An employee who is a patient <u>in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis</u> 51.2 <u>program and whose employer requires the employee to undergo drug testing according to</u> 51.3 section 181.953 may present the employee's registry verification <u>or verification of enrollment</u> 51.4 <u>in a Tribal medical cannabis program as part of the employee's explanation under section</u> 51.5 181.953, subdivision 6.

51.6 Subd. 5a. Notice. An employer, a school, or a landlord must provide written notice to
51.7 a patient at least 14 days before the employer, school, or landlord takes an action against
51.8 the patient that is prohibited under subdivision 3 or 5. The written notice must cite the
51.9 specific federal law or regulation the employer, school, or landlord believes would be
51.10 violated if the employer, school, or landlord fails to take action. The notice must specify
51.11 which monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations the employer,
51.12 school, or landlord would lose if the employer, school, or landlord fails to take action.

Subd. 6. Custody; visitation; parenting time. A person must not be denied custody of 51.13 a minor child or visitation rights or parenting time with a minor child based solely on the 51.14 person's individual's status as a patient or person an individual enrolled in the registry 51.15 program or on the individual's status as a Tribal medical cannabis program patient. There 51.16 must be no presumption of neglect or child endangerment for conduct allowed under sections 51.17 342.51 to 342.60 or under a Tribal medical cannabis program, unless the person's individual's 51.18 behavior creates an unreasonable danger to the safety of the minor as established by clear 51.19 and convincing evidence. 51.20

51.21 Subd. 6a. Retaliation prohibited. A school, a landlord, a health care facility, or an
51.22 employer must not retaliate against a patient for asserting the patient's rights or seeking
51.23 remedies under this section or section 152.32.

Subd. 7. Action for damages; injunctive relief. In addition to any other remedy provided 51.24 by law, a patient or person an individual enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical 51.25 51.26 cannabis program may bring an action for damages against any person who violates subdivision 3, 4, or 5. A person who violates subdivision 3, 4, or 5 is liable to a patient or 51.27 person an individual enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program 51.28 injured by the violation for the greater of the person's actual damages or a civil penalty of 51.29 \$100 \$1,000 and reasonable attorney fees. A patient may bring an action for injunctive relief 51.30 to prevent or end a violation of subdivisions 3 to 6a. 51.31

51.32 Subd. 8. Sanctions restricted for those on parole, supervised release, or conditional
51.33 release. (a) This subdivision applies to an individual placed on parole, supervised release,
51.34 or conditional release.

- 52.1 (b) The commissioner of corrections may not:
- 52.2 (1) prohibit an individual from participating in the registry program or a Tribal medical
   52.3 <u>cannabis program</u> as a condition of release; or

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- 52.4 (2) revoke an individual's parole, supervised release, or conditional release or otherwise
  52.5 sanction an individual solely:
- 52.6 (i) for participating in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program; or
- 52.7 (ii) for a positive drug test for cannabis components or metabolites.

52.8 Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.59, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Allowable use; prohibited use. Data specified in subdivision 1 may be used 52.9 to comply with chapter 13, to comply with a request from the legislative auditor or the state 52.10 auditor in the performance of official duties, and for purposes specified in sections 342.47 52.11 342.51 to 342.60. Data specified in subdivision 1 and maintained by the Office of Cannabis 52.12 Management or Division of Medical Cannabis must not be used for any purpose not specified 52.13 in sections 342.47 342.51 to 342.60 and must not be combined or linked in any manner 52.14 52.15 with any other list, dataset, or database. Data specified in subdivision 1 must not be shared with any federal agency, federal department, or federal entity unless specifically ordered 52.16 to do so by a state or federal court. 52.17

52.18 Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.61, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

52.19 Subd. 4. **Testing of samples; disclosures.** (a) On a schedule determined by the office, 52.20 every cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis cultivator, cannabis 52.21 manufacturer, cannabis wholesaler with an endorsement to import products, lower-potency 52.22 hemp edible manufacturer, or medical cannabis combination business shall make each batch 52.23 of cannabis flower, cannabis products, artificially derived cannabinoids, lower-potency 52.24 hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products grown, manufactured, or imported by 52.25 the cannabis business or hemp business available to a cannabis testing facility.

(b) A cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis cultivator, cannabis manufacturer, cannabis wholesaler with an endorsement to import products, lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, or medical cannabis combination business must disclose all known information regarding pesticides, fertilizers, solvents, or other foreign materials, including but not limited to catalysts used in creating artificially derived cannabinoids, applied or added to the batch of cannabis flower, cannabis products, artificially derived cannabinoids, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products subject to

testing. Disclosure must be made to the cannabis testing facility and must include informationabout all applications by any person, whether intentional or accidental.

(c) The A cannabis testing facility business shall select one or more representative 53.3 samples from each batch, test the samples for the presence of contaminants, and test the 53.4 samples for potency and homogeneity and to allow the cannabis flower, cannabis product, 53.5 artificially derived cannabinoid, lower-potency hemp edible, or hemp-derived consumer 53.6 product to be accurately labeled with its cannabinoid profile. Testing for contaminants must 53.7 53.8 include testing for residual solvents, foreign material, microbiological contaminants, heavy metals, pesticide residue, mycotoxins, and any items identified pursuant to paragraph (b), 53.9 and may include testing for other contaminants. A cannabis testing facility must destroy or 53.10 return to the cannabis business or hemp business any part of the sample that remains after 53.11 53.12 testing.

53.13 Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

53.14 Subd. 2. **Content of label; cannabis.** All cannabis flower and hemp-derived consumer 53.15 products that consist of hemp plant parts sold to customers or patients must have affixed 53.16 on the packaging or container of the cannabis flower or hemp-derived consumer product a 53.17 label that contains at least the following information:

(1) the name and license number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
cannabis cultivator, medical cannabis combination business, or industrial hemp grower
where the cannabis flower or hemp plant part was cultivated;

(2) the net weight or volume of cannabis flower or hemp plant parts in the package orcontainer;

53.23 (3) the batch number;

53.24 (4) the cannabinoid profile;

(5) a universal symbol established by the office indicating that the package or container
contains cannabis flower, a cannabis product, a lower-potency hemp edible, or a
hemp-derived consumer product;

(6) verification that the cannabis flower or hemp plant part was tested according to
section 342.61 and that the cannabis flower or hemp plant part complies with the applicable
standards;

(7) information on the usage of the cannabis flower or hemp-derived consumer product;
(8) the following statement: "Keep this product out of reach of children."; and

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54.1 (9) any other statements or information required by the office.

54.2 Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Content of label; cannabinoid products. (a) All cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, <u>hemp concentrate</u>, hemp-derived consumer products other
than products subject to the requirements under subdivision 2, medical cannabinoid products,
and hemp-derived topical products sold to customers or patients must have affixed to the
packaging or container of the cannabis product a label that contains at least the following
information:

(1) the name and license number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
cannabis cultivator, medical cannabis combination business, or industrial hemp grower that
cultivated the cannabis flower or hemp plant parts used in the cannabis product,
lower-potency hemp edible, hemp-derived consumer product, or medical cannabinoid
product;

(2) the name and license number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
cannabis manufacturer, lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, medical cannabis
combination business, or industrial hemp grower that manufactured the cannabis concentrate,
hemp concentrate, or artificially derived cannabinoid and, if different, the name and license
number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis manufacturer,
lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, or medical cannabis combination business that
manufactured the product;

54.21 (3) the net weight or volume of the cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, or
54.22 hemp-derived consumer product in the package or container;

54.23 (4) the type of cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, or hemp-derived consumer54.24 product;

54.25 (5) the batch number;

54.26 (6) the serving size;

54.27 (7) the cannabinoid profile per serving and in total;

54.28 (8) a list of ingredients;

54.29 (9) a universal symbol established by the office indicating that the package or container

54.30 contains cannabis flower, a cannabis product, a lower-potency hemp edible, or a

54.31 hemp-derived consumer product;

55.1	(10) a warning symbol developed by the office in consultation with the commissioner
55.2	of health and the Minnesota Poison Control System that:
55.3	(i) is at least three-quarters of an inch tall and six-tenths of an inch wide;
55.4	(ii) is in a highly visible color;
55.5	(iii) includes a visual element that is commonly understood to mean a person should
55.6	stop;
55.7	(iv) indicates that the product is not for children; and
55.8	(v) includes the phone number of the Minnesota Poison Control System;
55.9	(11) verification that the cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, hemp-derived
55.10	consumer product, or medical cannabinoid product was tested according to section 342.61
55.11	and that the cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, hemp-derived consumer product,
55.12	or medical cannabinoid product complies with the applicable standards;
55.13	(12) information on the usage of the product;
55.14	(13) the following statement: "Keep this product out of reach of children."; and
55.15	(14) any other statements or information required by the office.
55.16	(b) The office may by rule establish alternative labeling requirements for lower-potency
55.17	hemp edibles that are imported into the state if those requirements provide consumers with
55.18	information that is substantially similar to the information described in paragraph (a).
55.19	Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
55.20	Subd. 5. Content of label; hemp-derived topical products. (a) All hemp-derived topical
55.21	products sold to customers must have affixed to the packaging or container of the product
55.22	a label that contains at least the following information:
55.23	(1) the manufacturer name, location, phone number, and website;
55.24	(2) the name and address of the independent, accredited laboratory used by the
55.25	manufacturer to test the product;
55.26	(3) the net weight or volume of the product in the package or container;
55.27	(4) the type of topical product;
55.28	(5) the amount or percentage of cannabidiol, cannabigerol, or any other cannabinoid,
55.29	derivative, or extract of hemp, per serving and in total;
55.30	(6) a list of ingredients;

(7) a statement that the product does not claim to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any
disease and that the product has not been evaluated or approved by the United States Food
and Drug Administration, unless the product has been so approved; and

56.4 (8) any other statements or information required by the office.

(b) The information required in paragraph (a), clauses (1), (2), and (5), may be provided
through the use of a scannable barcode or matrix barcode that links to a page on a website
maintained by the manufacturer or distributor if that page contains all of the information
required by this subdivision.

56.9 Sec. 68. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

56.10 Subd. 6. Additional information. (a) A cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, 56.11 cannabis retailer, or medical cannabis combination business must provide customers and 56.12 patients with the following information:

(1) factual information about impairment effects and the expected timing of impairment
effects, side effects, adverse effects, and health risks of cannabis flower, cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products;

(2) a statement that customers and patients must not operate a motor vehicle or heavy
machinery while under the influence of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency
hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products;

(3) resources customers and patients may consult to answer questions about cannabis
flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer
products, and any side effects and adverse effects;

(4) contact information for the poison control center and a safety hotline or website for
customers to report and obtain advice about side effects and adverse effects of cannabis
flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer
products;

56.26 (5) substance use disorder treatment options; and

56.27 (6) any other information specified by the office.

(b) A cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis retailer, or medical
 cannabis combination business may include the information described in paragraph (a) by:

(1) including the information on the label affixed to the packaging or container of cannabis

56.31 flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products

56.32 by:<u>;</u>

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57.1	(1) (2) posting the information in the premises of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis
57.2	mezzobusiness, cannabis retailer, or medical cannabis combination business; or
57.3	(2) (3) providing the information on a separate document or pamphlet provided to
57.4	customers or patients when the customer purchases cannabis flower, a cannabis product, a
57.5	lower-potency hemp edible, or a hemp-derived consumer product.
57.6	Sec. 69. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.66, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
57.7	Subd. 6. Prohibitions. (a) A product sold to consumers under this section must not be
57.8	manufactured, marketed, distributed, or intended:
57.9	(1) for external or internal use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention
57.10	of disease in humans or other animals;
57.11	(2) to affect the structure or any function of the bodies of humans or other animals;
57.12	(3) to be consumed by combustion or vaporization of the product and inhalation of
57.13	smoke, aerosol, or vapor from the product;
57.14	(4) to be consumed through chewing; or
57.15	(5) to be consumed through injection or application to nonintact skin or a mucous
57.16	membrane or nonintact skin, except for products applied sublingually.
57.17	(b) A product manufactured, marketed, distributed, or sold to consumers under this
57.18	section must not:
57.19	(1) consist, in whole or in part, of any filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance;
57.20	(2) have been produced, prepared, packed, or held under unsanitary conditions where
57.21	the product may have been rendered injurious to health, or where the product may have
57.22	been contaminated with filth;
57.23	(3) be packaged in a container that is composed, in whole or in part, of any poisonous
57.24	or deleterious substance that may render the contents injurious to health;
57.25	(4) contain any additives or excipients that have been found by the United States Food
57.26	and Drug Administration to be unsafe for human or animal consumption;
57.27	(5) contain a cannabinoid or an amount or percentage of cannabinoids that is different
57.28	than the information stated on the label;
57.29	(6) contain a cannabinoid, other than cannabidiol, cannabigerol, or a cannabinoid
57.30	approved by the office, in an amount that exceeds the standard established in subdivision
57.31	23, paragraph (c); or

- (7) contain any contaminants for which testing is required by the office in amounts thatexceed the acceptable minimum standards established by the office.
- (c) No product containing any cannabinoid may be sold to any individual who is under21 years of age.
- 58.5 Sec. 70. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Eligibility; cannabis offense. (a) A person is eligible for an expungement or
  resentencing to a lesser offense if:
- (1) the person was convicted of, or adjudication was stayed for, a violation of <del>any of the</del>
   <del>following a first-, second-, third-, fourth-, or fifth-degree controlled substance crime</del> involving
- 58.10 the sale or possession of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols:
- 58.11 (i) section 152.021, subdivision 1, clause (6);
- 58.12 (ii) section 152.021, subdivision 2, clause (6);
- 58.13 (iii) section 152.022, subdivision 1, clause (5), or clause (7), item (iii);
- 58.14 (iv) section 152.022, subdivision 2, clause (6);
- 58.15 (v) section 152.023, subdivision 1, clause (5);
- 58.16 (vi) section 152.023, subdivision 2, clause (5);
- 58.17 (vii) section 152.024, subdivision (4); or
- 58.18 (viii) section 152.025, subdivision 2, clause (1) under Minnesota Statutes 2023
- 58.19 Supplement, section 152.021, 152.022, 152.023, 152.024, or 152.025, or a previous version
- 58.20 of those or any other statutes criminalizing the possession, sale, transportation, or cultivation
- 58.21 of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols;
- (2) the offense did not involve a dangerous weapon, the intentional infliction of bodily
  harm on another, an attempt to inflict bodily harm on another, or an act committed with the
  intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death;
- (3) the act on which the charge was based would either be a lesser offense or no longerbe a crime after August 1, 2023; and
- (4) the person did not appeal the conviction, any appeal was denied, or the deadline tofile an appeal has expired.

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# 59.1 (b) A person is eligible for an expungement for any other offense charged along with

59.2 <u>the underlying crime described in paragraph (a) if the charge was either dismissed or eligible</u>
59.3 for expungement under section 609A.055.

59.4 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, a "lesser offense" means a nonfelony offense if the 59.5 person was charged with a felony.

#### 59.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

59.7 Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

59.8 Subd. 7. **Review and determination.** (a) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall review 59.9 all available records to determine whether the conviction or stay of adjudication <u>or charge</u> 59.10 is eligible for an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense. An expungement under 59.11 this section is presumed to be in the public interest unless there is clear and convincing 59.12 evidence that an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense would create a risk to 59.13 public safety.

(b) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public
interest, the board shall determine whether a person's conviction should be vacated and
charges should be dismissed.

(c) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public
interest, the board shall determine whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision
59.19 5a, apply.

(d) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public
interest, the board shall determine whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision
7a, paragraph (b), clause (5), apply.

(e) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is not in the
public interest, the board shall determine whether the person is eligible for resentencing to
a lesser offense.

(f) In making a determination under this subdivision, the Cannabis Expungement Boardshall consider:

(1) the nature and severity of the underlying crime, including but not limited to the total
amount of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols possessed by the person and whether the
offense involved a dangerous weapon, the intentional infliction of bodily harm on another,
an attempt to inflict bodily harm on another, or an act committed with the intent to cause
fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death;

60.1 (2) whether an expungement or resentencing the person a lesser offense would increase60.2 the risk, if any, the person poses to other individuals or society;

(3) if the person is under sentence, whether an expungement or resentencing to a lesser
offense would result in the release of the person and whether release earlier than the date
that the person would be released under the sentence currently being served would present
a danger to the public or would be compatible with the welfare of society;

60.7 (4) aggravating or mitigating factors relating to the underlying crime, including the
 60.8 person's level of participation and the context and circumstances of the underlying crime;

60.9 (5) statements from victims and law enforcement, if any;

60.10 (6) if an expungement or resentencing the person to a lesser offense is considered,

60.11 whether there is good cause to restore the person's right to possess firearms and ammunition;

60.12 (7) if an expungement is considered, whether an expunged record of a conviction or stay
60.13 of adjudication may be opened for purposes of a background check required under section
60.14 122A.18, subdivision 8; and

60.15 (8) whether the person was also charged with other offenses in addition to the underlying
60.16 crime, the disposition of those other charges, and other factors deemed relevant by the
60.17 Cannabis Expungement Board.

(g) In making a determination under this subdivision, the Cannabis Expungement Board
shall not consider the impact the expungement would have on the offender based on any
records held by the Department of Health; Department of Children, Youth, and Families;
or Department of Human Services.

60.22 (h) The affirmative vote of three members is required for action taken at any meeting.

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**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

60.24 Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. Notice to judicial branch and offenders. (a) The Cannabis Expungement
Board shall identify any conviction or stay of adjudication or charge that qualifies for an
order of expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense and notify the judicial branch of:

60.28 (1) the name and date of birth of a person whose conviction or stay of adjudication is60.29 eligible for an order of expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense;

60.30 (2) the court file number of the eligible conviction or stay of adjudication;

60.31 (3) whether the person is eligible for an expungement;

(4) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the person's conviction should
be vacated and charges should be dismissed;

61.3 (5) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether there is good cause to restore
61.4 the offender's right to possess firearms and ammunition;

- 61.5 (6) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the limitations under section
  61.6 609A.03, subdivision 7a, paragraph (b), clause (5), apply; and
- 61.7 (7) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the expungement should also
  61.8 apply to any other offenses charged in addition to the underlying crime; and

61.9 (8) if the person is eligible for resentencing to a lesser offense, the lesser sentence to be
61.10 imposed.

(b) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to
notify any person whose conviction or stay of adjudication qualifies for an order of
expungement that the offense qualifies and notice is being sent to the judicial branch. Notice
sent pursuant to this paragraph shall inform the person that, following the order of
expungement, any records of an arrest, conviction, or incarceration should not appear on
any background check or study.

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### **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

61.18 Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. Order of expungement. (a) Upon receiving notice that an offense qualifies 61.19 for expungement, the court shall issue an order sealing all records relating to an arrest, 61.20 indictment or information, trial, verdict, or dismissal and discharge for an offense described 61.21 in subdivision 3, and any other offenses charged in addition to the underlying crime if 61.22 identified by the Cannabis Expungement Board as eligible for expungement. In addition, 61.23 the court shall order all records, including those pertaining to probation, incarceration, or 61.24 supervision, held by the Department of Corrections or local correctional officials sealed. 61.25 The courts shall not order the Department of Health; the Department of Children, Youth, 61.26 and Families; or the Department of Human Services to seal records under this section. If 61.27 the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that the person's conviction should be vacated 61.28

61.29 and charges should be dismissed, the order shall vacate and dismiss the charges.

(b) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that there is good cause to restore
the person's right to possess firearms and ammunition, the court shall issue an order pursuant
to section 609.165, subdivision 1d.

(c) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that an expunged record of a
conviction or stay of adjudication may not be opened for purposes of a background check
required under section 122A.18, subdivision 8, the court shall direct the order specifically
to the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board.

(d) The court administrator shall send a copy of an expungement order issued under this
section to each agency and jurisdiction whose records are affected by the terms of the order
and send a letter to the last known address of the person whose offense has been expunged
identifying each agency to which the order was sent.

(e) In consultation with the commissioner of human services, the court shall establish a
schedule on which it shall provide the commissioner of human services a list identifying
the name and court file number or, if no court file number is available, the citation number
of each record for a person who received an expungement under this section.

62.13 (f) Data on the person whose offense has been expunged in a letter sent under this62.14 subdivision are private data on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12.

## 62.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

### 62.16 Sec. 74. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 152.22, subdivision 2; and 342.151, subdivision 1,
are repealed.

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#### **152.22 DEFINITIONS.**

Subd. 2. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.

### 342.151 EMPLOYEES OF LICENSE HOLDERS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, a "license holder" includes a cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis cultivator, cannabis manufacturer, cannabis retailer, cannabis wholesaler, cannabis transporter, cannabis testing facility, cannabis event organizer, cannabis delivery service, lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, lower-potency hemp edible retailer, or medical cannabis combination business.