

Chapter 31

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Subject Cannabis policy

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Overview

This is the cannabis policy bill.

Summary

Section Description

1 Definitions.

Includes the Office of Cannabis Management in the list of agencies required to maintain government-to-government relationships with Tribal governments.

2 Sale of cannabinoids derived from hemp.

Establishes that products subject to the section of law governing temporary regulations for certain products that contain nonintoxicating cannabinoids derived from hemp cannot be intended to be consumed through application to nonintact skin, but can be consumed sublingually.

3 Additional requirements for edible cannabinoid products.

Makes a technical change to describe the limit on tetrahydrocannabinol in beverages. Under current law, a single container can contain two servings of five milligrams. The amendment maintains the limit of ten milligrams, but removes the requirement that the container indicate that it is two servings.

4 Health care practitioner.

In the definition of health care practitioner in chapter 152, requires physician assistants to be acting within the scope of authorized practice; requires advanced practice registered nurses to have an active license in good standing; and makes technical changes. (These changes make this definition conform with the definition of health care practitioner in chapter 342).

5 Medical cannabis manufacturer.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

6 Patient registry number.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

7 Registry verification.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

8 Federally approved clinical trials.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

9 Office duties.

Changes "commissioner" and variants to "office" and variants to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management. Also requires regular updates on changes in federal law or regulation regarding the use of medical cannabis or hemp, and on market demand for and supply of hemp products for medicinal purposes, to be provided to the Cannabis Advisory Council rather than a defunct task force and the chairs and ranking minority members of certain legislative committees.

10 Rulemaking.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

11 Rules; adverse incidents.

Changes "commissioner" or "commissioner of health" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

12 Office duties.

Amends duties of the Office of Cannabis Management related to health care practitioners, as established in chapter 152, to conform with office duties related to health care practitioners as established in chapter 342.

13 Notice requirements.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

14 Health care practitioner duties.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

15 Advertising restrictions.

Changes "commissioner" or variants or "Department of Health" to "office" or variants to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

16 Manufacturer; requirements.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

17 Manufacturer; production.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

18 Transportation of medical cannabis; transport staffing.

Changes "commissioner" or "Department of Health" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

19 Report.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

20 Data practices.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

21 Criminal and civil protections.

Changes "commissioner" and variants to "office" and variants to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

22 Intentional diversion outside the state; penalties.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

23 Submission of false records; criminal penalty.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

24 Fees; deposit of revenue.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

25 Financial examinations; pricing reviews.

Changes "commissioner" to "office" to conform with the medical cannabis program being transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

26 **Bona fide labor organization.**

Makes a conforming change related to the requirement that a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer have an agreement with a labor organization.

27 Hemp business.

Amends the definition of "hemp business" to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

28 Labor peace agreement.

Amends the definition of labor peace agreement to include the requirement that a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer have an agreement with a labor organization.

29 License holder.

Makes a conforming change to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

30 Lower-potency hemp edible.

Amends the definition of "lower-potency hemp edible" to distinguish between products that are intended to be consumed as a beverage and other products. Specifies that a single container of a beverage can contain up to ten milligrams of THC. Increases the serving limit on certain nonintoxicating cannabinoids from 25 milligrams to 100 milligrams.

31 Medical cannabis paraphernalia.

Defines medical cannabis paraphernalia for purposes of chapter 342.

32 Tribal medical cannabis board.

Adds a definition of Tribal medical cannabis board to chapter 342 (cannabis). A similar definition is found in section 152.22 and is being repealed effective December 1, 2025.

33 Tribal medical cannabis program.

Adds a definition of Tribal medical cannabis program to chapter 342. A similar definition is found in section 152.22 and is being repealed effective December 1, 2025.

34 Tribal medical cannabis program patient.

Adds a definition of Tribal medical cannabis program patient to chapter 342. A similar definition is found in section 152.22 and is being repealed effective December 1, 2025.

35 Visting patient.

Amends the definition of "visiting patient" to include individuals who are Tribal medical cannabis program patients.

36 Medical cannabis program.

Strikes an obsolete effective date in a section transferring powers and duties regarding the medical cannabis program from the Department of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management.

37 Home cultivation of cannabis for personal use.

In the subdivision on home cultivation of cannabis for personal adult use, specifies a registered designated caregiver may cultivate up to eight cannabis plants for one patient household, and up to eight cannabis plants for the caregiver's personal adult use. Provides no more than eight of the plants grown at the caregiver's residence may be mature, flowering plants.

38 Licenses; types.

Makes a conforming change to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

39 Licenses; fees.

Establishes a licensing fee of \$10,000 for lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers. Specifies that lower-potency hemp edible retailers engaging solely in delivery must pay a licensing fee of \$250.

40 Licenses; transfers; adjustments.

Makes technical and conforming changes to align with statutory changes made in 2024.

41 Local control.

Makes a conforming change to address lower-potency hemp edible retailers who only provide a delivery service.

42 Application; contents.

Requires an application for a cannabis business license to include proof that the applicant is a social equity applicant if that status is applicable. Requires applicants to include an attestation that the applicant's business policies governing operations comply with the chapter governing cannabis businesses. Eliminates the discretionary ability of an applicant to include that information and a description of training an employer intends to provide. Eliminates the requirement that an application made on behalf of a corporation or association be signed by at least two officers or managing agents. Requires that a labor peace agreement entered into on or after August 15, 2025, address the duration of the election.

43 Review.

Makes a conforming change related to the timing of fees related to changes made in 2024.

44 Completed application; final authorization; issuance of license.

Makes a technical change to correct the description of preliminary license approval.

45 **Criminal history check.**

Makes technical changes to reflect that cannabis businesses must perform background checks on potential employees, but the requirement does not apply to hemp businesses.

46 **Disqualification.**

Makes technical changes to reflect that cannabis businesses may be disqualified after a background check, but the disqualification does not apply to employees of hemp businesses.

47 Cannabis business; general ownership disqualifications and requirements.

Clarifies that labor violations that can result in a business being unable to hold or receive a license must have been willful, as determined by the office.

48 Social equity applicants.

Authorizes individuals who received a stay of adjudication to qualify as a social equity applicant.

49 Vertical integration prohibited; exceptions.

Makes a conforming change to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

50 **Issuance of registration.**

Makes a technical change to correct the description of preliminary license approval.

51 Exception; exclusive delivery services.

Exempts lower-potency hemp edible retailers who only provide a delivery service from the requirement to register with a local unit of government and pay the applicable fee.

52 Authorized actions.

Authorizes a cannabis microbusiness to purchase products that contain cannabinoids from other cannabis and hemp businesses.

53 **Production of consumer products.**

Makes a technical correction.

54 Authorized actions.

Authorizes a cannabis mezzobusiness to purchase products that contain cannabinoids from other cannabis and hemp businesses. Makes a technical correction.

55 **Production of consumer products endorsement.**

Makes a technical correction.

56 Authorized actions.

Authorizes cannabis cultivators to sell immature plants and seedlings to other cannabis businesses. Makes technical changes.

57 Authorized actions.

Makes a conforming change to allow cannabis retailers to purchase products from lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

58 Multiple licenses; limits.

Makes a conforming change.

59 Municipal or county cannabis store.

Authorizes cities and counties that establish, own, or operate a municipal cannabis store to also hold a lower-potency hemp edible retailer license.

60 Authorized actions.

Makes a technical correction authorizing cannabis wholesalers to purchase certain products from lower-potency hemp manufacturers.

61 Importation of hemp-derived products.

Makes a conforming change to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

62 Multiple employees; secured vehicles; delivery routes.

Removes the requirement that cannabis transporters use two employees in each vehicle and replaces that with a requirement that the vehicle be secured when it is not attended. Specifies that rules requiring randomized delivery times or routes do not apply.

63 Additional information required; exception.

Creates a temporary exemption from the requirement to enter into a labor peace agreement for cannabis testing facilities that are currently authorized to test medical cannabis. The exemption expires at the time of the second renewal of a license.

64 Cannabis testing facility licenses.

Authorizes the Office of Cannabis Management to issue testing facility licenses for a testing facility that is awaiting laboratory accreditation under certain circumstances. Authorizes the office to extend or revoke the license under specific circumstances.

65 Loss of accreditation.

Requires a cannabis testing facility to report if it loses accreditation and requires the office to revoke a license upon receiving such notice.

66 Multiple licenses; limits.

Makes a conforming change to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

67 Cannabis event sales.

Removes the prohibition on giving away samples at cannabis events.

68 Cannabis sample products.

Establishes regulations on products given away as samples at cannabis events. Specifies that products must not consist of more than one gram of cannabis flower or concentrate or a single serving of a cannabis product or lower-potency hemp edible. Prohibits giving samples to a person who is visibly intoxicated. Requires that samples be recorded in the statewide monitoring system.

69 License types.

Makes a conforming change to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

70 Multiple licenses; limits.

Makes conforming changes to include lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers.

71 Exception; municipal or county licenses.

Establishes an exception in the hemp business licensing statute that allows cities and counties that establish, own, or operate a municipal cannabis store to also hold a lower-potency hemp edible retailer license.

72 Application; contents.

Removes the requirement that the form and procedure for hemp licenses be established by rule and that applications be signed by at least two officers if the applicant is a corporation.

73 Authorized actions.

Authorizes lower-potency hemp edible manufacturers to manufacture products that do not qualify as lower-potency hemp edibles for sale outside of Minnesota.

74 Products intended for sale in other jurisdictions.

Establishes requirements on products containing cannabinoids derived from hemp that are intended for sale in other jurisdictions. Prohibits such products from containing cannabinoids derived from cannabis, requires the products to be tested consistent with requirements for products sold within the state, requires packaging

and labeling of products to indicate that they are not for sale in Minnesota, and requires that the products comply with the requirements of the receiving state. Requires the manufacturer to notify distributors that the products must not be sold back into Minnesota and authorizes the office to take action based on violations that occur in other states.

75 **Building conditions.**

Requires lower-potency hemp edible manufacturers to comply with zoning requirements, fire codes, and building codes. Requires those manufacturers to maintain licensed premises in a clean and sanitary condition.

76 Lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler.

Establishes a new hemp business license for entities engaging in the wholesale of lower-potency hemp edibles. Authorizes license holders to obtain an endorsement to import products from other states consistent with the authorization for cannabis wholesalers. Authorizes license holders to transport lower-potency hemp edibles under conditions substantially similar to cannabis transporters. Requires these wholesalers to maintain a physical presence in the state.

77 Authorized actions.

Amends the licensing authorizations for lower-potency hemp edible retailers to allow for retailers to exclusively engage in delivery services.

78 Retailer operations endorsement.

Establishes a retail endorsement for lower-potency hemp edible retailers intending to operate a retail location.

79 **Delivery endorsement.**

Establishes a delivery endorsement for lower-potency hemp edible retailers intending to offer delivery services. Requires license holders seeking the endorsement to submit additional information comparable to cannabis delivery services. Requires license holders with an endorsement to follow regulations that are substantially similar to the requirements for cannabis delivery service businesses. Authorizes the office to limit the amount of lower-potency hemp edibles a delivery service can transport at one time.

80 Age verification.

Makes a conforming change requiring businesses with a delivery endorsement to comply with the requirement to confirm a customer's age.

Display and storage of lower-potency hemp edibles.

Makes a conforming change related to lower-potency hemp edible retailers who exclusively engage in delivery services.

Transportation of lower-potency hemp edibles.

Makes a conforming change related to lower-potency hemp edible retailers who exclusively engage in delivery services and exempts transporters from any requirements related to randomized delivery routes or staffing vehicles with multiple employees.

83 **Compliant products.**

Makes technical changes to remove duplicative language. The relevant provisions are contained in the definition of lower-potency hemp edible and the packaging requirements for those products.

84 **Prohibitions.**

Makes a conforming change related to lower-potency hemp edible retailers who exclusively engage in delivery services.

85 **On-site consumption.**

Authorizes a lower-potency hemp edible retailer holding an on-sale liquor license to sell lower-potency hemp beverages at events if the local unit of government authorizes such sales.

86 **Posting of notices.**

Makes a conforming change related to lower-potency hemp edible retailers who exclusively engage in delivery services.

87 **Distribution requirements.**

Modifies requirements that must be satisfied before distributing medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products to a patient, to:

- allow any employee of the cannabis business, rather than an employee with a medical cannabis consultant certificate or an employee who is a licensed pharmacist, to review and confirm the patient's eligibility and the identity of the person requesting distribution, apply a label to the medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid product being distributed, and provide other required information; and
- require the employee to confirm that the patient consulted with an employee with a medical cannabis consultant certificate or an employee who is a licensed pharmacist on the proper product, dosage, and paraphernalia.

88 **Distribution to visiting patients.**

Para. (a) allows a cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement to distribute medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products to visiting patients, including Tribal medical cannabis program patients.

Para. (b) provides, before receiving medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products, a visiting patient must provide an employee of a cannabis business with the patient's medical cannabis registration verification issued by a cannabis program in another jurisdiction and a valid photo identification.

Para. (c) provides, before distributing medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products, an employee of the cannabis business must ensure the item being distributed has a patient-specific label, and must provide other information required by the office.

Para. (d) lists information on transactions involving visiting patients that a cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement must report to the office on a weekly basis.

Para. (e) allows a cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement to distribute medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products to visiting patients in motor vehicles if the listed requirements are met.

89 Authorized actions.

Authorizes medical cannabis combination businesses to sell medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products to other businesses authorized to sell medical products to customers. Also allows medical cannabis combination businesses to deliver medical cannabis and related products to customers and to transport both medical and adult-use cannabis and related products to other businesses.

90 Transportation.

Authorizes medical cannabis combination businesses to transport cannabis and related products to other cannabis businesses. Previously, a medical cannabis combination business could only transport cannabis and related products between facilities operated by the business.

91 Allowable delivery methods.

Allows patients in the registry program to receive medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products, and allows the office to approve additional delivery methods for medical cannabinoid products.

92 Registered designated caregiver.

Requires a medical cannabis patient who assigns the right to cultivate cannabis plants at home to another person notify the office of that assignment.

93 **Health care facilities.**

Requires licensed health care facilities to allow patients enrolled in the medical cannabis program to access all types of cannabis and hemp products. Current law limits this requirement to medical cannabis and medical cannabinoid products. Requires sober homes to allow registry patients to access medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products. Facilities can establish reasonable policies and regulations related to providing access and must continue to prohibit use that would be illegal under the Clean Indoor Air Act.

94 Protections for registry program participants.

Includes patients enrolled in a Tribal medical cannabis program and the boards required to oversee those programs in the protections that exist for patients in the state's medical cannabis program.

95 Allowable use; prohibited use.

Makes conforming changes to remove a reference to a section of law that no longer applies.

96 Testing of samples; disclosures.

Makes a technical change.

97 Packaging requirements.

Makes clarifying changes addressing the amount of cannabinoids that lower-potency hemp edibles can contain. Specifies that a single container of a beverage can contain up to ten milligrams of THC and 200 milligrams of certain nonintoxicating cannabinoids. Increases the limit on certain nonintoxicating cannabinoids in other edible products from 250 milligrams to 1,000 milligrams.

98 Contents of label; cannabis.

Removes the option to list the volume of cannabis flower in a package or container. Labels must list the net weight.

99 Contents of label; cannabinoid products.

Removes the option to list the volume of cannabis products in a package or container. Labels must list the net weight.

100 Contents of label; hemp-derived topical products.

Eliminates the option to provide information on a product manufacturer, the laboratory used to test a product, and the cannabinoid profile of a product through the use of a matrix barcode (QR code).

101 Additional information.

Authorizes cannabis businesses making sales directly to customers to include certain information on a product's label. Currently, some information must be on the label and other information must either be posted on the business premises or provided as part of a separate document.

102 **Prohibitions.**

Establishes that products subject to the section of law establishing permanent regulations for certain products that contain nonintoxicating cannabinoids derived from hemp cannot be intended to be consumed through application to nonintact skin, but can be consumed sublingually.

103 Eligibility; cannabis offense.

Makes a technical change related to expungement of cannabis offenses to allow for expungement of certain offenses committed under a different statutory citation. Allows the Cannabis Expungement Board to consider expungement of cannabis-related charges that were dismissed in cases where the person was convicted of a different cannabis offense.

104 Review and determination.

Makes conforming changes related to the expungement of cannabis-related charges that were dismissed.

105 Notice to judicial branch and offenders.

Makes conforming changes related to the expungement of cannabis-related charges that were dismissed.

106 Order of expungement.

Makes conforming changes related to the expungement of cannabis-related charges that were dismissed. Also directs the court to order the sealing of certain records held by the executive branch.

107 Cannabis supply chain streamlining proposal.

Directs the Office of Cannabis Management to make a proposal to the legislature that would allow for medical cannabis and adult-use cannabis cultivation and manufacturing to be streamlined. The proposal must be made by January 15, 2026.

108 Repealer.

Repeals section 152.22, subdivision 2 (definition of commissioner in the medical cannabis statutes in chapter 152); section 342.151, subdivision 1 (definition of license holder) and section 342.36, subdivision 5 (randomized deliveries).

109 Effective date.

Establishes that the act is effective the day following final enactment.



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