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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill amends various parts of the medical cannabis registry program, including, but not limited to, the registration of medical cannabis manufacturers, the time allowed for the commissioner to approve or deny applications, and the date the commissioner is required to submit a report on intractable pain.

Section

- 1** **Medical cannabis manufacturer registration.** Amends § 152.25, subdivision 1. Requires the commissioner of health to register or reregister medical cannabis manufacturers by December 1 every three years. Current law requires the commissioner to register manufacturers every year.
- 2** **Patient enrollment.** Amends § 152.27, subdivision 6. Requires the commissioner to approve or deny a patient application within 30 days after receipt of the patient's application and application fee. Allows the commissioner up to 60 days to approve the application until January 1, 2016. Allows revocation of the patient's enrollment in the registry program upon the death of the patient.
- 3** **Manufacturer; requirements.** Amends § 152.29, subdivision 1. Requires a medical cannabis manufacturer to contract with a laboratory approved by the commissioner. Current law requires the manufacturer to contract with a laboratory subject to the commissioner's approval.
- 4** **Certified annual audit.** Amends Laws 2014, chapter 311, section 17, subdivision 2. Requires the results of the annual certified financial audit to be submitted to the commissioner starting in the calendar year beginning January 2015.

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5 **Intractable pain.** Amends Laws 2014, chapter 311, section 20. Changes the date the commissioner must submit a report on intractable pain from July 1, 2016, to January 1, 2016.