



Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, due to congressional review, the Legalization of Marijuana for Medical Treatment Initiative of 1999 to set a new expiration date for qualifying patient and caregiver registration identification cards from 2 years to 6 years and to require the surrender of a registration card and notification of any registered caregiver when a person no longer requires medical cannabis; and to amend Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to establish the 4/20 Medical Cannabis Sales Tax Holiday Week for 2024.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Medical Cannabis Patient Card Extension and 4/20 Medical Cannabis Sales Tax Holiday Week Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2024”.

Sec. 2. The Legalization of Marijuana for Medical Treatment Initiative of 1999, effective February 25, 2010 (D.C. Law 13-315; D.C. Official Code § 7-1671.01 et seq.), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 5 (D.C. Official Code § 7-1671.04) is amended by adding a new subsection (e) to read as follows:

“(e)(1) Within 14 calendar days of receiving a notice as described in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a qualifying patient shall:

“(A) Surrender his or her registration card to the Board; and

36 “(B) Notify his or her registered caregiver, if applicable, of the change
37 described in the notice.

38 “(2) For the purposes of this subsection, “notice” means:

39 “(A) An authorized practitioner declaring that:

40 (i) The qualifying patient no longer suffers from a qualifying medical
41 or dental condition; or

42 (ii) The authorized practitioner no longer recommends use of medical
43 cannabis for a qualifying medical or dental treatment for the qualifying patient; or

44 “(B) A qualifying patient notifying ABCA that they no longer need cannabis for the
45 treatment of a qualifying medical or dental condition or for a qualifying medical or dental
46 treatment.”.

47 (b) Section 6(b)(5) (D.C. Official Code § 7-1671.05(b)(5)) is amended as follows:

48 (1) Subparagraph (A) is amended to read as follows:

49 “(A) With respect to registration identification cards issued to persons and
50 entities registered pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) of this subsection, such cards expire every 6
51 years;”.

52 (2) Subparagraph (C) is amended to read as follows:

53 “(C) The ABC Board may, by rule, establish license and registration periods
54 and fees under the section that are valid for one year, 2 years, or 3 years, except for registration
55 identification cards for qualifying patients and caregivers registered pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) of
56 this subsection, and temporary non-resident registration identification cards that are valid for
57 periods established by the ABC Board by rulemaking, which shall be between 3 days and no longer
58 than one year in length.”.

59 Sec. 3. Section 47-2002(a)(7)(A) of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended to
60 read as follows:

61 “(7)(A) The rate of tax shall be 6% of the gross receipts from the sale of or charges
62 for medical cannabis, as defined in § 7-1671.01(12), except for sales or charges occurring during
63 the period of April 15, 2024 through April 28, 2024, which is established as the 4/20 Medical
64 Cannabis Sales Tax Holiday Week for year 2024.”.

65 Sec. 4. Applicability.

66 This act shall apply as of July 7, 2024.

67 Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.

68 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
69 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
70 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

71 Sec. 6. Effective date.

72 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
73 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90
74 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a)
75 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C.
76 Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).