

## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2025 and 2026 HB3682

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Bob Morgan

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, and the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver from a dispensing organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Amends the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. Adds, changes, and provides for the repeal of certain definitions. Makes conforming changes to terms in the Act. Sunsets certain provisions on June 30, 2025. Adds references to the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, supplanting certain provisions in the Act on July 1, 2025. Provides for repeal of certain provisions on January 1, 2026, subjecting certain activities to the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Repeals certain provisions. Amends the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Adds and changes definitions. Makes conforming changes to terms in the Act. Removes certain references and provides for repeal of certain provisions related to the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. Makes provisions regarding mergers of certain licenses and medical patient prioritization. Provides for Adult Use Dispensing Organization licensee relocation. Provides for rescission of a conditional license, with certain requirements. Makes changes to provisions regarding Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses. Adds to requirements for Responsible Vendor Program Training modules. Adds new prohibitions and exceptions to provisions regarding changes to a dispensing organization. Requires prioritizing qualifying patients, provisional patients, and dedicated caregivers, with certain requirements. Adds certain State agencies and local health officials to provisions regarding investigations. Makes changes to provisions regarding Cultivation Center Licenses. Makes other changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning health.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Use Tax Act is amended by changing Section 3-10 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 105/3-10) from Ch. 120, par. 439.33-10

Sec. 3-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of either the selling price or the fair market value, if any, of the tangible personal property, which, on and after January 1, 2025, includes leases of tangible personal property. In all cases where property functionally used or consumed is the same as the property that was purchased at retail, then the tax is imposed on the selling price of the property. In all cases where property functionally used or consumed is a by-product or waste product that has been refined, manufactured, or produced from property purchased at retail, then the tax is imposed on the lower of the fair market value, if any, of the specific property so used in this State or on the selling price of the property purchased at retail. For purposes of this Section "fair market value" means the price at which property would change hands between a willing buyer and a willing seller, neither being under any compulsion to buy or sell and

both having reasonable knowledge of the relevant facts. The fair market value shall be established by Illinois sales by the taxpayer of the same property as that functionally used or consumed, or if there are no such sales by the taxpayer, then comparable sales or purchases of property of like kind and character in Illinois.

Beginning on July 1, 2000 and through December 31, 2000, with respect to motor fuel, as defined in Section 1.1 of the Motor Fuel Tax Law, and gasohol, as defined in Section 3-40 of the Use Tax Act, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1.25%.

Beginning on August 6, 2010 through August 15, 2010, and beginning again on August 5, 2022 through August 14, 2022, with respect to sales tax holiday items as defined in Section 3-6 of this Act, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1.25%.

With respect to gasohol, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 70% of the proceeds of sales made on or after January 1, 1990, and before July 1, 2003, (ii) 80% of the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before July 1, 2017, (iii) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after July 1, 2017 and prior to January 1, 2024, (iv) 90% of the proceeds of sales made on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028, and (v) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of gasohol is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of gasohol made during that time.

With respect to mid-range ethanol blends, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the proceeds of sales made on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028 and (ii) 100% of the proceeds of sales made thereafter. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of mid-range ethanol blends is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of mid-range ethanol blends made during that time.

With respect to majority blended ethanol fuel, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2028 but applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales made thereafter.

With respect to biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2018 and (ii) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after December 31, 2018 and before January 1, 2024. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10%

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1 biodiesel made during that time.

With respect to biodiesel and biodiesel blends with more than 10% but no more than 99% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2023. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1.

Until July 1, 2022 and from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, with respect to food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption), the tax is imposed at the rate of 1%. Beginning on July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2023, with respect to food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption), the tax is imposed at the rate of 0%. On and after January 1, 2026, food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, candy, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption) is exempt from the tax imposed by this Act.

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With respect to prescription and nonprescription medicines, drugs, medical appliances, products classified as Class III medical devices by the United States Food and Drug Administration that are used for cancer treatment pursuant to a prescription, as well as any accessories and components related to those devices, modifications to a motor vehicle for the purpose of rendering it usable by a person with a disability, and insulin, blood sugar testing materials, syringes, and needles used by human diabetics, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1%. For the purposes of this Section, until September 1, 2009: the term "soft drinks" means any complete, finished, ready-to-use, non-alcoholic drink, whether carbonated or not, including, but not limited to, soda water, cola, fruit juice, vegetable juice, carbonated water, and all other preparations commonly known as soft drinks of whatever kind or description that are contained in any closed or sealed bottle, can, carton, or container, regardless of size; but "soft drinks" does not include coffee, tea, non-carbonated water, infant formula, milk or milk products as defined in the Grade A Pasteurized Milk and Milk Products Act, or drinks containing 50% or more natural fruit or vegetable juice.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "soft drinks" means non-alcoholic beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft drinks" does not include beverages that contain milk or milk products, soy, rice or similar milk substitutes, or greater

1 than 50% of vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

Until August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine. Beginning August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks, candy, and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" does not include candy. For purposes of this Section, "candy" means a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruits, nuts or other ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. "Candy" does not include any preparation that contains flour or requires refrigeration.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "nonprescription medicines and drugs" does not include grooming and hygiene products. For purposes of this Section, "grooming and hygiene products"

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- includes, but is not limited to, soaps and cleaning solutions, 1 2 shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, antiperspirants, and sun tan lotions and screens, unless those products are available by 3 prescription only, regardless of whether the products meet the 4 5 definition of "over-the-counter-drugs". For the purposes of this paragraph, "over-the-counter-drug" means a drug for human 6 7 use that contains a label that identifies the product as a drug 8 as required by 21 CFR 201.66. The "over-the-counter-drug" 9 label includes:
- 10 (A) a "Drug Facts" panel; or
- 11 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a
  12 list of those ingredients contained in the compound,
  13 substance or preparation.
  - Beginning on January 1, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-122), and through June 30, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes medical cannabis purchased from a registered dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
  - Beginning on July 1, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver from a dispensing organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
  - As used in this Section through June 30, 2025,, "adult use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis

- 1 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
- 2 Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis subject to tax
- 3 under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 4 Beginning July 1, 2025, as used in this Section, "adult
- 5 use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis
- 6 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
- 7 Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis purchased by a
- 8 qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or
- 9 designated caregiver.
- 10 If the property that is purchased at retail from a
- 11 retailer is acquired outside Illinois and used outside
- 12 Illinois before being brought to Illinois for use here and is
- taxable under this Act, the "selling price" on which the tax is
- 14 computed shall be reduced by an amount that represents a
- 15 reasonable allowance for depreciation for the period of prior
- 16 out-of-state use. No depreciation is allowed in cases where
- the tax under this Act is imposed on lease receipts.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-700, Article 20,
- 19 Section 20-5, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 60, Section
- 20 60-15, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 65, Section 65-5, eff.
- 21 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592,
- 22 eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff. 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.)
- 23 Section 10. The Service Use Tax Act is amended by changing
- 24 Section 3-10 as follows:

1 (35 ILCS 110/3-10) (from Ch. 120, par. 439.33-10)

Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of the selling price of tangible personal property transferred, including, on and after January 1, 2025, transferred by lease, as an incident to the sale of service, but, for the purpose of computing this tax, in no event shall the selling price be less than the cost price of the property to the serviceman.

Beginning on July 1, 2000 and through December 31, 2000, with respect to motor fuel, as defined in Section 1.1 of the Motor Fuel Tax Law, and gasohol, as defined in Section 3-40 of the Use Tax Act, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1.25%.

With respect to gasohol, as defined in the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 70% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after January 1, 1990, and before July 1, 2003, (ii) 80% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before July 1, 2017, (iii) 100% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service after July 1, 2017 and before January 1, 2024, (iv) 90% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028, and (v) 100% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of gasohol,

as defined in the Use Tax Act, is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the

proceeds of sales of gasohol made during that time.

With respect to mid-range ethanol blends, as defined in Section 3-44.3 of the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028 and (ii) 100% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of mid-range ethanol blends is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the selling price of mid-range ethanol blends transferred as an incident to the sale of service during that time.

With respect to majority blended ethanol fuel, as defined in the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2028 but applies to 100% of the selling price thereafter.

With respect to biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31,

2018 and (ii) 100% of the proceeds of the selling price after December 31, 2018 and before January 1, 2024. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1 of the Use Tax Act. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel made during that time.

With respect to biodiesel, as defined in the Use Tax Act, and biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with more than 10% but no more than 99% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the proceeds of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2023. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1 of the Use Tax Act.

At the election of any registered serviceman made for each fiscal year, sales of service in which the aggregate annual cost price of tangible personal property transferred as an incident to the sales of service is less than 35%, or 75% in the case of servicemen transferring prescription drugs or

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servicemen engaged in graphic arts production, of the aggregate annual total gross receipts from all sales of service, the tax imposed by this Act shall be based on the serviceman's cost price of the tangible personal property transferred as an incident to the sale of those services.

Until July 1, 2022 and from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, the tax shall be imposed at the rate of 1% on food prepared for immediate consumption and transferred incident to a sale of service subject to this Act or the Service Occupation Tax Act by an entity licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, the Nursing Home Care Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, or the Child Care Act of 1969, or an entity that holds a permit issued pursuant to the Life Care Facilities Act. Until July 1, 2022 and from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, the tax shall also be imposed at the rate of 1% on food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise included in this paragraph).

Beginning on July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2023, the tax shall be imposed at the rate of 0% on food prepared for immediate consumption and transferred incident to a sale of service subject to this Act or the Service Occupation Tax Act

by an entity licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, the Nursing Home Care Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, or the Child Care Act of 1969, or an entity that holds a permit issued pursuant to the Life Care Facilities Act. Beginning on July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2023, the tax shall also be imposed at the rate of 0% on food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise included in this paragraph).

On <u>and an</u> after January 1, 2026, food prepared for immediate consumption and transferred incident to a sale of service subject to this Act or the Service Occupation Tax Act by an entity licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, the Nursing Home Care Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, or the Child Care Act of 1969, or by an entity that holds a permit issued pursuant to the Life Care Facilities Act is exempt from the tax under this Act. On and after January 1, 2026, food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks,

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candy, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise included in this paragraph) is exempt from the tax under this Act.

The tax shall be imposed at the rate of 1% on prescription and nonprescription medicines, drugs, medical appliances, products classified as Class III medical devices by the United States Food and Drug Administration that are used for cancer treatment pursuant to a prescription, as well as accessories and components related to those devices. modifications to a motor vehicle for the purpose of rendering it usable by a person with a disability, and insulin, blood sugar testing materials, syringes, and needles used by human diabetics. For the purposes of this Section, until September 1, 2009: the term "soft drinks" means any complete, finished, ready-to-use, non-alcoholic drink, whether carbonated or not, including, but not limited to, soda water, cola, fruit juice, vegetable juice, carbonated water, and all other preparations commonly known as soft drinks of whatever kind or description that are contained in any closed or sealed bottle, can, carton, or container, regardless of size; but "soft drinks" does not include coffee, tea, non-carbonated water, infant formula, milk or milk products as defined in the Grade A Pasteurized Milk and Milk Products Act, or drinks containing 50% or more natural fruit or vegetable juice.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "soft drinks" means non-alcoholic

1 beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft

2 drinks" does not include beverages that contain milk or milk

products, soy, rice or similar milk substitutes, or greater

than 50% of vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

Until August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine. Beginning August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks, candy, and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" does not include candy. For purposes of this Section, "candy" means a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruits, nuts or other ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. "Candy" does not include any preparation that contains flour or requires refrigeration.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act,

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- beginning September 1, 2009, "nonprescription medicines and 1 2 drugs" does not include grooming and hygiene products. For purposes of this Section, "grooming and hygiene products" 3 includes, but is not limited to, soaps and cleaning solutions, 4 5 shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, antiperspirants, and sun tan 6 lotions and screens, unless those products are available by 7 prescription only, regardless of whether the products meet the definition of "over-the-counter-drugs". For the purposes of 8 9 this paragraph, "over-the-counter-drug" means a drug for human 10 use that contains a label that identifies the product as a drug 11 as required by 21 CFR 201.66. The "over-the-counter-drug" 12 label includes:
- 13 (A) a "Drug Facts" panel; or
- 14 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a
  15 list of those ingredients contained in the compound,
  16 substance or preparation.
  - Beginning on January 1, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-122), and through June 30, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes medical cannabis purchased from a registered dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- Beginning on July 1, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver from a dispensing organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical

## 1 <u>Cannabis Program Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.</u>

As used in this Section, through June 30,2025, "adult use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis subject to tax under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

Beginning July 1, 2025, as used in this Section, "adult use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver.

If the property that is acquired from a serviceman is acquired outside Illinois and used outside Illinois before being brought to Illinois for use here and is taxable under this Act, the "selling price" on which the tax is computed shall be reduced by an amount that represents a reasonable allowance for depreciation for the period of prior out-of-state use. No depreciation is allowed in cases where the tax under this Act is imposed on lease receipts.

- 21 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-16, eff. 6-17-21;
- 22 102-700, Article 20, Section 20-10, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700,
- 23 Article 60, Section 60-20, eff. 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23;
- 24 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592, eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff.
- 25 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.)

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Section 15. The Service Occupation Tax Act is amended by changing Section 3-10 as follows:

3 (35 ILCS 115/3-10) (from Ch. 120, par. 439.103-10)

Sec. 3-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of the "selling price", as defined in Section 2 of the Service Use Tax Act, of the tangible personal property, including, on and after January 1, 2025, tangible personal property transferred by lease. For the purpose of computing this tax, in no event shall the "selling price" be less than the cost price to the serviceman of the tangible personal property transferred. The selling price of each item of tangible personal property transferred as an incident of a sale of service may be shown as a distinct and separate item on the serviceman's billing to the service customer. If the selling price is not so shown, the selling price of the tangible personal property is deemed to be 50% of the serviceman's entire billing to the service customer. When, however, a serviceman contracts to design, develop, and produce special order machinery or equipment, the tax imposed by this Act shall be based on the serviceman's cost price of the tangible personal property transferred incident to the completion of the contract.

Beginning on July 1, 2000 and through December 31, 2000, with respect to motor fuel, as defined in Section 1.1 of the Motor Fuel Tax Law, and gasohol, as defined in Section 3-40 of

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1 the Use Tax Act, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1.25%.

With respect to gasohol, as defined in the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act shall apply to (i) 70% of the cost price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after January 1, 1990, and before July 1, 2003, (ii) 80% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before July 1, 2017, (iii) 100% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service after July 1, 2017 and prior to January 1, 2024, (iv) 90% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028, and (v) 100% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of gasohol, as defined in the Use Tax Act, is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of gasohol made during that time.

With respect to mid-range ethanol blends, as defined in Section 3-44.3 of the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028 and (ii) 100% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service after December 31, 2028. If, at

any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of mid-range ethanol blends is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the selling price of mid-range ethanol blends transferred as an incident to the sale of service during that time.

With respect to majority blended ethanol fuel, as defined in the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2028 but applies to 100% of the selling price thereafter.

With respect to biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2018 and (ii) 100% of the proceeds of the selling price after December 31, 2018 and before January 1, 2024. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1 of the Use Tax Act. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of biodiesel blends with no less than 1%

and no more than 10% biodiesel made during that time.

With respect to biodiesel, as defined in the Use Tax Act, and biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with more than 10% but no more than 99% biodiesel material, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the proceeds of the selling price of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2023. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1 of the Use Tax Act.

At the election of any registered serviceman made for each fiscal year, sales of service in which the aggregate annual cost price of tangible personal property transferred as an incident to the sales of service is less than 35%, or 75% in the case of servicemen transferring prescription drugs or servicemen engaged in graphic arts production, of the aggregate annual total gross receipts from all sales of service, the tax imposed by this Act shall be based on the serviceman's cost price of the tangible personal property transferred incident to the sale of those services.

Until July 1, 2022 and from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, the tax shall be imposed at the rate of 1% on food prepared for immediate consumption and transferred incident to a sale of service subject to this Act or the Service Use Tax Act by an entity licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act,

the Nursing Home Care Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, or the Child Care Act of 1969, or an entity that holds a permit issued pursuant to the Life Care Facilities Act. Until July 1, 2022 and from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, the tax shall also be imposed at the rate of 1% on food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise included in this paragraph).

Beginning on July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2023, the tax shall be imposed at the rate of 0% on food prepared for immediate consumption and transferred incident to a sale of service subject to this Act or the Service Use Tax Act by an entity licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, the Nursing Home Care Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, or the Child Care Act of 1969, or an entity that holds a permit issued pursuant to the Life Care Facilities Act. Beginning July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2023, the tax shall also be imposed at the rate of 0% on food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft

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drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise included in this paragraph).

On and after January 1, 2026, food prepared for immediate consumption and transferred incident to a sale of service subject to this Act or the Service Use Tax Act by an entity licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, the Nursing Home Care Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, or the Child Care Act of 1969, or an entity that holds a permit issued pursuant to the Life Care Facilities Act is exempt from the tax imposed by this Act. On and after January 1, 2026, food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, candy, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise included in this paragraph) is exempt from the tax imposed by this Act.

The tax shall be imposed at the rate of 1% on prescription and nonprescription medicines, drugs, medical appliances, products classified as Class III medical devices by the United States Food and Drug Administration that are used for cancer treatment pursuant to a prescription, as well as any accessories and components related to those devices, modifications to a motor vehicle for the purpose of rendering it usable by a person with a disability, and insulin, blood

sugar testing materials, syringes, and needles used by human diabetics. For the purposes of this Section, until September 1, 2009: the term "soft drinks" means any complete, finished, ready-to-use, non-alcoholic drink, whether carbonated or not, including, but not limited to, soda water, cola, fruit juice, vegetable juice, carbonated water, and all other preparations commonly known as soft drinks of whatever kind or description that are contained in any closed or sealed can, carton, or container, regardless of size; but "soft drinks" does not include coffee, tea, non-carbonated water, infant formula, milk or milk products as defined in the Grade A Pasteurized Milk and Milk Products Act, or drinks containing 50% or more natural fruit or vegetable juice.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "soft drinks" means non-alcoholic beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft drinks" does not include beverages that contain milk or milk products, soy, rice or similar milk substitutes, or greater than 50% of vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

Until August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine. Beginning August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of

this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks, candy, and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" does not include candy. For purposes of this Section, "candy" means a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruits, nuts or other ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. "Candy" does not include any preparation that contains flour or requires refrigeration.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "nonprescription medicines and drugs" does not include grooming and hygiene products. For purposes of this Section, "grooming and hygiene products" includes, but is not limited to, soaps and cleaning solutions, shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, antiperspirants, and sun tan lotions and screens, unless those products are available by prescription only, regardless of whether the products meet the definition of "over-the-counter-drugs". For the purposes of this paragraph, "over-the-counter-drug" means a drug for human use that contains a label that identifies the product as a drug as required by 21 CFR 201.66. The "over-the-counter-drug"

1 label includes	3:
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- 2 (A) a "Drug Facts" panel; or
- 3 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a 4 list of those ingredients contained in the compound, 5 substance or preparation.

Beginning on January 1, 2014 and through June 30, 2025, (the effective date of Public Act 98-122), "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes medical cannabis purchased from a registered dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

Beginning on July 1, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver from a dispensing organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

As used in this Section, <u>and through June 30, 2025,</u> "adult use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis subject to tax under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

Beginning July 1, 2025, as used in this Section, "adult use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or

- designated caregiver.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-16, eff. 6-17-21;
- 3 102-700, Article 20, Section 20-15, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700,
- 4 Article 60, Section 60-25, eff. 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23;
- 5 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592, eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff.
- 6 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.)
- 7 Section 20. The Retailers' Occupation Tax Act is amended
- 8 by changing Section 2-10 as follows:
- 9 (35 ILCS 120/2-10) from Ch. 120, par. 441-10
- 10 Sec. 2-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this
- 11 Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of
- 12 gross receipts from sales, which, on and after January 1,
- 13 2025, includes leases, of tangible personal property made in
- 14 the course of business.
- Beginning on July 1, 2000 and through December 31, 2000,
- 16 with respect to motor fuel, as defined in Section 1.1 of the
- 17 Motor Fuel Tax Law, and gasohol, as defined in Section 3-40 of
- 18 the Use Tax Act, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1.25%.
- 19 Beginning on August 6, 2010 through August 15, 2010, and
- 20 beginning again on August 5, 2022 through August 14, 2022,
- 21 with respect to sales tax holiday items as defined in Section
- 22 2-8 of this Act, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1.25%.
- Within 14 days after July 1, 2000 (the effective date of
- Public Act 91-872), each retailer of motor fuel and gasohol

shall cause the following notice to be posted in a prominently visible place on each retail dispensing device that is used to dispense motor fuel or gasohol in the State of Illinois: "As of July 1, 2000, the State of Illinois has eliminated the State's share of sales tax on motor fuel and gasohol through December 31, 2000. The price on this pump should reflect the elimination of the tax." The notice shall be printed in bold print on a sign that is no smaller than 4 inches by 8 inches. The sign shall be clearly visible to customers. Any retailer who fails to post or maintain a required sign through December 31, 2000 is guilty of a petty offense for which the fine shall be \$500 per day per each retail premises where a violation occurs.

With respect to gasohol, as defined in the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 70% of the proceeds of sales made on or after January 1, 1990, and before July 1, 2003, (ii) 80% of the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before July 1, 2017, (iii) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after July 1, 2017 and prior to January 1, 2024, (iv) 90% of the proceeds of sales made on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028, and (v) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of gasohol, as defined in the Use Tax Act, is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of gasohol made during that time.

With respect to mid-range ethanol blends, as defined in Section 3-44.3 of the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the proceeds of sales made on or after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2028 and (ii) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of mid-range ethanol blends is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of mid-range ethanol blends made during that time.

With respect to majority blended ethanol fuel, as defined in the Use Tax Act, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2028 but applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales made thereafter.

With respect to biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 80% of the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2018 and (ii) 100% of the proceeds of sales made after December 31, 2018 and before January 1, 2024. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1 of the Use Tax Act. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on sales of biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel is imposed at the rate

of 1.25%, then the tax imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10% biodiesel made during that time.

With respect to biodiesel, as defined in the Use Tax Act, and biodiesel blends, as defined in the Use Tax Act, with more than 10% but no more than 99% biodiesel, the tax imposed by this Act does not apply to the proceeds of sales made on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before December 31, 2023. On and after January 1, 2024 and on or before December 31, 2030, the taxation of biodiesel, renewable diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1 of the Use Tax Act.

Until July 1, 2022 and from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, with respect to food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption), the tax is imposed at the rate of 1%. Beginning July 1, 2022 and until July 1, 2023, with respect to food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption), the tax is imposed at the rate of 0%. On and after January 1, 2026, food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult

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use cannabis, soft drinks, candy, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption) is exempt from the tax imposed by this Act.

prescription and nonprescription respect to medicines, drugs, medical appliances, products classified as Class III medical devices by the United States Food and Drug Administration that are used for cancer treatment pursuant to a prescription, as well as any accessories and components related to those devices, modifications to a motor vehicle for the purpose of rendering it usable by a person with a disability, and insulin, blood sugar testing materials, syringes, and needles used by human diabetics, the tax is imposed at the rate of 1%. For the purposes of this Section, until September 1, 2009: the term "soft drinks" means any complete, finished, ready-to-use, non-alcoholic drink, whether carbonated or not, including, but not limited to, soda water, cola, fruit juice, vegetable juice, carbonated water, and all other preparations commonly known as soft drinks of whatever kind or description that are contained in any closed or sealed bottle, can, carton, or container, regardless of size; but "soft drinks" does not include coffee, tea, non-carbonated water, infant formula, milk or milk products as defined in the Grade A Pasteurized Milk and Milk Products Act, or drinks containing 50% or more natural fruit or vegetable juice.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "soft drinks" means non-alcoholic

1 beverages that contain natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft

2 drinks" does not include beverages that contain milk or milk

products, soy, rice or similar milk substitutes, or greater

than 50% of vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

Until August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine. Beginning August 1, 2009, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" includes all food sold through a vending machine, except soft drinks, candy, and food products that are dispensed hot from a vending machine, regardless of the location of the vending machine.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, beginning September 1, 2009, "food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold" does not include candy. For purposes of this Section, "candy" means a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruits, nuts or other ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces. "Candy" does not include any preparation that contains flour or requires refrigeration.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act,

beginning September 1, 2009, "nonprescription medicines and drugs" does not include grooming and hygiene products. For purposes of this Section, "grooming and hygiene products" includes, but is not limited to, soaps and cleaning solutions, shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, antiperspirants, and sun tan lotions and screens, unless those products are available by prescription only, regardless of whether the products meet the definition of "over-the-counter-drugs". For the purposes of this paragraph, "over-the-counter-drug" means a drug for human use that contains a label that identifies the product as a drug as required by 21 CFR 201.66. The "over-the-counter-drug" label includes:

- (A) a "Drug Facts" panel; or
- 14 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a
  15 list of those ingredients contained in the compound,
  16 substance or preparation.
  - Beginning on January 1, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-122), and through June 30, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes medical cannabis purchased from a registered dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- Beginning on July 1, 2025, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver from a dispensing organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical

- 1 Cannabis Program Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
- 2 As used in this Section, and through June 30, 2025, "adult
- 3 use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis
- 4 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
- 5 Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis subject to tax
- 6 under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- Beginning July 1, 2025, as used in this Section, "adult
- 8 use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis
- 9 <u>Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser</u>
- 10 Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis purchased by a
- 11 qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or
- 12 designated caregiver.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-700, Article 20,
- 14 Section 20-20, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 60, Section
- 15 60-30, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 65, Section 65-10, eff.
- 16 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592,
- 17 eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff. 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.)
- 18 Section 25. The Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- 19 Program Act is amended by changing Sections 7, 10, 15, 25, 30,
- 20 35, 57, 60, 70, 75, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105, 110, 115, 120, 125,
- 21 130, 140, 150, 180, 200, 205, and 210 as follows:
- 22 (410 ILCS 130/7)
- Sec. 7. Lawful user and lawful products. For the purposes
- of this Act and to clarify the legislative findings on the

lawful use of cannabis:

- (1) A cardholder under this Act shall not be considered an unlawful user or addicted to narcotics solely as a result of his or her qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver status.
  - (2) All medical cannabis products purchased by a qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver at a licensed dispensing organization shall be lawful products and a distinction shall be made between medical and non medical uses of cannabis as a result of the qualifying patient's cardholder status, provisional registration for qualifying patient cardholder status, or participation in the Opioid Alternative Pilot Program under the authorized use granted under State law.
  - (3) An individual with a provisional registration for qualifying patient cardholder status, a qualifying patient in the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program, or an Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participant under Section 62 shall not be considered an unlawful user or addicted to narcotics solely as a result of his or her application to or participation in the program.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 100-1114, eff. 8-28-18; 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)
- 23 (410 ILCS 130/10)
- Sec. 10. Definitions. The following terms, as used in this
  Act, shall have the meanings set forth in this Section:

- (a) "Adequate <u>medical</u> supply" means:
  - (1) 2.5 ounces of usable cannabis during a period of 14 days and that is derived solely from an intrastate source.
  - (2) Subject to the rules of the Department of Public Health, a patient may apply for a waiver where a certifying health care professional provides a substantial medical basis in a signed, written statement asserting that, based on the patient's medical history, in the certifying health care professional's professional judgment, 2.5 ounces is an insufficient adequate medical supply for a 14-day period to properly alleviate the patient's debilitating medical condition or symptoms associated with the debilitating medical condition.
  - (3) This subsection may not be construed to authorize the possession of more than 2.5 ounces at any time without authority from the Department of Public Health.
  - (4) The pre-mixed weight of medical cannabis used in making a cannabis infused product shall apply toward the limit on the total amount of medical cannabis a registered qualifying patient may possess at any one time.
- (a-5) "Advanced practice registered nurse" means a person who is licensed under the Nurse Practice Act as an advanced practice registered nurse and has a controlled substances license under Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.

- 1 (b) "Cannabis" has the <u>same</u> meaning given <u>to</u> that term in 2 Section 1-10 <del>3</del> of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax <del>Control</del> Act.
- 3 (b-5) "Cannabis business establishment" has the same
  4 meaning given to that term in Section 1-10 of the Cannabis
  5 Regulation and Tax Act.
  - (c) "Cannabis plant monitoring system" means a system that includes, but is not limited to, testing and data collection established and maintained by the registered cultivation center and available to the Department for the purposes of documenting each cannabis plant and for monitoring plant development throughout the life cycle of a cannabis plant cultivated for the intended use by a qualifying patient from seed planting to final packaging.
  - (d) "Cardholder" means a qualifying patient, provisional patient, or a designated caregiver who has been issued and possesses a valid registry identification card by the Department of Public Health.
  - (d-5) "Certifying health care professional" means a physician, an advanced practice registered nurse, or a physician assistant.
    - (e) "Cultivation center" means a facility operated by an organization or business that is registered by the Department of Agriculture to perform necessary activities to provide only registered medical cannabis dispensing organizations with usable medical cannabis. Beginning July 1, 2025, cultivation centers registered under this Act are subject to regulation

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- 1 exclusively as a cultivation center under the Cannabis
  2 Regulation and Tax Act. Cultivation center registrations under
  3 this Act shall not be renewed after July 1, 2025.
  - (f) "Cultivation center agent" means a principal officer, board member, employee, or agent of a registered cultivation center who is 21 years of age. This paragraph shall be repealed on January 1, 2026 or older and has not been convicted of an excluded offense.
    - (g) "Cultivation center agent identification card" means a document issued by the Department of Agriculture that identifies a person as a cultivation center agent. This paragraph shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 13 (h) "Debilitating medical condition" means one or more of 14 the following:
  - (1) cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune deficiency syndrome, hepatitis C, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, Crohn's disease (including, but not limited to, ulcerative colitis), agitation of Alzheimer's disease, cachexia/wasting syndrome, muscular dystrophy, severe fibromyalgia, spinal cord disease, including but not limited to arachnoiditis, Tarlov cysts, hydromyelia, syringomyelia, Rheumatoid arthritis, fibrous dysplasia, cord injury, traumatic brain spinal injury and post-concussion syndrome, Multiple Sclerosis, Arnold-Chiari malformation and Syringomyelia,

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- (1.5) terminal illness with a diagnosis of 6 months or less; if the terminal illness is not one of the qualifying debilitating medical conditions, then the certifying health care professional shall on the certification form identify the cause of the terminal illness; or
- (2) any other debilitating medical condition or its treatment that is added by the Department of Public Health by rule as provided in Section 45.
- (i) "Designated caregiver" means a person who: (1) is at least 21 years of age; (2) has agreed to assist with a patient's medical use of cannabis; (3) has not been convicted

1	of an excluded offense; and $(3)$ (4) assists no more than one
2	registered qualifying patient with his or her medical use of
3	cannabis. Beginning July 1, 2025, a designated caregiver
4	registered under this Act may perform the designated
5	caregiver's duties at any dispensary licensed by the
6	Department of Financial and Professional Regulation under the
7	Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

- (j) "Dispensing organization agent identification card" means a document issued by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation that identifies a person as a medical cannabis dispensing organization agent. This definition shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- (k) "Enclosed, locked facility" means a room, greenhouse, building, or other enclosed area equipped with locks or other security devices that permit access only by a cultivation center's agents or a dispensing organization's agent working for the registered cultivation center or the registered dispensing organization to cultivate, store, and distribute cannabis for registered qualifying patients. This definition shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- (1) (Blank). "Excluded offense" for cultivation center agents and dispensing organizations means:
  - (1) a violent crime defined in Section 3 of the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act or a substantially similar offense that was classified as a felony in the jurisdiction where the person was convicted; or

(2) a violation of a state or federal controlled substance law, the Cannabis Control Act, or the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act that was classified as a felony in the jurisdiction where the person was convicted, except that the registering Department may waive this restriction if the person demonstrates to the registering Department's satisfaction that his or her conviction was for the possession, cultivation, transfer, or delivery of a reasonable amount of cannabis intended for medical use. This exception does not apply if the conviction was under state law and involved a violation of an existing medical cannabis law.

For purposes of this subsection, the Department of Public

Health shall determine by emergency rule within 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly what constitutes a "reasonable amount".

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(1-10) "Illinois Cannabis Tracking System" means a web-based system established and maintained by the Department of Public Health that is available to the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Illinois State Police, and registered medical cannabis dispensing organizations on a 24-hour basis to upload written certifications for Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participants, to verify Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participants, to verify Opioid Alternative Pilot Program

- participants' available cannabis allotment and assigned
  dispensary, and the tracking of the date of sale, amount, and
  price of medical cannabis purchased by an Opioid Alternative
  Pilot Program participant.
  - (m) "Medical cannabis cultivation center registration" means a registration issued by the Department of Agriculture.

    This definition shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
  - (n) "Medical cannabis container" means a sealed, traceable, food compliant, tamper resistant, tamper evident container, or package used for the purpose of containment of medical cannabis from a cultivation center to a dispensing organization. This definition shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
  - (o) "Medical cannabis dispensing organization", or "dispensing organization", or "dispensary organization", through June 30, 2025, means a facility operated by an organization or business that is registered by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to acquire medical cannabis from a registered cultivation center for the purpose of dispensing cannabis, paraphernalia, or related supplies and educational materials to registered qualifying patients, individuals with a provisional registration for qualifying patient cardholder status, or an Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participant. Beginning July 1, 2025, medical cannabis dispensing organizations licensed under this Act are subject to regulation as a dispensary under the Cannabis Regulation

## 1 and Tax Act.

(p) "Medical cannabis dispensing organization agent" or "dispensing organization agent" means a principal officer, board member, employee, or agent of a registered medical cannabis dispensing organization who is 21 years of age or older and has not been convicted of an excluded offense. Beginning July 1, 2025, medical cannabis dispensing organization agents licensed under this Act are subject to regulation as a dispensary organization agent under the

Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

- (q) "Medical cannabis infused product" means food, oils, ointments, or other products containing usable cannabis that are not smoked.
- (r) "Medical use" means the acquisition; administration; delivery; possession; transfer; transportation; or use of cannabis to treat or alleviate a registered qualifying patient's debilitating medical condition or symptoms associated with the patient's debilitating medical condition.
- (r-5) "Opioid" means a narcotic drug or substance that is
  a Schedule II controlled substance under paragraph (1), (2),
  (3), or (5) of subsection (b) or under subsection (c) of
  Section 206 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.
- (r-10) "Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participant" means an individual who has received a valid written certification to participate in the Opioid Alternative Pilot Program for a medical condition for which an opioid has been or

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- could be prescribed by a certifying health care professional based on generally accepted standards of care.
- 3 (s) "Physician" means a doctor of medicine or doctor of
  4 osteopathy licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 to
  5 practice medicine and who has a controlled substances license
  6 under Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.
  7 It does not include a licensed practitioner under any other
  8 Act including but not limited to the Illinois Dental Practice
  9 Act.
- 10 (s-1) "Physician assistant" means a physician assistant
  11 licensed under the Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987
  12 and who has a controlled substances license under Article III
  13 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.
  - (s-5) "Provisional registration" means a document issued by the Department of Public Health to a qualifying patient who has submitted: (1) an online application and paid a fee to participate in Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program pending approval or denial of the patient's application; or (2) a completed application for terminal illness.
- 20 <u>(s-10) "Provisional patient" means a qualifying patient</u>
  21 <u>who has received a provisional registration from the</u>
  22 Department of Public Health.
- 23 (t) "Qualifying patient" or "registered qualifying
  24 patient" means a person who has been diagnosed by a certifying
  25 health care professional as having a debilitating medical
  26 condition.

- 1 (u) "Registered" means licensed, permitted, or otherwise 2 certified by the Department of Agriculture, Department of 3 Public Health, or Department of Financial and Professional 4 Regulation.
  - (v) "Registry identification card" means a document issued by the Department of Public Health that identifies a person as a registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or registered designated caregiver.
    - (w) "Usable cannabis" means the seeds, leaves, buds, and flowers of the cannabis plant and any mixture or preparation thereof, but does not include the stalks, and roots of the plant. It does not include the weight of any non-cannabis ingredients combined with cannabis, such as ingredients added to prepare a topical administration, food, or drink.
    - established and maintained by the Department of Public Health that is available to the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, law enforcement personnel, and registered medical cannabis dispensing organization agents on a 24-hour basis for the verification of registry identification cards, the tracking of delivery of medical cannabis to medical cannabis dispensing organizations, and the tracking of the date of sale, amount, and price of medical cannabis purchased by a registered qualifying patient.
      - (y) "Written certification" means a document dated and

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signed by a certifying health care professional, stating (1) that the qualifying patient has a debilitating medical condition and specifying the debilitating medical condition the qualifying patient has; and (2) that (A) the certifying health care professional is treating or managing treatment of the patient's debilitating medical condition; or (B) an Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participant has a medical condition for which opioids have been or could be prescribed. A written certification shall be made only in the course of a bona fide health care professional-patient relationship, after certifying health care professional has completed assessment of either a qualifying patient's medical history or Alternative Pilot Opioid Program participant, reviewed relevant records related to the patient's debilitating condition, and conducted a physical examination.

(z) "Bona fide health care professional-patient relationship" means a relationship established at a hospital, certifying health care professional's office, or other health care facility in which the certifying health care professional has an ongoing responsibility for the assessment, care, and treatment of a patient's debilitating medical condition or a symptom of the patient's debilitating medical condition.

A veteran who has received treatment at a VA hospital shall be deemed to have a bona fide health care professional-patient relationship with a VA certifying health care professional if the patient has been seen for his or her

- 1 debilitating medical condition at the VA Hospital in
- 2 accordance with VA Hospital protocols.
- 3 A bona fide health care professional-patient relationship
- 4 under this subsection is a privileged communication within the
- 5 meaning of Section 8-802 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 100-1114, eff. 8-28-18; 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)
- 7 (410 ILCS 130/15)
- 8 Sec. 15. Authority.
- 9 (a) It is the duty of the Department of Public Health to
- 10 enforce the following provisions of this Act unless otherwise
- 11 provided for by this Act:
- 12 (1) establish and maintain a confidential registry of
- 13 qualifying patients authorized to engage in the medical
- 14 use of cannabis and their caregivers;
- 15 (2) distribute educational materials about the health
- benefits and risks associated with the use of cannabis and
- 17 prescription medications;
- 18 (3) adopt rules to administer the patient and
- 19 caregiver registration program; and
- 20 (4) adopt rules establishing food handling
- 21 requirements for cannabis-infused products that are
- 22 prepared for human consumption.
- 23 (b) Through July 1, 2025, it  $\frac{1}{1}$  is the duty of the
- 24 Department of Agriculture to enforce the provisions of this
- 25 Act relating to the registration and oversight of cultivation

- 1 centers unless otherwise provided for in this Act.
- 2 (c) Through July 1, 2025, it It is the duty of the
  3 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to enforce
  4 the provisions of this Act relating to the registration and
  5 oversight of dispensing organizations unless otherwise
  6 provided for in this Act.
  - (d) Through July 1, 2025, the The Department of Public Health, the Department of Agriculture, or the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall enter into intergovernmental agreements, as necessary, to carry out the provisions of this Act including, but not limited to, the provisions relating to the registration and oversight of cultivation centers, dispensing organizations, and qualifying patients and caregivers. Beginning July 1, 2025, the Department of Public Health may enter into intergovernmental agreements, as necessary, to carry out the provisions of this Act, including, but not limited to, the provisions relating to qualifying patients and caregivers.
  - (e) The Department of Public Health, the Department of Agriculture through July 1, 2025, or the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation through July 1, 2025 may suspend, revoke, or impose other penalties upon a registration for violations of this Act and any rules adopted in accordance thereto. The suspension or revocation of, or imposition of any other penalty upon, a registration is a final Agency action, subject to judicial review. Jurisdiction and venue for

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- 1 judicial review are vested in the Circuit Court.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15;
- 3 99-519, eff. 6-30-16.)
- 4 (410 ILCS 130/25)
- Sec. 25. Immunities and presumptions related to the medical use of cannabis.
- (a) A registered qualifying patient is not subject to 7 8 arrest, prosecution, or denial of any right or privilege, 9 including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary 10 action by an occupational or professional licensing board, for 11 the medical use of cannabis in accordance with this Act, if the 12 registered qualifying patient possesses an amount of cannabis that does not exceed an adequate medical supply as defined in 13 subsection (a) of Section 10 of this Act of usable cannabis 14 15 and, where the registered qualifying patient is a licensed 16 professional, the use of cannabis does not impair that 17 licensed professional when he or she is engaged in the practice of the profession for which he or she is licensed. 18
  - (b) A registered designated caregiver is not subject to arrest, prosecution, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by an occupational or professional licensing board, for acting in accordance with this Act to assist a registered qualifying patient to whom he or she is connected through the Department's registration process with the medical use of

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cannabis if the designated caregiver possesses an amount of cannabis that does not exceed an adequate medical supply as defined in subsection (a) of Section 10 of this Act of usable cannabis. A school nurse or school administrator is not subject to arrest, prosecution, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, a civil penalty, for acting in accordance with Section 22-33 of the School Code administering or assisting student relating to а self-administering a medical cannabis infused product. The total amount possessed between the qualifying patient and caregiver shall not exceed the patient's adequate supply as defined in subsection (a) of Section 10 of this Act.

- (c) A registered qualifying patient or registered designated caregiver is not subject to arrest, prosecution, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by an occupational or professional licensing board for possession of cannabis that is incidental to medical use, but is not usable cannabis as defined in this Act.
- (d) (1) There is a rebuttable presumption that a registered qualifying patient is engaged in, or a designated caregiver is assisting with, the medical use of cannabis in accordance with this Act if the qualifying patient or designated caregiver:
- 24 (A) is in possession of a valid registry 25 identification card; and
  - (B) is in possession of an amount of cannabis that

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- does not exceed the amount allowed under subsection (a) of Section 10.
  - (2) The presumption may be rebutted by evidence that conduct related to cannabis was not for the purpose of treating or alleviating the qualifying patient's debilitating medical condition or symptoms associated with the debilitating medical condition in compliance with this Act.
  - (e) A certifying health care professional is not subject to arrest, prosecution, or penalty in any manner, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by the Medical Disciplinary Board or by any other occupational or professional licensing board, solely for providing written certifications or for otherwise stating that, in the certifying health care professional's professional opinion, a patient is likely to receive therapeutic or palliative benefit from the medical use of cannabis to treat or alleviate the patient's debilitating medical condition or symptoms associated with the debilitating medical condition, provided that nothing shall prevent a professional licensing or disciplinary board from sanctioning a certifying health care professional for: (1) issuing a written certification to a patient who is not under the certifying health care professional's care for a debilitating medical condition; or (2) failing to properly evaluate a patient's medical condition or otherwise violating the standard of care for evaluating medical conditions.

- (f) No person may be subject to arrest, prosecution, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by an occupational or professional licensing board, solely for: (1) selling cannabis paraphernalia to a cardholder upon presentation of an unexpired registry identification card in the recipient's name, if employed and registered as a dispensing agent by a registered dispensing organization; (2) being in the presence or vicinity of the medical use of cannabis as allowed under this Act; or (3) assisting a registered qualifying patient with the act of administering cannabis.
- (g) A registered cultivation center is not subject to prosecution; search or inspection, except by the Department of Agriculture, Department of Public Health, or State or local law enforcement under Section 130; seizure; or penalty in any manner, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by a business licensing board or entity, for acting under this Act and Department of Agriculture rules to: acquire, possess, cultivate, manufacture, deliver, transfer, transport, supply, or sell cannabis to registered dispensing organizations. This subsection does not apply to events occurring on and after July 1, 2025; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2025.
  - (h) A registered cultivation center agent is not subject

to prosecution, search, or penalty in any manner, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by a business licensing board or entity, for working or volunteering for a registered cannabis cultivation center under this Act and Department of Agriculture rules, including to perform the actions listed under subsection (g). This subsection does not apply to events occurring on and after July 1, 2025; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2025.

- (i) A registered dispensing organization is not subject to prosecution; search or inspection, except by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation or State or local law enforcement pursuant to Section 130; seizure; or penalty in any manner, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by a business licensing board or entity, for acting under this Act and Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules to: acquire, possess, or dispense cannabis, or related supplies, and educational materials to registered qualifying patients or registered designated caregivers on behalf of registered qualifying patients. This subsection does not apply to events occurring on and after July 1, 2025; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2025.
  - (j) A registered dispensing organization agent is not

subject to prosecution, search, or penalty in any manner, or denial of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary action by a business licensing board or entity, for working or volunteering for a dispensing organization under this Act and Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules, including to perform the actions listed under subsection (i). This subsection does not apply to events occurring on and after July 1, 2025; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2025.

- (k) Any cannabis, cannabis paraphernalia, illegal property, or interest in legal property that is possessed, owned, or used in connection with the medical use of cannabis as allowed under this Act, or acts incidental to that use, may not be seized or forfeited. This Act does not prevent the seizure or forfeiture of cannabis exceeding the amounts allowed under this Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, nor shall it prevent seizure or forfeiture if the basis for the action is unrelated to the cannabis that is possessed, manufactured, transferred, or used under this Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
- (1) Mere possession of, or application for, a registry identification card or registration certificate does not constitute probable cause or reasonable suspicion, nor shall it be used as the sole basis to support the search of the

- person, property, or home of the person possessing or applying for the registry identification card. The possession of, or application for, a registry identification card does not preclude the existence of probable cause if probable cause exists on other grounds.
  - (m) Nothing in this Act shall preclude local or State law enforcement agencies from searching a registered cultivation center where there is probable cause to believe that the criminal laws of this State have been violated and the search is conducted in conformity with the Illinois Constitution, the Constitution of the United States, and all State statutes.
  - (n) Nothing in this Act shall preclude local or State law enforcement agencies from searching a registered dispensing organization where there is probable cause to believe that the criminal laws of this State have been violated and the search is conducted in conformity with the Illinois Constitution, the Constitution of the United States, and all State statutes.
  - (o) No individual employed by the State of Illinois shall be subject to criminal or civil penalties for taking any action in accordance with the provisions of this Act, when the actions are within the scope of his or her employment. Representation and indemnification of State employees shall be provided to State employees as set forth in Section 2 of the State Employee Indemnification Act.
  - (p) No law enforcement or correctional agency, nor any individual employed by a law enforcement or correctional

- 1 agency, shall be subject to criminal or civil liability,
- 2 except for willful and wanton misconduct, as a result of
- 3 taking any action within the scope of the official duties of
- 4 the agency or individual to prohibit or prevent the possession
- 5 or use of cannabis by a cardholder incarcerated at a
- 6 correctional facility, jail, or municipal lockup facility, on
- 7 parole or mandatory supervised release, or otherwise under the
- 8 lawful jurisdiction of the agency or individual.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-19-19; 101-370, eff. 1-1-20;
- 10 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 11 (410 ILCS 130/30)
- 12 Sec. 30. Limitations and penalties.
- 13 (a) This Act does not permit any person to engage in, and
- does not prevent the imposition of any civil, criminal, or
- other penalties for engaging in, the following conduct:
- 16 (1) Undertaking any task under the influence of
- 17 cannabis, when doing so would constitute negligence,
- 18 professional malpractice, or professional misconduct;
- 19 (2) Possessing cannabis:
- 20 (A) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
- 21 School Code, in a school bus;
- 22 (B) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
- 23 School Code, on the grounds of any preschool or
- 24 primary or secondary school;
- 25 (C) in any correctional facility;

Τ	(D) In a venicle under Section II-302.1 of the
2	Illinois Vehicle Code;
3	(E) in a vehicle not open to the public unless the
4	medical cannabis is in a reasonably secured, sealed
5	container and reasonably inaccessible while the
6	vehicle is moving; or
7	(F) in a private residence that is used at any time
8	to provide licensed child care or other similar social
9	service care on the premises;
10	(3) Using cannabis:
11	(A) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
12	School Code, in a school bus;
13	(B) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
14	School Code, on the grounds of any preschool or
15	primary or secondary school;
16	(C) in any correctional facility;
17	(D) in any motor vehicle;
18	(E) in a private residence that is used at any time
19	to provide licensed child care or other similar social
20	service care on the premises;
21	(F) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
22	School Code and Section 31 of this Act, in any public
23	place. "Public place" as used in this subsection means
24	any place where an individual could reasonably be
25	expected to be observed by others. A "public place"

includes all parts of buildings owned in whole or in

part, or leased, by the State or a local unit of government. A "public place" does not include a private residence unless the private residence is used to provide licensed child care, foster care, or other similar social service care on the premises. For purposes of this subsection, a "public place" does not include a health care facility. For purposes of this Section, a "health care facility" includes, but is not limited to, hospitals, nursing homes, hospice care centers, and long-term care facilities;

- (G) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the School Code and Section 31 of this Act, knowingly in close physical proximity to anyone under the age of 18 years of age;
- (4) Smoking medical cannabis in any public place where an individual could reasonably be expected to be observed by others, in a health care facility, or any other place where smoking is prohibited under the Smoke Free Illinois Act;
- (5) Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of any motor vehicle, aircraft, or motorboat while using or under the influence of cannabis in violation of Sections 11-501 and 11-502.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code;
- (6) Using or possessing cannabis if that person does not have a debilitating medical condition and is not a registered qualifying patient or caregiver;

- (7) Allowing any person who is not allowed to use cannabis under this Act to use cannabis that a cardholder is allowed to possess under this Act;
  - (8) Transferring cannabis to any person contrary to the provisions of this Act;
  - (9) The use of medical cannabis by an active duty law enforcement officer, correctional officer, correctional probation officer, or firefighter; or
  - (10) The use of medical cannabis by a person who has a school bus permit or a Commercial Driver's License.
  - (b) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent the arrest or prosecution of a registered qualifying patient for reckless driving or driving under the influence of cannabis where probable cause exists.
  - (c) Notwithstanding any other criminal penalties related to the unlawful possession of cannabis, knowingly making a misrepresentation to a law enforcement official of any fact or circumstance relating to the medical use of cannabis to avoid arrest or prosecution is a petty offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000, which shall be in addition to any other penalties that may apply for making a false statement or for the use of cannabis other than use undertaken under this Act.
  - (d) Notwithstanding any other criminal penalties related to the unlawful possession of cannabis, any person who makes a misrepresentation of a medical condition to a certifying health care professional or fraudulently provides material

- misinformation to a certifying health care professional in order to obtain a written certification is guilty of a petty offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.
  - (e) Any registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, cardholder or designated registered caregiver who sells cannabis shall have his or her registry identification card revoked and is subject to other penalties for the unauthorized sale of cannabis.
  - (f) Any registered qualifying patient or provisional patient who commits a violation of Section 11-502.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or refuses a properly requested test related to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of cannabis shall have his or her registry identification card revoked.
  - (g) No registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver shall knowingly obtain, seek to obtain, or possess, individually or collectively, an amount of usable cannabis from a registered medical cannabis dispensing organization that would cause him or her to exceed the authorized adequate medical supply under subsection (a) of Section 10.
- (h) Nothing in this Act shall prevent a private business from restricting or prohibiting the medical use of cannabis on its property.
- 25 (i) Nothing in this Act shall prevent a university, 26 college, or other institution of post-secondary education from

- 1 restricting or prohibiting the use of medical cannabis on its
- 2 property.

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- 3 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-67, eff. 7-9-21.)
- 4 (410 ILCS 130/35)
- 5 Sec. 35. Certifying health care professional requirements.
- 6 (a) A certifying health care professional who certifies a
  7 debilitating medical condition for a qualifying patient shall
  8 comply with all of the following requirements:
  - (1) The certifying health care professional shall be currently licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 to practice medicine in all its branches, the Nurse Practice Act, or the Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987, shall be in good standing, and must hold a controlled substances license under Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.
  - (2) A certifying health care professional certifying a patient's condition shall comply with generally accepted standards of medical practice, the provisions of the Act under which he or she is licensed and all applicable rules.
  - (3) The physical examination required by this Act may not be performed by remote means, including telemedicine.
  - (4) The certifying health care professional shall maintain a record-keeping system for all patients for whom the certifying health care professional has certified the

patient's medical condition. These records shall be accessible to and subject to review by the Department of Public Health and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation upon request.

- (b) A certifying health care professional may not:
- (1) accept, solicit, or offer any form of remuneration from or to a qualifying patient, provisional patient, designated primary caregiver, cultivation center, or dispensing organization, including each principal officer, board member, agent, and employee, to certify a patient, other than accepting payment from a patient for the fee associated with the required examination, except for the limited purpose of performing a medical cannabis-related research study;
- (1.5) accept, solicit, or offer any form of remuneration from or to a medical cannabis cultivation center or dispensary organization for the purposes of referring a patient to a specific dispensary organization;
- (1.10) engage in any activity that is prohibited under Section 22.2 of the Medical Practice Act of 1987, regardless of whether the certifying health care professional is a physician, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant;
- (2) offer a discount of any other item of value to a qualifying patient or provisional patient who uses or agrees to use a particular designated primary caregiver or

dispensing organization to obtain medical cannabis;

- (3) conduct a personal physical examination of a patient for purposes of diagnosing a debilitating medical condition at a location where medical cannabis is sold or distributed or at the address of a principal officer, agent, or employee or a medical cannabis organization;
- (4) hold a direct or indirect economic interest in a cultivation center or dispensing organization if he or she recommends the use of medical cannabis to qualified patients or is in a partnership or other fee or profit-sharing relationship with a certifying health care professional who recommends medical cannabis, except for the limited purpose of performing a medical cannabis-related research study;
- (5) serve on the board of directors or as an employee of a cultivation center or dispensing organization;
- (6) refer patients to a cultivation center, a dispensing organization, or a registered designated caregiver; or
- (7) advertise in a cultivation center or a dispensing organization.
- (c) The Department of Public Health may with reasonable cause refer a certifying health care professional, who has certified a debilitating medical condition of a patient, to the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation for potential violations of this Section.

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- 1 (d) Any violation of this Section or any other provision 2 of this Act or rules adopted under this Act is a violation of 3 the certifying health care professional's licensure act.
  - (e) A certifying health care professional who certifies a debilitating medical condition for a qualifying patient may notify the Department of Public Health in writing: (1) if the certifying health care professional has reason to believe either that the registered qualifying patient has ceased to suffer from a debilitating medical condition; (2) that the bona fide health care professional-patient relationship has terminated; or (3) that continued use of medical cannabis would result in contraindication with the patient's other medication. The registered qualifying patient's registry identification card shall be revoked by the Department of Public Health after receiving the certifying health care professional's notification.
- (f) Nothing in this Act shall preclude a certifying health care professional from referring a patient for health services, except when the referral is limited to certification purposes only, under this Act.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 22 (410 ILCS 130/57)
- 23 Sec. 57. Designated Caregivers Qualifying patients.
- 24 (a) Qualifying patients <u>or provisional patients</u> that are 25 under the age of 18 years shall not be prohibited from

- 1 appointing up to 3 designated caregivers who meet the
- definition of "designated caregiver" under Section 10 so long
- 3 as at least one designated caregiver is a biological parent or
- 4 legal guardian.
- 5 (b) Qualifying patients and provisional patients that are
- 6 18 years of age or older shall not be prohibited from
- 7 appointing up to 3 designated caregivers who meet the
- 8 definition of "designated caregiver" under Section 10.
- 9 (c) Beginning July 1, 2025, designated caregivers,
- 10 qualifying patients, or provisional patients registered under
- 11 this Act may purchase an adequate medical supply at any
- 12 dispensing organization licensed by the Department of
- 13 Financial and Professional Regulation under the Cannabis
- 14 Regulation and Tax Act.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)
- 16 (410 ILCS 130/60)
- 17 Sec. 60. Issuance of registry identification cards.
- 18 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the Department
- 19 of Public Health shall:
- 20 (1) verify the information contained in an application
- or renewal for a registry identification card submitted
- 22 under this Act, and approve or deny an application or
- 23 renewal, within 90 days of receiving a completed
- 24 application or renewal application and all supporting
- documentation specified in Section 55;

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## (3) enter the registry identification number of the registered dispensing organization the patient designates into the verification system; and

(3) (4) allow for an electronic application process, and provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that an application has been submitted.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Department of Public Health shall adopt rules for qualifying patients and applicants with life-long debilitating medical conditions, who may be charged annual renewal fees. The Department of Public Health shall not require patients and applicants with life-long debilitating medical conditions to apply to renew registry identification cards.

(b) The Department of Public Health may not issue a registry identification card to a qualifying patient who is under 18 years of age, unless that patient suffers from seizures, including those characteristic of epilepsy, or as provided by administrative rule. The Department of Public Health shall adopt rules for the issuance of a registry identification card for qualifying patients who are under 18 years of age and suffering from seizures, including those characteristic of epilepsy. The Department of Public Health

- may adopt rules to allow other individuals under 18 years of age to become registered qualifying patients under this Act with the consent of a parent or legal guardian. Registered qualifying patients under 18 years of age shall be prohibited from consuming forms of cannabis other than medical cannabis infused products and purchasing any usable cannabis.
  - (c) A veteran who has received treatment at a VA hospital is deemed to have a bona fide health care professional-patient relationship with a VA certifying health care professional if the patient has been seen for his or her debilitating medical condition at the VA hospital in accordance with VA hospital protocols. All reasonable inferences regarding the existence of a bona fide health care professional-patient relationship shall be drawn in favor of an applicant who is a veteran and has undergone treatment at a VA hospital.
  - who is terminally ill shall have all fees waived. The Department of Public Health shall within 30 days after this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly adopt emergency rules to expedite approval for terminally ill individuals. These rules shall include, but not be limited to, rules that provide that applications by individuals with terminal illnesses shall be approved or denied within 14 days of their submission.
  - (d) No later than 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly, the Secretary of

- State shall remove all existing notations on driving records that the person is a registered qualifying patient or his or
- 3 her caregiver under this Act.
- (e) Upon the approval of the registration and issuance of a registry card under this Section, the Department of Public 5 Health shall electronically forward the registered qualifying 6 7 patient's identification card information to the Prescription 8 Monitoring Program established under the Illinois Controlled 9 Substances Act and certify that the individual is permitted to 10 engage in the medical use of cannabis. For the purposes of 11 patient care, the Prescription Monitoring Program shall make a 12 notation on the person's prescription record stating that the person is a registered qualifying patient who is entitled to 13 the lawful medical use of cannabis. If the person no longer 14 15 holds a valid registry card, the Department of Public Health 16 notify the Prescription Monitoring Program 17 Department of Human Services to remove the notation from the person's record. The Department of Human Services and the 18 19 Prescription Monitoring Program shall establish a system by 20 which the information may be shared electronically. This confidential list may not be combined or linked in any manner 21 22 with any other list or database except as provided in this 23 Section.
- 24 (f) (Blank).
- 25 (Source: P.A. 100-1114, eff. 8-28-18; 101-363, eff. 8-9-19;
- 26 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)

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- 2 Sec. 70. Registry identification cards.
- 3 (a) A registered qualifying patient or designated 4 caregiver must keep their registry identification card in his 5 or her possession at all times when engaging in the medical use 6 of cannabis.
- 7 (b) Registry identification cards shall contain the 8 following:
  - (1) the name of the cardholder;
  - (2) a designation of whether the cardholder is a designated caregiver or qualifying patient;
  - (3) the date of issuance and expiration date of the registry identification card;
  - (4) a random alphanumeric identification number that is unique to the cardholder;
    - (5) if the cardholder is a designated caregiver, the random alphanumeric identification number of the registered qualifying patient the designated caregiver is receiving the registry identification card to assist; and
  - (6) a photograph of the cardholder, if required by Department of Public Health rules.
  - (c) To maintain a valid registration identification card, a registered qualifying patient and <u>designated</u> caregiver must annually resubmit, at least 45 days prior to the expiration date stated on the registry identification card, a completed

- application, fee, 1 renewal renewal and accompanying 2 documentation as described in Department of Public Health Department of Public Health 3 rules. The shall notification to a registered qualifying patient or registered 5 designated caregiver 90 days prior to the expiration of the 6 registered qualifying patient's or registered designated 7 caregiver's identification card. If the Department of Public 8 Health fails to grant or deny a renewal application received 9 in accordance with this Section, then the renewal is deemed 10 granted and the registered qualifying patient or registered 11 designated caregiver may continue to use the expired 12 identification card until the Department of Public Health 13 denies the renewal or issues a new identification card.
- 14 (d) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the 15 expiration date is 3 years after the date of issuance.
  - (e) The Department of Public Health may electronically store in the card any or all of the information listed in subsection (b), along with the address and date of birth of the cardholder and the qualifying patient's designated dispensary organization, to allow it to be read by law enforcement agents.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 99-519, eff. 6-30-16.)
- 23 (410 ILCS 130/75)

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Sec. 75. Notifications to Department of Public Health and responses; civil penalty.

- (a) The following notifications and Department of Public Health responses are required:
  - (1) A registered qualifying patient shall notify the Department of Public Health of any change in his or her name or address, or if the registered qualifying patient ceases to have his or her debilitating medical condition, within 10 days of the change.
  - (2) A registered designated caregiver shall notify the Department of Public Health of any change in his or her name or address, or if the designated caregiver becomes aware the registered qualifying patient passed away, within 10 days of the change.
  - (3) Before a registered qualifying patient changes his or her designated caregiver, the qualifying patient must notify the Department of Public Health.
  - (4) If a cardholder loses his or her registry identification card, he or she shall notify the Department within 10 days of becoming aware the card has been lost.
  - (b) When a cardholder notifies the Department of Public Health of items listed in subsection (a), but remains eligible under this Act, the Department of Public Health shall issue the cardholder a new registry identification card with a new random alphanumeric identification number within 15 business days of receiving the updated information and a fee as specified in Department of Public Health rules. If the person notifying the Department of Public Health is a registered

- qualifying patient, the Department shall also issue his or her registered designated caregiver, if any, a new registry identification card within 15 business days of receiving the updated information.
  - (c) If a registered qualifying patient ceases to be a registered qualifying patient or changes his or her registered designated caregiver, the Department of Public Health shall promptly notify the designated caregiver. The registered designated caregiver's protections under this Act as to that qualifying patient shall expire 15 days after notification by the Department.
  - (d) A cardholder who fails to make a notification to the Department of Public Health that is required by this Section is subject to a civil infraction, punishable by a penalty of no more than \$150.
  - (e) (Blank). A registered qualifying patient shall notify the Department of Public Health of any change to his or her designated registered dispensing organization. The Department of Public Health shall provide for immediate changes of a registered qualifying patient's designated registered dispensing organizations must comply with all requirements of this Act.
  - (f) If the registered qualifying patient's certifying health care professional notifies the Department in writing that either the registered qualifying patient has ceased to suffer from a debilitating medical condition, that the bona

- 1 fide health care professional-patient relationship has
- 2 terminated, or that continued use of medical cannabis would
- 3 result in contraindication with the patient's other
- 4 medication, the card shall become null and void. However, the
- 5 registered qualifying patient shall have 15 days to destroy
- 6 his or her remaining medical cannabis and related
- 7 paraphernalia.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 9 (410 ILCS 130/85)
- 10 Sec. 85. Issuance and denial of medical cannabis
- 11 cultivation permit.
- 12 (a) The Department of Agriculture may register up to 22
- 13 cultivation center registrations for operation. The Department
- 14 of Agriculture may not issue more than one registration per
- each Illinois State Police District boundary as specified on
- the date of January 1, 2013. The Department of Agriculture may
- 17 not issue less than the 22 registrations if there are
- qualified applicants who have applied with the Department.
- 19 (b) The registrations shall be issued and renewed annually
- 20 as determined by administrative rule.
- 21 (c) The Department of Agriculture shall determine a
- 22 registration fee by rule.
- 23 (d) A cultivation center may only operate if it has been
- 24 issued a valid registration from the Department of
- 25 Agriculture. When applying for a cultivation center

- registration, the applicant shall submit the following in accordance with Department of Agriculture rules:
  - (1) the proposed legal name of the cultivation center;
  - (2) the proposed physical address of the cultivation center and description of the enclosed, locked facility as it applies to cultivation centers where medical cannabis will be grown, harvested, manufactured, packaged, or otherwise prepared for distribution to a dispensing organization;
  - (3) the name, address, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the cultivation center, provided that all those individuals shall be at least 21 years of age;
  - (4) any instance in which a business that any of the prospective board members of the cultivation center had managed or served on the board of the business and was convicted, fined, censured, or had a registration or license suspended or revoked in any administrative or judicial proceeding;
    - (5) cultivation, inventory, and packaging plans;
  - (6) proposed operating by-laws that include procedures for the oversight of the cultivation center, development and implementation of a plant monitoring system, medical cannabis container tracking system, accurate record keeping, staffing plan, and security plan reviewed by the Illinois State Police that are in accordance with the

- rules issued by the Department of Agriculture under this

  Act. A physical inventory shall be performed of all plants

  and medical cannabis containers on a weekly basis;
  - (7) experience with agricultural cultivation techniques and industry standards;
  - (8) any academic degrees, certifications, or relevant experience with related businesses;
  - (9) the identity of every person, association, trust, or corporation having any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the cultivation center operation with respect to which the registration is sought. If the disclosed entity is a trust, the application shall disclose the names and addresses of the beneficiaries; if a corporation, the names and addresses of all stockholders and directors; if a partnership, the names and addresses of all partners, both general and limited;
  - (10) verification from the Illinois State Police that all background checks of the principal officer, board members, and registered agents have been conducted and those individuals have not been convicted of an excluded offense;
  - (11) provide a copy of the current local zoning ordinance to the Department of Agriculture and verify that proposed cultivation center is in compliance with the local zoning rules issued in accordance with Section 140;
    - (12) an application fee set by the Department of

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- (13) any other information required by Department of Agriculture rules, including, but not limited to a cultivation center applicant's experience with the cultivation of agricultural or horticultural products, operating an agriculturally related business, or operating a horticultural business.
- (e) An application for a cultivation center permit must be denied if any of the following conditions are met:
  - (1) the applicant failed to submit the materials required by this Section, including if the applicant's plans do not satisfy the security, oversight, inventory, or recordkeeping rules issued by the Department of Agriculture;
  - (2) the applicant would not be in compliance with local zoning rules issued in accordance with Section 140;
  - (3) (blank); one or more of the prospective principal officers or board members has been convicted of an excluded offense;
  - (4) one or more of the prospective principal officers or board members has served as a principal officer or board member for a registered dispensing organization or cultivation center that has had its registration revoked; or
  - (5) one or more of the principal officers or board members is under 21 years of age;

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1	(6) (blank); a principal officer or board member of
2	the cultivation center has been convicted of a felony
3	under the laws of this State, any other state, or the
4	United States;
5	(7) (blank); or a principal officer or board member of
6	the cultivation center has been convicted of any violation
7	of Article 28 of the Criminal Code of 2012, or
8	substantially similar laws of any other jurisdiction; or
9	(8) the person has submitted an application for a
10	certificate under this Act which contains false
11	information.
12	(f) Beginning July 1, 2025, the Department shall cease to
13	issue or renew any medical cannabis cultivation permit.
14	Licenses that hold dual medical cannabis cultivation permits
15	and Adult use cultivation center licenses may continue all
16	operations with a valid cultivation center license issued
17	under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
18	(g) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
19	(Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
20	(410 ILCS 130/90)
21	Sec. 90. Renewal of cultivation center registrations.
22	(a) Registrations shall be renewed annually. The

registered cultivation center shall receive written notice 90

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- shall grant a renewal application within 45 days of its submission if the following conditions are satisfied:
- 3 (1) the registered cultivation center submits a 4 renewal application and the required renewal fee 5 established by the Department of Agriculture by rule; and
  - (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended the registration of the cultivation center or suspended or revoked the registration for violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act.
- 10 (b) Beginning July 1, 2025, all cultivation center permits

  11 issued under Section 85 shall be renewed in accordance with

  12 Section 20-45 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act and shall

  13 be subject to the requirements and prohibitions of the

  14 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
- (c) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.

  (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14.)
- 17 (410 ILCS 130/95)
- 18 Sec. 95. Background checks.
- 19 (a) The Department of Agriculture through the Illinois
  20 State Police shall conduct a background check of the
  21 prospective cultivation center agents. The Illinois State
  22 Police shall charge a fee for conducting the criminal history
  23 record check, which shall be deposited in the State Police
  24 Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the
  25 record check. In order to carry out this provision, each

- person applying as a cultivation center agent shall submit a 1 2 full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records 3 These fingerprints shall be checked against the 5 fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed by law, filed in the Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau 6 7 of Investigation criminal history records databases. 8 Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive 9 identification, all Illinois conviction information to the 10 Department of Agriculture.
- 11 (b) When applying for the initial permit, the background 12 checks for the principal officer, board members, and 13 registered agents shall be completed prior to submitting the 14 application to the Department of Agriculture.
- (c) This Section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 17 (410 ILCS 130/100)

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- 18 Sec. 100. Cultivation center agent identification card.
- 19 (a) The Department of Agriculture shall:
  - (1) verify the information contained in an application or renewal for a cultivation center identification card submitted under this Act, and approve or deny an application or renewal, within 30 days of receiving a completed application or renewal application and all supporting documentation required by rule;

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- (3) enter the registry identification number of the cultivation center where the agent works; and
- (4) allow for an electronic application process, and provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that an application has been submitted.
- (b) A cultivation center agent must keep his or her identification card visible at all times when on the property of a cultivation center and during the transportation of medical cannabis to a registered dispensary organization.
- 13 (c) The cultivation center agent identification cards
  14 shall contain the following:
  - (1) the name of the cardholder;
  - (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of cultivation center agent identification cards;
  - (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 letters that is unique to the holder; and
- 21 (4) a photograph of the cardholder.
  - (d) The cultivation center agent identification cards shall be immediately returned to the cultivation center upon termination of employment.
- 25 (e) Any card lost by a cultivation center agent shall be 26 reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department of

- 1 Agriculture immediately upon discovery of the loss.
- 2 (f) (Blank). An applicant shall be denied a cultivation
- 3 center agent identification card if he or she has been
- 4 convicted of an excluded offense.
- 5 (g) An agent applicant may begin employment at a
- 6 cultivation center while the agent applicant's identification
- 7 card application is pending. Upon approval, the Department
- 8 shall issue the agent's identification card to the agent. If
- 9 denied, the cultivation center and the agent applicant shall
- 10 be notified and the agent applicant must cease all activity at
- 11 the cultivation center immediately.
- 12 (h) Beginning July 1, 2025, all cultivation center
- 13 <u>identification cards and renewals shall be renewed in</u>
- accordance with Section 20-45 of the CRTA.
- 15 (i) This Section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21;
- 17 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)
- 18 (410 ILCS 130/105)
- 19 Sec. 105. Requirements; prohibitions; penalties for
- 20 cultivation centers.
- 21 (a) The operating documents of a registered cultivation
- 22 center shall include procedures for the oversight of the
- 23 cultivation center, a cannabis plant monitoring system
- 24 including a physical inventory recorded weekly, a cannabis
- 25 container system including a physical inventory recorded

- 1 weekly, accurate record keeping, and a staffing plan.
  - (b) A registered cultivation center shall implement a security plan reviewed by the Illinois State Police and including but not limited to: facility access controls, perimeter intrusion detection systems, personnel identification systems, 24-hour surveillance system to monitor the interior and exterior of the registered cultivation center facility and accessible to authorized law enforcement and the Department of Agriculture in real-time.
    - (c) A registered cultivation center may not be located within 2,500 feet of the property line of a pre-existing public or private preschool or elementary or secondary school or day care center, day care home, group day care home, part day child care facility, or an area zoned for residential use.
  - (d) All cultivation of cannabis for distribution to a registered dispensing organization must take place in an enclosed, locked facility as it applies to cultivation centers at the physical address provided to the Department of Agriculture during the registration process. The cultivation center location shall only be accessed by the cultivation center agents working for the registered cultivation center, Department of Agriculture staff performing inspections, Department of Public Health staff performing inspections, law enforcement or other emergency personnel, and contractors working on jobs unrelated to medical cannabis, such as installing or maintaining security devices or performing

- 1 electrical wiring.
- 2 (e) A cultivation center may not sell or distribute any
- 3 cannabis to any individual or entity other than another
- 4 cultivation center, a dispensing organization registered under
- 5 this Act, or a laboratory licensed by the Department of
- 6 Agriculture.
- 7 (f) All harvested cannabis intended for distribution to a
- 8 dispensing organization must be packaged in a labeled medical
- 9 cannabis container and entered into a data collection system.
- 10 (g) (Blank). No person who has been convicted of an
- 11 excluded offense may be a cultivation center agent.
- 12 (h) Registered cultivation centers are subject to random
- inspection by the Illinois State Police.
- 14 (i) Registered cultivation centers are subject to random
- 15 inspections by the Department of Agriculture and the
- 16 Department of Public Health.
- 17 (j) A cultivation center agent shall notify local law
- 18 enforcement, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of
- 19 Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or
- theft. Notification shall be made by phone or in-person, or by
- 21 written or electronic communication.
- (k) A cultivation center shall comply with all State and
- 23 federal rules and regulations regarding the use of pesticides.
- 24 (1) This Section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)

1 (410 ILCS 130/110)

2 Sec. 110. Suspension; revocation; other penalties for 3 cultivation centers and agents. Notwithstanding any other criminal penalties related to the unlawful possession of 5 cannabis, the Department of Agriculture may revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand, issue cease and desist orders, 6 7 refuse to issue or renew a registration, or take any other 8 disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the Department of 9 Agriculture may deem proper with regard to a registered 10 cultivation center or cultivation center agent, including 11 imposing fines not to exceed \$50,000 for each violation, for 12 any violations of this Act and rules adopted under this Act. 13 The procedures for disciplining a registered cultivation center or cultivation center agent and for administrative 14 15 hearings shall be determined by rule. All final administrative 16 decisions of the Department of Agriculture are subject to 17 judicial review under the Administrative Review Law and its rules. The term "administrative decision" is defined as in 18 Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure. This Section 19 shall be repealed on January 1, 2026. 20

- 21 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15.)
- 22 (410 ILCS 130/115)
- Sec. 115. Registration of dispensing organizations.
- 24 (a) The Department of Financial and Professional 25 Regulation may issue up to 60 dispensing organization

registrations for operation. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may not issue less than the 60 registrations if there are qualified applicants who have applied with the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The organizations shall be geographically dispersed throughout the State to allow all registered qualifying patients reasonable proximity and access to a dispensing organization.

(a-5) The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall adopt rules to create a registration process for Social Equity Justice Involved Applicants and Qualifying Applicants, a streamlined application, and a Social Equity Justice Involved Medical Lottery under Section 115.5 to issue the remaining available 5 dispensing organization registrations for operation. For purposes of this Section:

"Disproportionately Impacted Area" means a census tract or comparable geographic area that satisfies the following criteria as determined by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, that:

- (1) meets at least one of the following criteria:
- (A) the area has a poverty rate of at least 20% according to the latest federal decennial census; or
- (B) 75% or more of the children in the area participate in the federal free lunch program according to reported statistics from the State Board of Education; or

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- (D) the area has an average unemployment rate, as determined by the Illinois Department of Employment Security, that is more than 120% of the national unemployment average, as determined by the United States Department of Labor, for a period of at least 2 consecutive calendar years preceding the date of the application; and
- (2) has high rates of arrest, conviction, and incarceration related to sale, possession, use, cultivation, manufacture, or transport of cannabis.

"Qualifying Applicant" means an applicant that: (i) submitted an application pursuant to Section 15-30 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act that received at least 85% of 250 application points available under Section 15-30 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act as the applicant's final score; (ii) received points at the conclusion of the scoring process for meeting the definition of a "Social Equity Applicant" as set forth under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act; and (iii) is an applicant that did not receive a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License through a Qualifying Applicant Lottery pursuant to Section 15-35 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act or any Tied Applicant Lottery conducted under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

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- (1) an applicant with at least 51% ownership and control by one or more individuals who have resided for at least 5 of the preceding 10 years in a Disproportionately Impacted Area;
- (2) an applicant with at least 51% of ownership and control by one or more individuals who have been arrested for, convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for any offense that is eligible for expungement under subsection (i) of Section 5.2 of the Criminal Identification Act; or
- (3) an applicant with at least 51% ownership and control by one or more members of an impacted family.
- (b) A dispensing organization may only operate if it has been issued a registration from the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall adopt rules establishing the procedures for applicants for dispensing organizations.
- (c) When applying for a dispensing organization registration, the applicant shall submit, at a minimum, the following in accordance with Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules:
- 24 (1) a non-refundable application fee established by 25 rule;
- 26 (2) the proposed legal name of the dispensing

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- 2 (3) the proposed physical address of the dispensing organization;
  - (4) the name, address, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the dispensing organization, provided that all those individuals shall be at least 21 years of age;
    - (5) (blank);
      - (6) (blank); and
- 10 (7) (blank).
  - (d) The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall conduct a background check of the prospective dispensing organization agents in order to carry out this Section. The Department of State Police shall charge a fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which shall be deposited in the State Police Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check. Each person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Department of State Police for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed by law, filed in the Department of State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases. The Department of State Police shall furnish, following positive identification, all Illinois conviction information

- 1 to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.
- 2 (e) A dispensing organization must pay a registration fee
- 3 set by the Department of Financial and Professional
- 4 Regulation.
- 5 (f) An application for a medical cannabis dispensing
- 6 organization registration must be denied if any of the
- 7 following conditions are met:
- 8 (1) the applicant failed to submit the materials
- 9 required by this Section, including if the applicant's
- 10 plans do not satisfy the security, oversight, or
- 11 recordkeeping rules issued by the Department of Financial
- 12 and Professional Regulation;
- 13 (2) the applicant would not be in compliance with
- 14 local zoning rules issued in accordance with Section 140;
- 15 (3) the applicant does not meet the requirements of
- 16 Section 130;
- 17 (4) one or more of the prospective principal officers
- or board members has been convicted of an excluded
- 19 offense;
- 20 (5) one or more of the prospective principal officers
- or board members has served as a principal officer or
- 22 board member for a registered medical cannabis dispensing
- organization that has had its registration revoked; and
- 24 (6) one or more of the principal officers or board
- 25 members is under 21 years of age.
- 26 (q) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.)
- 2 (410 ILCS 130/120)
- 3 Sec. 120. Dispensing organization agent identification
- 4 card.
- 5 (a) The Department of Financial and Professional
- 6 Regulation shall:
- 7 (1) verify the information contained in an application
- 8 or renewal for a dispensing organization agent
- 9 identification card submitted under this Act, and approve
- or deny an application or renewal, within 30 days of
- 11 receiving a completed application or renewal application
- and all supporting documentation required by rule;
- 13 (2) issue a dispensing organization agent
- identification card to a qualifying agent within 15
- business days of approving the application or renewal;
- 16 (3) enter the registry identification number of the
- dispensing organization where the agent works; and
- 18 (4) allow for an electronic application process, and
- 19 provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that
- an application has been submitted.
- 21 (b) A dispensing agent must keep his or her identification
- 22 card visible at all times when on the property of a dispensing
- 23 organization.
- 24 (c) The dispensing organization agent identification cards
- 25 shall contain the following:

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- 1 (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 2 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the dispensing organization agent identification cards;
  - (3) a random 10 digit alphanumeric identification number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 letters; that is unique to the holder; and
    - (4) a photograph of the cardholder.
    - (d) The dispensing organization agent identification cards shall be immediately returned to the dispensing organization upon termination of employment.
- 11 (e) Any card lost by a dispensing organization agent shall 12 be reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department of 13 Financial and Professional Regulation immediately upon 14 discovery of the loss.
  - (f) Agent renewal on and after July 1, 2025 shall be in accordance with Section 15-40 of the Cannabis Regulation Tax

    Act. An applicant shall be denied a dispensing organization agent identification card if he or she has been convicted of an excluded offense.
- 20 (g) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026. 21 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15.)
- 22 (410 ILCS 130/125)
- Sec. 125. Medical cannabis dispensing organization certification renewal.
- 25 (a) The registered dispensing organization shall receive

- written notice 90 days prior to the expiration of its current registration that the registration will expire. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall grant a renewal application within 45 days of its submission if the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (1) the registered dispensing organization submits a renewal application and the required renewal fee established by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules; and
  - (2) the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has not suspended the registered dispensing organization or suspended or revoked the registration for violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act.
  - (b) If a dispensing organization fails to renew its registration prior to expiration, the dispensing organization shall cease operations until registration is renewed.
  - (c) If a dispensing organization agent fails to renew his or her registration prior to its expiration, he or she shall cease to work or volunteer at a dispensing organization until his or her registration is renewed.
  - (d) Any dispensing organization that continues to operate or dispensing agent that continues to work or volunteer at a dispensing organization that fails to renew its registration shall be subject to penalty as provided in Section 130.
  - (e) A dispensing organization licensed under this Act shall renew its license in accordance with Section 15-45 of

- 1 the Cannabis Regulation Tax Act on and after July 1, 2025.
- 2 (f) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14.)
- 4 (410 ILCS 130/130)
- 5 Sec. 130. Requirements; prohibitions; penalties;
- 6 dispensing organizations.
- 7 (a) The Department of Financial and Professional
- 8 Regulation shall implement the provisions of this Section by
- 9 rule.
- 10 (b) A dispensing organization shall maintain operating
- documents which shall include procedures for the oversight of
- 12 the registered dispensing organization and procedures to
- ensure accurate recordkeeping.
- 14 (c) A dispensing organization shall implement appropriate
- 15 security measures, as provided by rule, to deter and prevent
- 16 the theft of cannabis and unauthorized entrance into areas
- 17 containing cannabis.
- 18 (d) A dispensing organization may not be located within
- 1,000 feet of the property line of a pre-existing public or
- 20 private preschool or elementary or secondary school or day
- 21 care center, day care home, group day care home, or part day
- 22 child care facility. A registered dispensing organization may
- 23 not be located in a house, apartment, condominium, or an area
- zoned for residential use. This subsection shall not apply to
- any dispensing organizations registered on or after July 1,

- 1 2019.
- 2 (e) A dispensing organization is prohibited from acquiring
- 3 cannabis from anyone other than a cultivation center, craft
- 4 grower, processing organization, another dispensing
- 5 organization, or transporting organization licensed or
- 6 registered under this Act or the Cannabis Regulation and Tax
- 7 Act. A dispensing organization is prohibited from obtaining
- 8 cannabis from outside the State of Illinois.
- 9 (f) A registered dispensing organization is prohibited
- 10 from dispensing cannabis for any purpose except to assist
- 11 registered qualifying patients with the medical use of
- 12 cannabis directly or through the qualifying patients'
- designated caregivers.
- 14 (g) The area in a dispensing organization where medical
- 15 cannabis is stored can only be accessed by dispensing
- organization agents working for the dispensing organization,
- 17 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation staff
- 18 performing inspections, law enforcement or other emergency
- 19 personnel, and contractors working on jobs unrelated to
- 20 medical cannabis, such as installing or maintaining security
- 21 devices or performing electrical wiring.
- 22 (h) A dispensing organization may not dispense more than
- 23 2.5 ounces of cannabis to a registered qualifying patient,
- 24 directly or via a designated caregiver, in any 14-day period
- 25 unless the qualifying patient has a Department of Public
- 26 Health-approved quantity waiver. Any Department of Public

- Health-approved quantity waiver process must be made available to qualified veterans.
  - (i) Except as provided in subsection (i-5), before medical cannabis may be dispensed to a designated caregiver or a registered qualifying patient, a dispensing organization agent must determine that the individual is a current cardholder in the verification system and must verify each of the following:
    - (1) that the registry identification card presented to the registered dispensing organization is valid;
    - (2) that the person presenting the card is the person identified on the registry identification card presented to the dispensing organization agent;
      - (3) (blank); and
    - (4) that the registered qualifying patient has not exceeded his or her adequate supply.
  - (i-5) A dispensing organization may dispense medical cannabis to an Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participant under Section 62 and to a person presenting proof of provisional registration under Section 55. Before dispensing medical cannabis, the dispensing organization shall comply with the requirements of Section 62 or Section 55, whichever is applicable, and verify the following:
    - (1) that the written certification presented to the registered dispensing organization is valid and an original document;
- 26 (2) that the person presenting the written

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- certification is the person identified on the written certification; and
- 3 (3) that the participant has not exceeded his or her adequate supply.
  - (j) Dispensing organizations shall ensure compliance with this limitation by maintaining internal, confidential records that include records specifying how much medical cannabis is dispensed to the registered qualifying patient and whether it was dispensed directly to the registered qualifying patient or to the designated caregiver. Each entry must include the date and time the cannabis was dispensed. Additional recordkeeping requirements may be set by rule.
  - (k) The health care professional-patient privilege as set forth by Section 8-802 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall apply between a qualifying patient and a registered dispensing organization and its agents with respect to communications and records concerning qualifying patients' debilitating conditions.
- 19 (1) A dispensing organization may not permit any person to 20 consume cannabis on the property of a medical cannabis 21 organization.
  - (m) A dispensing organization may not share office space with or refer patients to a certifying health care professional.
- 25 (n) Notwithstanding any other criminal penalties related 26 to the unlawful possession of cannabis, the Department of

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- Financial and Professional Regulation may revoke, suspend, 1 place on probation, reprimand, refuse to issue or renew, or 2 take any other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the 3 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may deem 4 5 proper with regard to the registration of any person issued 6 under this Act to operate a dispensing organization or act as a 7 dispensing organization agent, including imposing fines not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation, for any violations of this 8 9 Act and rules adopted in accordance with this Act. disciplining 10 procedures for а registered dispensing 11 organization shall be determined by rule. All final 12 administrative decisions of the Department of Financial and 13 Professional Regulation are subject to judicial review under the Administrative Review Law and its rules. 14 "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 3-101 of 15 16 the Code of Civil Procedure.
  - (o) Dispensing organizations are subject to random inspection and cannabis testing by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Illinois State Police, the Department of Revenue, the Department of Public Health, the Department of Agriculture, or as provided by rule.
- 22 (p) The Department of Financial and Professional 23 Regulation shall adopt rules permitting returns, and potential 24 refunds, for damaged or inadequate products.
- 25 (q) The Department of Financial and Professional 26 Regulation may issue nondisciplinary citations for minor

violations which may be accompanied by a civil penalty not to 1 2 exceed \$10,000 per violation. The penalty shall be a civil penalty or other condition as established by rule. 3 citation shall be issued to the licensee and shall contain the 5 licensee's name, address, and license number, a brief factual statement, the Sections of the law or rule allegedly violated, 6 7 and the civil penalty, if any, imposed. The citation must 8 clearly state that the licensee may choose, in lieu of 9 accepting the citation, to request a hearing. If the licensee 10 does not dispute the matter in the citation with the 11 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation within 30 12 days after the citation is served, then the citation shall become final and shall not be subject to appeal. 13

14 <u>(r) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.</u>

15 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.)

(410 ILCS 130/140)

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Sec. 140. Local ordinances. A unit of local government may enact reasonable zoning ordinances or resolutions, not in conflict with this Act or with Department of Agriculture or Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules, regulating registered medical cannabis cultivation center or medical cannabis dispensing organizations. No unit of local government, including a home rule unit, or school district may regulate registered medical cannabis organizations other than as provided in this Act and may not unreasonably prohibit the

- 1 cultivation, dispensing, and use of medical cannabis
- 2 authorized by this Act. This Section is a denial and
- 3 limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of
- 4 the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent exercise by home
- 5 rule units of powers and functions exercised by the State.
- 6 This Section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15.)
- 8 (410 ILCS 130/150)
- 9 Sec. 150. Registry identification and registration
- 10 certificate verification.
- 11 (a) The Department of Public Health shall maintain a
- 12 confidential list of the persons to whom the Department of
- 13 Public Health has issued registry identification cards and
- 14 their addresses, phone numbers, and registry identification
- 15 numbers. This confidential list may not be combined or linked
- in any manner with any other list or database except as
- 17 provided in this Section.
- 18 (b) Within 180 days of the effective date of this Act, the
- 19 Department of Public Health, Department of Financial and
- 20 Professional Regulation, and Department of Agriculture shall
- 21 together establish a computerized database or verification
- 22 system. The database or verification system must allow law
- 23 enforcement personnel and medical cannabis dispensary
- 24 organization agents to determine whether or not the
- 25 identification number corresponds with a current, valid

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registry identification card. The system shall only disclose whether the identification card is valid, whether the cardholder is a registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or a registered designated caregiver, the registry identification number of the registered medical cannabis dispensing organization designated to serve the registered qualifying patient who holds the card, and the registry identification number of the patient who is assisted by a registered designated caregiver who holds the card. The Department of Public Health, the Department of Agriculture, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall not share or disclose any existing or non-existing Illinois or national criminal history record information. Notwithstanding any other requirements established by this subsection, the Department of Public Health shall issue registry cards to qualifying patients, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may issue cannabis medical registration cards to dispensing organizations for the period during which the database is being established, and the Department of Agriculture may issue registration to medical cannabis cultivation organizations for the period during which the database is being established.

(c) For the purposes of this Section, "any existing or non-existing Illinois or national criminal history record information" means any Illinois or national criminal history record information, including but not limited to the lack of

- or non-existence of these records.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 130/180)
- 4 Sec. 180. Destruction of medical cannabis.
- 5 (a) All cannabis byproduct, scrap, and harvested cannabis
- 6 not intended for distribution to a medical cannabis
- 7 organization must be destroyed and disposed of pursuant to
- 8 State law. Documentation of destruction and disposal shall be
- 9 retained at the cultivation center for a period of not less
- 10 than 5 years.
- 11 (b) A cultivation center shall prior to the destruction,
- 12 notify the Department of Agriculture and the Illinois State
- 13 Police.
- 14 (c) The cultivation center shall keep record of the date
- of destruction and how much was destroyed.
- 16 (d) A dispensary organization shall destroy all cannabis,
- including cannabis-infused products, that are not sold to
- 18 registered qualifying patients. Documentation of destruction
- 19 and disposal shall be retained at the dispensary organization
- for a period of not less than 5 years.
- 21 (e) A dispensary organization shall prior to the
- 22 destruction, notify the Department of Financial and
- 23 Professional Regulation and the Illinois State Police.
- 24 (f) This Section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)

- 1 (410 ILCS 130/200)
- 2 Sec. 200. Tax imposed.
- 3 (a) Beginning on January 1, 2014 and through June 30, 2025 4 the effective date of this Act, a tax is imposed upon the privilege of cultivating medical cannabis at a rate of 7% of 5 the sales price per ounce. Beginning July 1, 2025, the 6 7 privilege of cultivating cannabis shall be subject to the tax 8 imposed under Section 60-10 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax 9 Act. Through June 30, 2025, The proceeds from this tax shall be deposited into the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund 10 11 created under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 12 Program Act. This tax shall be paid by a cultivation center and is not the responsibility of a dispensing organization or a 13
- 15 (b) The tax imposed under this Act shall be in addition to
  16 all other occupation or privilege taxes imposed by the State
  17 of Illinois or by any municipal corporation or political
  18 subdivision thereof.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)
- 20 (410 ILCS 130/205)

qualifying patient.

- 21 Sec. 205. Department enforcement.
- 22 (a) Every person subject to the tax under this Law shall 23 apply to the Department (upon a form prescribed and furnished 24 by the Department) for a certificate of registration under

this Law. Application for a certificate of registration shall be made to the Department upon forms furnished by the Department. The certificate of registration which is issued by the Department to a retailer under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act shall permit the taxpayer to engage in a business which is taxable under this Law without registering separately with the Department. Beginning July 1, 2025, a person licensed as a cultivation center or dispensing organization under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act shall be deemed to be sufficiently licensed under this Law by virtue of his or her being properly licensed under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

(b) The Department shall have full power to administer and enforce this Law, to collect all taxes and penalties due hereunder, to dispose of taxes and penalties so collected in the manner hereinafter provided, and to determine all rights to credit memoranda, arising on account of the erroneous payment of tax or penalty hereunder. In the administration of, and compliance with, this Law, the Department and persons who are subject to this Law shall have the same rights, remedies, privileges, immunities, powers and duties, and be subject to the same conditions, restrictions, limitations, penalties and definitions of terms, and employ the same modes of procedure, as are prescribed in Sections 1, 1a, 2 through 2-65 (in respect to all provisions therein other than the State rate of tax), 2a, 2b, 2c, 3 (except provisions relating to transaction

- 1 returns and quarter monthly payments, and except for
- 2 provisions that are inconsistent with this Law), 4, 5, 5a, 5b,
- 3 5c, 5d, 5e, 5f, 5g, 5i, 5j, 6, 6a, 6b, 6c, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11,
- 4 11a, 12 and 13 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act and Section
- 5 3-7 of the Uniform Penalty and Interest Act as fully as if
- 6 those provisions were set forth herein.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14.)
- 8 (410 ILCS 130/210)
- 9 Sec. 210. Returns.
- 10 (a) This subsection (a) applies to returns due on or
- 11 before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st
- 12 General Assembly. On or before the twentieth day of each
- 13 calendar month, every person subject to the tax imposed under
- 14 this Law during the preceding calendar month shall file a
- return with the Department, stating:
- 16 (1) The name of the taxpayer;
- 17 (2) The number of ounces of medical cannabis sold to a
- dispensing organization or a registered qualifying patient
- during the preceding calendar month;
- 20 (3) The amount of tax due;
- 21 (4) The signature of the taxpayer; and
- 22 (5) Such other reasonable information as the
- Department may require.
- If a taxpayer fails to sign a return within 30 days after
- 25 the proper notice and demand for signature by the Department,

- 1 the return shall be considered valid and any amount shown to be
- due on the return shall be deemed assessed.
- 3 The taxpayer shall remit the amount of the tax due to the
- 4 Department at the time the taxpayer files his or her return.
- 5 (b) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act
- of the 101st General Assembly, Section  $\underline{60-20}$   $\underline{65-20}$  of the
- 7 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act shall apply to returns filed
- 8 and taxes paid under this Act to the same extent as if those
- 9 provisions were set forth in full in this Section.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 11 (410 ILCS 130/80 rep.)
- 12 (410 ILCS 130/115.5 rep.)
- 13 (410 ILCS 130/135 rep.)
- 14 (410 ILCS 130/162 rep.)
- 15 Section 30. The Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- Program Act is amended by repealing Sections 80, 115.5, 135,
- 17 and 162.
- 18 Section 35. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- 19 by changing Sections 1-10, 10-10, 10-15, 15-10, 15-15, 15-20,
- 20 15-25, 15-35, 15-35.10, 15-36, 15-40, 15-45, 15-60, 15-65,
- 21 15-70, 15-75, 15-85, 15-100, 15-135, and 15-145 and the
- 22 heading of Article 20 and Sections 20-10, 20-15, 20-20, 20-21,
- 23 20-30, and 20-45 and by adding Sections 15-13, 15-17, 15-23,
- 24 and 15-24 as follows:

1	(410 ILCS 705/1-10)
2	Sec. 1-10. Definitions. In this Act:
3	"Adequate medical supply" means:
4	(1) 2.5 ounces of usable cannabis during a period of
5	14 days and that is derived solely from an intrastate
6	source.
7	(2) Subject to the rules of the Department of Public
8	Health, a patient may apply for a waiver where a
9	certifying health care professional provides a substantial
10	medical basis in a signed, written statement asserting
11	that, based on the patient's medical history, in the
12	certifying health care professional's professional
13	judgment, 2.5 ounces is an insufficient adequate medical
14	supply for a 14-day period to properly alleviate the
15	patient's debilitating medical condition or symptoms
16	associated with the debilitating medical condition.
17	(3) This subsection may not be construed to authorize
18	the possession of more than 2.5 ounces at any time without
19	authority from the Department of Public Health.
20	(4) The pre-mixed weight of medical cannabis used in
21	making a cannabis-infused product shall apply toward the
22	limit on the total amount of medical cannabis a registered
23	qualifying patient may possess at any one time.
24	" <del>Adult Use</del> Cultivation Center License" means a license

issued by the Department of Agriculture that permits a person

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- to act as a cultivation center under this Act and any administrative rule made in furtherance of this Act.
- "Adult Use Dispensing Organization License" means a license issued by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation that permits a person to act as a dispensing organization under this Act and any administrative rule made in furtherance of this Act.
  - "Advertise" means to engage in promotional activities including, but not limited to: newspaper, radio, Internet and electronic media, and television advertising; the distribution of fliers and circulars; billboard advertising; and the display of window and interior signs. "Advertise" does not mean exterior signage displaying only the name of the licensed cannabis business establishment.
- "Application points" means the number of points a

  Dispensary Applicant receives on an application for a

  Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
- "BLS Region" means a region in Illinois used by the United 18 States Bureau of Labor Statistics to gather and categorize 19 20 certain employment and wage data. The 17 such regions in Illinois are: Bloomington, Cape Girardeau, Carbondale-Marion, 21 22 Champaign-Urbana, Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, Danville, 23 Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Decatur, Kankakee, Peoria, 24 Rockford, St. Louis, Springfield, Northwest 25 nonmetropolitan area, West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan 26 area, East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan area, and South

- 1 Illinois nonmetropolitan area.
- 2 "By lot" means a randomized method of choosing between 2
- 3 or more Eligible Tied Applicants or 2 or more Qualifying
- 4 Applicants.
- 5 "Cannabis" means marijuana, hashish, and other substances
- 6 that are identified as including any parts of the plant
- 7 Cannabis sativa and including derivatives or subspecies, such
- 8 as indica, of all strains of cannabis, whether growing or not;
- 9 the seeds thereof, the resin extracted from any part of the
- 10 plant; and any compound, manufacture, salt, derivative,
- 11 mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds, or resin,
- including tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and all other naturally
- produced cannabinol derivatives, whether produced directly or
- indirectly by extraction; however, "cannabis" does not include
- 15 the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the
- stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other
- 17 compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or
- 18 preparation of the mature stalks (except the resin extracted
- 19 from it), fiber, oil or cake, or the sterilized seed of the
- 20 plant that is incapable of germination. "Cannabis" does not
- 21 include industrial hemp as defined and authorized under the
- 22 Industrial Hemp Act. "Cannabis" also means cannabis flower,
- concentrate, and cannabis-infused products.
- "Cannabis business establishment" means a cultivation
- 25 center, craft grower, <del>processing organization,</del> infuser
- 26 organization, dispensing organization, or transporting

1 organization.

"Cannabis concentrate" means a product derived from cannabis that is produced by extracting cannabinoids, including tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), from the plant through the use of propylene glycol, glycerin, butter, olive oil, or other typical cooking fats; water, ice, or dry ice; or butane, propane, CO<sub>2</sub>, ethanol, or isopropanol and with the intended use of smoking or making a cannabis-infused product. The use of any other solvent is expressly prohibited unless and until it is approved by the Department of Agriculture.

"Cannabis container" means a sealed or resealable, traceable, container, or package used for the purpose of containment of cannabis or cannabis-infused product during transportation.

"Cannabis flower" means marijuana, hashish, and other substances that are identified as including any parts of the plant Cannabis sativa and including derivatives or subspecies, such as indica, of all strains of cannabis; including raw kief, leaves, and buds, but not resin that has been extracted from any part of such plant; nor any compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such plant, its seeds, or resin.

"Cannabis-infused product" means a beverage, food, oil, ointment, tincture, topical formulation, or another product containing cannabis or cannabis concentrate that is not intended to be smoked.

"Cannabis paraphernalia" means equipment, products, or materials intended to be used for planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, ingesting, or otherwise introducing cannabis into the human body.

"Cannabis plant monitoring system" or "plant monitoring system" means a system that includes, but is not limited to, testing and data collection established and maintained by the cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser processing organization and that is available to the Department of Revenue, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, and the Illinois State Police for the purposes of documenting each cannabis plant and monitoring plant development throughout the life cycle of a cannabis plant cultivated for the intended use by a customer from seed planting to final packaging.

"Cannabis testing facility" means an entity registered by the Department of Agriculture to test cannabis for potency and contaminants.

"Clone" means a plant section from a female cannabis plant not yet rootbound, growing in a water solution or other propagation matrix, that is capable of developing into a new plant.

"Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot Program faculty participant" means a person who is 21 years of

- 1 age or older, licensed by the Department of Agriculture, and
- 2 is employed or contracted by an Illinois community college to
- 3 provide student instruction using cannabis plants at an
- 4 Illinois Community College.
- 5 "Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot
- 6 Program faculty participant Agent Identification Card" means a
- 7 document issued by the Department of Agriculture that
- 8 identifies a person as a Community College Cannabis Vocational
- 9 Training Pilot Program faculty participant.
- "Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License"
- 11 means a contingent license awarded to applicants for an Adult
- 12 Use Dispensing Organization License that reserves the right to
- 13 an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License if the applicant
- 14 meets certain conditions described in this Act, but does not
- 15 entitle the recipient to begin purchasing or selling cannabis
- or cannabis-infused products.
- "Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center License" means a
- 18 license awarded to top-scoring applicants for a an Adult Use
- 19 Cultivation Center License that reserves the right to a <del>an</del>
- 20 Adult Use Cultivation Center License if the applicant meets
- 21 certain conditions as determined by the Department of
- 22 Agriculture by rule, but does not entitle the recipient to
- 23 begin growing, processing, or selling cannabis or
- 24 cannabis-infused products.
- 25 "Craft grower" means a facility operated by an
- organization or business that is licensed by the Department of

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Agriculture to cultivate, dry, cure, and package cannabis and perform other necessary activities to make cannabis available for sale at a dispensing organization or use at an infuser a processing organization. A craft grower may contain up to 5,000 square feet of canopy space on its premises for plants in the flowering state. The Department of Agriculture may authorize an increase or decrease of flowering stage cultivation space in increments of 3,000 square feet by rule based on market need, craft grower capacity, and the licensee's history of compliance or noncompliance, with a maximum space of 14,000 square feet for cultivating plants in the flowering stage, which must be cultivated in all stages of growth in an enclosed and secure area. A craft grower may share premises with an infuser a processing organization or a dispensing organization, or both, provided each licensee stores currency and cannabis or cannabis-infused products in a separate secured vault to which the other licensee does not have access or all licensees sharing a vault share more than 50% of the same ownership.

"Craft grower agent" means a principal officer, board member, employee, or other agent of a craft grower who is 21 years of age or older.

"Craft Grower Agent Identification Card" means a document issued by the Department of Agriculture that identifies a person as a craft grower agent.

"Cultivation center" means a facility operated by an

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- 2 Agriculture to cultivate, process, transport (unless otherwise
- 3 limited by this Act), and perform other necessary activities
- 4 to provide cannabis and cannabis-infused products to cannabis
- 5 business establishments. As used in this Act, "cultivation
- 6 <u>center" includes any cultivation center which prior to July 1,</u>
- 7 <u>2025, was a cultivation center as defined in the Compassionate</u>
- 8 Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 9 "Cultivation center agent" means a principal officer,
- 10 board member, employee, or other agent of a cultivation center
- 11 who is 21 years of age or older.
- "Cultivation Center Agent Identification Card" means a
- 13 document issued by the Department of Agriculture that
- identifies a person as a cultivation center agent.
- 15 "Currency" means currency and coin of the United States.
- "Designated caregiver" means a person who: (1) is at least
- 17 21 years of age; (2) has agreed to assist with a patient's
- 18 medical use of cannabis; (3) and assists no more than one
- 19 <u>registered qualifying patient with his or her medical use of</u>
- 20 cannabis.
- 21 "Dispensary" means a facility operated by a dispensing
- 22 organization at which activities licensed by this Act may
- 23 <del>occur.</del>
- 24 "Dispensary Applicant" means the Proposed Dispensing
- 25 Organization Name as stated on an application for a
- 26 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.

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"Dispensing organization" or "dispensary" means a facility operated by an organization or business that is licensed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to acquire cannabis from a cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser processing organization licensed by the Department of Agriculture, or another dispensary licensed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, for the purpose of selling or dispensing cannabis, cannabis-infused products, cannabis seeds, paraphernalia, or related supplies under this Act to purchasers or to qualified registered medical cannabis patients and caregivers. As used in this Act, "dispensing organization" includes any dispensary which, prior to July 1, 2025, was a  $\frac{1}{2}$  registered medical cannabis organization as defined in the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or its successor Act or that has obtained an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a Secondary Site under this Act.

"Dispensing organization agent" means a principal officer, employee, or agent of a dispensing organization who is 21 years of age or older.

"Dispensing organization agent identification card" means a document issued by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation that identifies a person as a dispensing organization agent.

"Disproportionately Impacted Area" means a census tract or

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- (1) meets at least one of the following criteria:
- (A) the area has a poverty rate of at least 20% according to the latest federal decennial census; or
- (B) 75% or more of the children in the area participate in the federal free lunch program according to reported statistics from the State Board of Education; or
- (C) at least 20% of the households in the area receive assistance under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; or
- (D) the area has an average unemployment rate, as determined by the Illinois Department of Employment Security, that is more than 120% of the national unemployment average, as determined by the United States Department of Labor, for a period of at least 2 consecutive calendar years preceding the date of the application; and
- (2) has high rates of arrest, conviction, and incarceration related to the sale, possession, use, cultivation, manufacture, or transport of cannabis.

"Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License" means a license that permits a medical cannabis cultivation center licensed under the Compassionate Use of Medical

Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act to begin cultivating, infusing, packaging, transporting (unless otherwise provided in this Act), processing, and selling cannabis or cannabis-infused product to cannabis business establishments for resale to purchasers as permitted by this Act as of January 1, 2020.

"Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License" means a license that permits a medical cannabis dispensing organization licensed under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act to begin selling cannabis or cannabis-infused product to purchasers as permitted by this Act as of January 1, 2020.

"Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site" means a license that permits a medical cannabis dispensing organization licensed under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act to begin selling cannabis or cannabis-infused product to purchasers as permitted by this Act on January 1, 2020 at a different dispensary location from its existing registered medical dispensary location.

"Eligible Tied Applicant" means a Tied Applicant that is eligible to participate in the process by which a remaining available license is distributed by lot pursuant to a Tied Applicant Lottery.

"Enclosed, locked facility" means a room, greenhouse, building, or other enclosed area equipped with locks or other

security devices that permit access only by cannabis business establishment agents working for the licensed cannabis business establishment or acting pursuant to this Act to cultivate, process, store, or distribute cannabis.

"Enclosed, locked space" means a closet, room, greenhouse, building, or other enclosed area equipped with locks or other security devices that permit access only by authorized individuals under this Act. "Enclosed, locked space" may include:

- (1) a space within a residential building that (i) is the primary residence of the individual cultivating 5 or fewer cannabis plants that are more than 5 inches tall and (ii) includes sleeping quarters and indoor plumbing. The space must only be accessible by a key or code that is different from any key or code that can be used to access the residential building from the exterior; or
- (2) a structure, such as a shed or greenhouse, that lies on the same plot of land as a residential building that (i) includes sleeping quarters and indoor plumbing and (ii) is used as a primary residence by the person cultivating 5 or fewer cannabis plants that are more than 5 inches tall, such as a shed or greenhouse. The structure must remain locked when it is unoccupied by people.

"Financial institution" has the same meaning as "financial organization" as defined in Section 1501 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, and also includes the holding companies,

1 subsidiaries, and affiliates of such financial organizations.

"Flowering stage" means the stage of cultivation where and when a cannabis plant is cultivated to produce plant material for cannabis products. This includes mature plants as follows:

- (1) if greater than 2 stigmas are visible at each internode of the plant; or
- (2) if the cannabis plant is in an area that has been intentionally deprived of light for a period of time intended to produce flower buds and induce maturation, from the moment the light deprivation began through the remainder of the marijuana plant growth cycle.
- "Individual" means a natural person.

"Infuser organization" or "infuser" means a facility operated by an organization or business that is licensed by the Department of Agriculture to directly incorporate cannabis or cannabis concentrate into a product formulation to produce a cannabis-infused product.

"Infuser organization agent" means a principal officer, board member, employee, or other agent of an infuser organization.

"Infuser organization agent identification card" means a document issued by the Department of Agriculture that identifies a person as an infuser organization agent.

"Kief" means the resinous crystal-like trichomes that are found on cannabis and that are accumulated, resulting in a higher concentration of cannabinoids, untreated by heat or

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pressure, or extracted using a solvent.

"Labor peace agreement" means an agreement between a cannabis business establishment and any labor organization recognized under the National Labor Relations Act, referred to in this Act as a bona fide labor organization, that prohibits labor organizations and members from engaging in picketing, work stoppages, boycotts, and any other economic interference with the cannabis business establishment. This agreement means that the cannabis business establishment has agreed not to disrupt efforts by the bona fide labor organization to communicate with, and attempt to organize and represent, the cannabis business establishment's employees. The agreement shall provide a bona fide labor organization access at reasonable times to areas in which the cannabis business establishment's employees work, for the purpose of meeting with employees to discuss their right to representation, employment rights under State law, and terms and conditions of employment. This type of agreement shall not mandate a particular method of election or certification of the bona fide labor organization.

"Limited access area" means a room or other area under the control of a cannabis dispensing organization licensed under this Act and upon the licensed premises where cannabis sales occur with access limited to purchasers, dispensing organization owners and other dispensing organization agents, or service professionals conducting business with the

dispensing organization, or, if sales to registered qualifying
patients, caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid
Alternative Pilot Program participants licensed pursuant to
the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act are also
permitted at the dispensary, registered qualifying patients,
caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid Alternative Pilot
Program participants.

"Member of an impacted family" means an individual who has a parent, legal guardian, child, spouse, or dependent, or was a dependent of an individual who, prior to the effective date of this Act, was arrested for, convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for any offense that is eligible for expungement under this Act.

"Mother plant" means a cannabis plant that is cultivated or maintained for the purpose of generating clones, and that will not be used to produce plant material for sale to an infuser or dispensing organization.

"Ordinary public view" means within the sight line with normal visual range of a person, unassisted by visual aids, from a public street or sidewalk adjacent to real property, or from within an adjacent property.

"Ownership and control" means ownership of at least 51% of the business, including corporate stock if a corporation, and control over the management and day-to-day operations of the business and an interest in the capital, assets, and profits and losses of the business proportionate to percentage of

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"Person" means a natural individual, firm, partnership, association, joint stock company, joint venture, public or private corporation, limited liability company, or a receiver, executor, trustee, guardian, or other representative appointed by order of any court.

"Possession limit" means the amount of cannabis under Section 10-10 that may be possessed at any one time by a person 21 years of age or older or who is a registered qualifying medical cannabis patient or caregiver under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

"Principal officer" includes a cannabis business applicant licensed establishment or cannabis business establishment's board member, owner with more than 1% interest of the total cannabis business establishment or more than 5% interest of the total cannabis business establishment of a publicly traded company, president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, partner, officer, member, manager member, or person with a profit sharing, financial interest, or revenue sharing arrangement. The definition includes a person with authority to control the cannabis business establishment, a person who assumes responsibility for the debts of the cannabis business establishment and who is further defined in this Act.

"Primary residence" means a dwelling where a person usually stays or stays more often than other locations. It may be determined by, without limitation, presence, tax filings;

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more than one primary residence.

"Provisional patient" means a qualifying patient who has received a provisional registration from the Department of Public Health.

"Processor license" means a license issued to an infuser organization that is licensed by the Department of Agriculture under subsection (f) of Section 35-31 to extract raw materials from cannabis flower.

"Processing organization" or "processor" means a facility operated by an organization or business that is licensed by the Department of Agriculture to either extract constituent chemicals or compounds to produce cannabis concentrate or incorporate cannabis or cannabis concentrate into a product formulation to produce a cannabis product.

"Processing organization agent" means a principal officer, board member, employee, or agent of a processing organization.

"Processing organization agent identification card" means
a document issued by the Department of Agriculture that
identifies a person as a processing organization agent.

"Purchaser" means a person 21 years of age or older who acquires cannabis for a valuable consideration. "Purchaser" does not include a cardholder under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

"Qualifying Applicant" means an applicant that submitted
an application pursuant to Section 15-30 that received at
least 85% of 250 application points available under Section
15-30 as the applicant's final score and meets the definition
of "Social Equity Applicant" as set forth under this Section.

"Qualifying patient" or "qualified patient" means a person
who has been diagnosed by a certifying health care
professional as having a debilitating medical condition as
defined under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
Program Act.

"Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant" means an applicant that submitted an application pursuant to Section 15-30 that received at least 85% of 250 application points available under Section 15-30 as the applicant's final score and meets the criteria of either paragraph (1) or (2) of the definition of "Social Equity Applicant" as set forth under this Section.

"Qualified Social Equity Applicant" means a Social Equity Applicant who has been awarded a conditional license under this Act to operate a cannabis business establishment.

"Resided" means an individual's primary residence was located within the relevant geographic area as established by 2 of the following:

- 24 (1) a signed lease agreement that includes the applicant's name;
  - (2) a property deed that includes the applicant's

1	name;
2	(3) school records;
3	(4) a voter registration card;
4	(5) an Illinois driver's license, an Illinois
5	Identification Card, or an Illinois Person with a
6	Disability Identification Card;
7	(6) a paycheck stub;
8	(7) a utility bill;
9	(8) tax records; or
10	(9) any other proof of residency or other information
11	necessary to establish residence as provided by rule.
12	"Smoking" means the inhalation of smoke caused by the
13	combustion of cannabis.
14	"Social Equity Applicant" means an applicant that is an
15	Illinois resident that meets one of the following criteria:
16	(1) an applicant with at least 51% ownership and
17	control by one or more individuals who have resided for at
18	least 5 of the preceding 10 years in a Disproportionately
19	Impacted Area;
20	(2) an applicant with at least 51% ownership and
21	control by one or more individuals who:
22	(i) have been arrested for, convicted of, or
23	adjudicated delinquent for any offense that is
24	eligible for expungement under this Act; or
25	(ii) is a member of an impacted family;
26	(3) for applicants with a minimum of 10 full-time

1	employees,	an	applicant	with	at	least	51%	of	current
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- (i) currently reside in a Disproportionately Impacted Area; or
  - (ii) have been arrested for, convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for any offense that is eligible for expungement under this Act or member of an impacted family.

Nothing in this Act shall be construed to preempt or limit the duties of any employer under the Job Opportunities for Qualified Applicants Act. Nothing in this Act shall permit an employer to require an employee to disclose sealed or expunsed offenses, unless otherwise required by law.

"Tied Applicant" means an application submitted by a Dispensary Applicant pursuant to Section 15-30 that received the same number of application points under Section 15-30 as the Dispensary Applicant's final score as one or more top-scoring applications in the same BLS Region and would have been awarded a license but for the one or more other top-scoring applications that received the same number of application points. Each application for which a Dispensary Applicant was required to pay a required application fee for the application period ending January 2, 2020 shall be considered an application of a separate Tied Applicant.

"Tied Applicant Lottery" means the process established under 68 Ill. Adm. Code 1291.50 for awarding Conditional Adult

- 1 Use Dispensing Organization Licenses pursuant to Sections
- 2 15-25 and 15-30 among Eligible Tied Applicants.
- 3 "Tincture" means a cannabis-infused solution, typically
- 4 comprised of alcohol, glycerin, or vegetable oils, derived
- 5 either directly from the cannabis plant or from a processed
- 6 cannabis extract. A tincture is not an alcoholic liquor as
- 7 defined in the Liquor Control Act of 1934. A tincture shall
- 8 include a calibrated dropper or other similar device capable
- 9 of accurately measuring servings.
- 10 "Transporting organization" or "transporter" means an
- organization or business that is licensed by the Department of
- 12 Agriculture to transport cannabis or cannabis-infused product
- on behalf of a cannabis business establishment or a community
- 14 college licensed under the Community College Cannabis
- 15 Vocational Training Pilot Program.
- 16 "Transporting organization agent" means a principal
- officer, board member, employee, or agent of a transporting
- 18 organization.
- "Transporting organization agent identification card"
- 20 means a document issued by the Department of Agriculture that
- 21 identifies a person as a transporting organization agent.
- "Unit of local government" means any county, city,
- village, or incorporated town.
- "Vegetative stage" means the stage of cultivation in which
- 25 a cannabis plant is propagated to produce additional cannabis
- 26 plants or reach a sufficient size for production. This

- includes seedlings, clones, mothers, and other immature cannabis plants as follows:
- 3 (1) if the cannabis plant is in an area that has not 4 been intentionally deprived of light for a period of time 5 intended to produce flower buds and induce maturation, it 6 has no more than 2 stigmas visible at each internode of the 7 cannabis plant; or
- 8 (2) any cannabis plant that is cultivated solely for 9 the purpose of propagating clones and is never used to 10 produce cannabis.
- 11 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 12 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 13 5-13-22.)
- 14 (410 ILCS 705/10-10)
- 15 Sec. 10-10. Possession limit.
- 16 (a) Except if otherwise authorized by this Act, for a
  17 person who is 21 years of age or older and a resident of this
  18 State, the possession limit is as follows:
- 19 (1) 30 grams of cannabis flower;
- 20 (2) no more than 500 milligrams of THC contained in cannabis-infused product;
- 22 (3) 5 grams of cannabis concentrate; and
- 23 (4) for registered qualifying patients, any cannabis 24 produced by cannabis plants grown under subsection (b) of 25 Section 10-5, provided any amount of cannabis produced in

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- excess of 30 grams of raw cannabis or its equivalent must remain secured within the residence or residential property in which it was grown.
- 4 (b) For a person who is 21 years of age or older and who is not a resident of this State, the possession limit is:
  - (1) 15 grams of cannabis flower;
  - (2) 2.5 grams of cannabis concentrate; and
- 8 (3) 250 milligrams of THC contained in a cannabis-infused product.
- 10 (c) The possession limits found in subsections (a) and (b)
  11 of this Section are to be considered cumulative.
  - (d) No person shall knowingly obtain, seek to obtain, or possess an amount of cannabis from a dispensing organization or craft grower that would cause him or her to exceed the possession limit under this Section, including cannabis that is cultivated by a person under this Act or obtained as a qualified registered medical patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver.
  - (d-1) No qualified registered patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver shall knowingly obtain, seek to obtain, or possess, individually or collectively, an amount that would cause the individual to exceed their adequate medical supply under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
  - (e) Cannabis and cannabis-derived substances regulated under the Industrial Hemp Act are not covered by this Act.

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- 1 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 2 (410 ILCS 705/10-15)
- 3 Sec. 10-15. Persons under 21 years of age.
- 4 (a) Nothing in this Act is intended to permit the transfer 5 of cannabis, with or without remuneration, to a person under 6 21 years of age, or to allow a person under 21 years of age to 7 purchase, possess, use, process, transport, grow, or consume cannabis except where authorized this Act, 8 by the 9 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or by the

Community College Cannabis Vocational Pilot Program.

- 11 Notwithstanding any other (b) provisions of law 12 authorizing the possession of medical cannabis or 1.3 cannabis-infused products by a qualified registered medical patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver, nothing 14 15 in this Act authorizes a person who is under 21 years of age to 16 possess cannabis. A person under 21 years of age with cannabis in his or her possession is quilty of a civil law violation as 17 18 outlined in paragraph (a) of Section 4 of the Cannabis Control Act. 19
  - (c) If the person under the age of 21 was in a motor vehicle at the time of the offense, the Secretary of State may suspend or revoke the driving privileges of any person for a violation of this Section under Section 6-206 of the Illinois Vehicle Code and the rules adopted under it.
  - (d) It is unlawful for any parent or guardian to knowingly

permit his or her residence, any other private property under 1 2 his or her control, or any vehicle, conveyance, or watercraft 3 under his or her control to be used by an invitee of the parent's child or the quardian's ward, if the invitee is under 5 the age of 21, in a manner that constitutes a violation of this Section. A parent or quardian is deemed to have knowingly 6 7 permitted his or her residence, any other private property 8 under his or her control, or any vehicle, conveyance, or 9 watercraft under his or her control to be used in violation of 10 this Section if he or she knowingly authorizes or permits 11 consumption of cannabis by underage invitees. Any person who 12 violates this subsection (d) is quilty of a Class A misdemeanor and the person's sentence shall include, but shall 13 14 not be limited to, a fine of not less than \$500. If a violation 15 of this subsection (d) directly or indirectly results in great 16 bodily harm or death to any person, the person violating this 17 subsection is guilty of a Class 4 felony. In this subsection (d), where the residence or other property has an owner and a 18 tenant or lessee, the trier of fact may infer that the 19 20 residence or other property is occupied only by the tenant or lessee. 21

- 22 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 23 (410 ILCS 705/15-10)
- Sec. 15-10. Medical cannabis dispensing organization exemption. This Article does not apply to medical cannabis

- dispensing organizations registered under the Compassionate
- 2 Use of Medical Cannabis <del>Pilot</del> Program Act, except where
- 3 otherwise specified. This section shall be repealed on January
- 4 1, 2026.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 6 (410 ILCS 705/15-13 new)
- 7 Sec. 15-13. Adult Use and medical cannabis dispensing
- 8 organization license merger; medical patient prioritization.
- 9 (a) Beginning July 1, 2025, all medical cannabis
- 10 dispensing organizations registered under the Compassionate
- 11 Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and that have received an
- 12 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License shall
- 13 be deemed to be an adult use dispensing organization licensed
- 14 pursuant to Section 15-36 of this Act. In addition to selling
- cannabis and cannabis-infused products to persons 21 years of
- age or older, beginning July 1, 2025, but no later than October
- 17 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations licensed pursuant to
- 18 Section 15-36 of this Act shall also offer services to
- 19 registered qualifying patients, provisional patients, and
- 20 designated caregivers.
- 21 (b) Beginning July 1, 2025, all dispensing organization
- 22 agents registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical
- 23 Cannabis Program Act shall be deemed to be a dispensing
- 24 organization agent as that term is defined in this Act. All
- 25 <u>dispensing organization agents registered under the</u>

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1 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall have 2 the same rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities of 3 dispensing organization agents licensed under this Act. All dispensing organization agents shall be subject to this Act 4 5

and any administrative rules adopted under this Act.

(c) On and after July 1, 2025, any dispensing organization previously registered as an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site shall renew pursuant to Section 15-45 of this Act. The Department shall prorate any dispensing organization previously registered as an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site's first renewal fee due under Section 15-45.

(d) By October 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations shall pay a one-time fee of \$10,000 to be deposited into the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund. After this one-time fee, all dispensing organizations shall renew pursuant to the provisions of Section 15-45. The Department may approve payment plans that extend beyond October 1, 2025 for the fee paid under this subsection if the first payment under the payment plan is remitted by October 1, 2025.

(e) All dispensing organizations must maintain an adequate supply of cannabis and cannabis-infused products for purchase by qualifying patients, designated caregivers, and provisional patients. For the purposes of this subsection, the Department

- 1 may promulgate administrative rules establishing what
- 2 <u>constitutes an adequate supply.</u>
- 3 (f) If there is a shortage of cannabis or cannabis-infused
- 4 products, a dispensing organization shall prioritize serving
- 5 qualifying patients, designated caregivers, and provisional
- 6 <u>patients before serving purchasers.</u>
- 7 (g) Beginning July 1, 2025, cannabis and cannabis-infused
- 8 products purchased from a dispensing organization by a
- 9 qualified patient, provisional patient, or designated
- 10 caregiver are not subject to tax under Section 65-10 of this
- 11 Act.
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/15-15)
- 13 Sec. 15-15. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 14 Organization License.
- 15 (a) Any medical cannabis dispensing organization holding a
- 16 valid registration under the Compassionate Use of Medical
- 17 Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act may,
- 18 within 60 days of the effective date of this Act, apply to the
- 19 Department for an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 20 Organization License to serve purchasers at any medical
- 21 cannabis dispensing location in operation on the effective
- date of this Act, pursuant to this Section.
- 23 (b) A medical cannabis dispensing organization seeking
- 24 issuance of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 25 Organization License to serve purchasers at any medical

1	cannabis dispensing location in operation as of the effective
2	date of this Act shall submit an application on forms provided
3	by the Department. The application must be submitted by the
4	same person or entity that holds the medical cannabis
5	dispensing organization registration and include the
6	following:

- (1) Payment of a nonrefundable fee of \$30,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;
  - (2) Proof of registration as a medical cannabis dispensing organization that is in good standing;
  - (3) Certification that the applicant will comply with the requirements contained in the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act except as provided in this Act;
    - (4) The legal name of the dispensing organization;
  - (5) The physical address of the dispensing organization;
  - (6) The name, address, social security number, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the dispensing organization, each of whom must be at least 21 years of age;
  - (7) A nonrefundable Cannabis Business Development Fee equal to 3% of the dispensing organization's total sales between June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019, or \$100,000, whichever is less, to be deposited into the Cannabis Business Development Fund; and

L	(8)	Identifi	cation	of	one	of	the	follow	ing	Social
2	Equity	Inclusion	Plans	to be	comp	olete	ed by	March	31,	2021:

- (A) Make a contribution of 3% of total sales from June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019, or \$100,000, whichever is less, to the Cannabis Business Development Fund. This is in addition to the fee required by item (7) of this subsection (b);
- (B) Make a grant of 3% of total sales from June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019, or \$100,000, whichever is less, to a cannabis industry training or education program at an Illinois community college as defined in the Public Community College Act;
- (C) Make a donation of \$100,000 or more to a program that provides job training services to persons recently incarcerated or that operates in a Disproportionately Impacted Area;
- (D) Participate as a host in a cannabis business establishment incubator program approved by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and in which an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder agrees to provide a loan of at least \$100,000 and mentorship to incubate, for at least a year, a Social Equity Applicant intending to seek a license or a licensee that qualifies as a Social Equity Applicant. As used in this Section, "incubate" means providing direct financial assistance

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and training necessary to engage in licensed cannabis industry activity similar to that of the host licensee. The Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder or the same entity holding any other licenses issued pursuant to this Act shall not take an ownership stake of greater than 10% in any business receiving incubation services to comply with this subsection. If an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder fails to find a business to incubate to comply with this subsection before its Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License expires, it may opt to meet the requirement of this subsection by completing another item from this subsection; or

(E) Participate in a sponsorship program for at least 2 years approved by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity in which an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder agrees to provide an interest-free loan of at least \$200,000 to a Social Equity Applicant. The sponsor shall not take an ownership stake in any cannabis business establishment receiving sponsorship services to comply with this subsection.

(b-5) Beginning 90 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly, an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization licensee whose

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license was issued pursuant to this Section may apply to relocate within the same geographic district where its existing associated medical cannabis dispensing organization dispensary licensed under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Act is authorized to operate. A request to relocate subsection is subject to under this approval Department. Early Approval Adult Use An Dispensing Organization's application to relocate its license under this subsection shall be deemed approved 30 days following the submission of a complete application to relocate, unless sooner approved or denied in writing by the Department. If an application to relocate is denied, the Department shall provide, in writing, the specific reason for denial.

An Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization may request to relocate under this subsection if:

- (1) its existing location is within the boundaries of a unit of local government that prohibits the sale of adult use cannabis; or
- (2) the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization has obtained the approval of the municipality or, if outside the boundaries of a municipality in an unincorporated area of the county, the approval of the county where the existing license is located to move to another location within that unit of local government.

At no time may an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization dispensary licensed under this Section operate in

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- a separate facility from its associated medical cannabis dispensing organization dispensary licensed under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Act. The relocation of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this subsection shall be subject to Sections 55-25 and
- 7 (c) The license fee required by paragraph (1) of 8 subsection (b) of this Section shall be in addition to any 9 license fee required for the renewal of a registered medical cannabis dispensing organization license.
  - (d) Applicants must submit all required information, including the requirements in subsection (b) of this Section, to the Department. Failure by an applicant to submit all required information may result in the application being disqualified.
    - (e) If the Department receives an application that fails to provide the required elements contained in subsection (b), the Department shall issue a deficiency notice to the applicant. The applicant shall have 10 calendar days from the date of the deficiency notice to submit complete information. Applications that are still incomplete after this opportunity to cure may be disqualified.
    - (f) If an applicant meets all the requirements of subsection (b) of this Section, the Department shall issue the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License within 14 days of receiving a completed application unless:

- 1 (1) The licensee or a principal officer is delinquent 2 in filing any required tax returns or paying any amounts 3 owed to the State of Illinois;
  - (2) The Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation determines there is reason, based on documented compliance violations, the licensee is not entitled to an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License; or
  - (3) Any principal officer fails to register and remain in compliance with this Act or the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
  - (g) A registered medical cannabis dispensing organization that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License may begin selling cannabis, cannabis-infused products, paraphernalia, and related items to purchasers under the rules of this Act no sooner than January 1, 2020.
    - (h) A dispensing organization holding a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act must maintain an adequate supply of cannabis and cannabis-infused products for purchase by qualifying patients, caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participants. For the purposes of this subsection, "adequate supply" means a monthly inventory level that is comparable in type and quantity to those medical cannabis products provided to patients and

- caregivers on an average monthly basis for the 6 months before the effective date of this Act.
  - (i) If there is a shortage of cannabis or cannabis-infused products, a dispensing organization holding both a dispensing organization license under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and this Act shall prioritize serving qualifying patients, caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid Alternative Pilot Program participants before serving purchasers.
  - (j) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a person that holds a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License may permit purchasers into a limited access area as that term is defined in administrative rules made under the authority in the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
  - (k) An Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License is valid until March 31, 2021. A dispensing organization that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and that informs the license holder that it may apply to renew its Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License on forms provided by the Department. The Department shall renew the Early Approval

- Adult Use Dispensing Organization License within 60 days of the renewal application being deemed complete if:
  - (1) the dispensing organization submits an application and the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$30,000, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;
  - (2) the Department has not suspended or permanently revoked the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license on the same premises for violations of this Act, the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or rules adopted pursuant to those Acts;
  - (3) the dispensing organization has completed a Social Equity Inclusion Plan as provided by parts (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (8) of subsection (b) of this Section or has made substantial progress toward completing a Social Equity Inclusion Plan as provided by parts (D) and (E) of paragraph (8) of subsection (b) of this Section; and
  - (4) the dispensing organization is in compliance with this Act and rules.
  - (1) The Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License renewed pursuant to subsection (k) of this Section shall expire March 31, 2022. The Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licensee shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and that informs the license holder that it may apply for an Adult Use Dispensing

- Organization License on forms provided by the Department. The
  Department shall grant an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
  License within 60 days of an application being deemed complete
  - (m) If a dispensing organization fails to submit an application for renewal of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or for an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License before the expiration dates provided in subsections (k) and (l) of this Section, the dispensing organization shall cease serving purchasers and cease all operations until it receives a renewal or an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, as the case may be.

if the applicant has met all of the criteria in Section 15-36.

- (n) A dispensing organization agent who holds a valid dispensing organization agent identification card issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and is an officer, director, manager, or employee of the dispensing organization licensed under this Section may engage in all activities authorized by this Article to be performed by a dispensing organization agent.
- (o) If the Department suspends, permanently revokes, or otherwise disciplines the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License of a dispensing organization that also holds a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, the Department may consider the suspension, permanent revocation, or other discipline of the medical cannabis

- 1 dispensing organization license.
- 2 (p) All fees collected pursuant to this Section shall be
- 3 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund, unless otherwise
- 4 specified.
- 5 (q) On and after July 1, 2025, all dispensaries which were
- 6 previously issued an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 7 Organization License pursuant to this Section shall be deemed
- 8 to be a dispensary pursuant to Section 15-36 of this Act.
- 9 <u>(r) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.</u>
- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 11 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.)
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/15-17 new)
- 13 Sec. 15-17. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 14 Organization License merger with Adult Use Dispensing
- 15 Organization License.
- 16 (a) On and after July 1, 2025, all dispensing
- 17 organizations previously registered as an Early Approval Adult
- 18 Use Dispensing Organization License shall be a dispensing
- 19 organization or a dispensary under this Act and shall be an
- 20 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder under Section
- 21 15-36 of this Act.
- 22 (b) The BLS Region in which the dispensing organization
- 23 licensee's Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 24 License was originally issued shall be considered the
- 25 licensee's BLS Region. The dispensing organization shall

- 1 remain in that BLS Region even if the license or licensee
- 2 changes its ownership, is sold, is relocated under Section
- 3 <u>15-24 of this Act, or receives authorization under subsection</u>
- 4 7 (e-5) of Section 15-25.
- 5 (410 ILCS 705/15-20)
- 6 Sec. 15-20. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 7 Organization License; secondary site.
- 8 (a) Any medical cannabis dispensing organization holding a
- 9 valid registration under the Compassionate Use of Medical
- 10 Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act may,
- 11 within 60 days of the effective date of this Act, apply to the
- 12 Department for an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 13 Organization License to operate a dispensing organization to
- serve purchasers at a secondary site not within 1,500 feet of
- another medical cannabis dispensing organization or adult use
- 16 dispensing organization. The Early Approval Adult Use
- 17 Dispensing Organization secondary site shall be within any BLS
- 18 Region that shares territory with the dispensing organization
- 19 district to which the medical cannabis dispensing organization
- 20 is assigned under the administrative rules for dispensing
- 21 organizations under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- 22 Program Act.
- 23 (a-5) If, within 360 days of the effective date of this
- 24 Act, a dispensing organization is unable to find a location
- 25 within the BLS Regions prescribed in subsection (a) of this

- Section in which to operate an Early Approval Adult Use
  Dispensing Organization at a secondary site because no
  jurisdiction within the prescribed area allows the operation
  of an Adult Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization, the
  Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may waive
  the geographic restrictions of subsection (a) of this Section
  and specify another BLS Region into which the dispensary may
  be placed.
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- 10 (c) A medical cannabis dispensing organization seeking 11 issuance of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing 12 Organization License at a secondary site to serve purchasers 13 at a secondary site as prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section shall submit an application on forms provided by the 14 15 Department. The application must meet or include the following 16 qualifications:
- 17 (1) a payment of a nonrefundable application fee of \$30,000;
  - (2) proof of registration as a medical cannabis dispensing organization that is in good standing;
  - (3) submission of the application by the same person or entity that holds the medical cannabis dispensing organization registration;
- 24 (4) the legal name of the medical cannabis dispensing organization;
- 26 (5) the physical address of the medical cannabis

dispensing organization and the proposed physical address of the secondary site;

- (6) a copy of the current local zoning ordinance Sections relevant to dispensary operations and documentation of the approval, the conditional approval or the status of a request for zoning approval from the local zoning office that the proposed dispensary location is in compliance with the local zoning rules;
- (7) a plot plan of the dispensary drawn to scale. The applicant shall submit general specifications of the building exterior and interior layout;
- (8) a statement that the dispensing organization agrees to respond to the Department's supplemental requests for information;
- (9) for the building or land to be used as the proposed dispensary:
  - (A) if the property is not owned by the applicant, a written statement from the property owner and landlord, if any, certifying consent that the applicant may operate a dispensary on the premises; or
  - (B) if the property is owned by the applicant, confirmation of ownership;
  - (10) a copy of the proposed operating bylaws;
- (11) a copy of the proposed business plan that complies with the requirements in this Act, including, at a minimum, the following:

1	(A) a description of services to be offered; and
2	(B) a description of the process of dispensing
3	cannabis;
4	(12) a copy of the proposed security plan that
5	complies with the requirements in this Article, including:
6	(A) a description of the delivery process by which
7	cannabis will be received from a transporting
8	organization, including receipt of manifests and
9	protocols that will be used to avoid diversion, theft,
10	or loss at the dispensary acceptance point; and
11	(B) the process or controls that will be
12	implemented to monitor the dispensary, secure the
13	premises, agents, patients, and currency, and prevent
14	the diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis; and
15	(C) the process to ensure that access to the
16	restricted access areas is restricted to, registered
17	agents, service professionals, transporting
18	organization agents, Department inspectors, and
19	security personnel;
20	(13) a proposed inventory control plan that complies
21	with this Section;
22	(14) the name, address, social security number, and
23	date of birth of each principal officer and board member
24	of the dispensing organization; each of those individuals
25	shall be at least 21 years of age;

(15) a nonrefundable Cannabis Business Development Fee

1	equal	to	\$200,000,	to	be	deposited	into	the	Cannabis
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- (16) a commitment to completing one of the following Social Equity Inclusion Plans in subsection (d).
- (d) Before receiving an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site, a dispensing organization shall indicate the Social Equity Inclusion Plan that the applicant plans to achieve before the expiration of the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License from the list below:
  - (1) make a contribution of 3% of total sales from June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019, or \$100,000, whichever is less, to the Cannabis Business Development Fund. This is in addition to the fee required by paragraph (16) of subsection (c) of this Section;
  - (2) make a grant of 3% of total sales from June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019, or \$100,000, whichever is less, to a cannabis industry training or education program at an Illinois community college as defined in the Public Community College Act;
  - (3) make a donation of \$100,000 or more to a program that provides job training services to persons recently incarcerated or that operates in a Disproportionately Impacted Area;
  - (4) participate as a host in a cannabis business establishment incubator program approved by the Department

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of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and in which an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site holder agrees to provide a loan of at least \$100,000 and mentorship to incubate, for at least a year, a Social Equity Applicant intending to seek a license or a licensee that qualifies as a Social Equity Applicant. In this paragraph (4), "incubate" direct financial assistance providing and training necessary to engage in licensed cannabis industry activity similar to that of the host licensee. The Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder or the same entity holding any other licenses issued under this Act shall not take an ownership stake of greater than 10% in any business receiving incubation services to comply with this subsection. If an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site holder fails to find a business to incubate in order to comply with this subsection before its Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site expires, it may opt to meet the requirement of this subsection by completing another item from this subsection before the expiration of its Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site to avoid a penalty; or

(5) participate in a sponsorship program for at least 2 years approved by the Department of Commerce and

- Economic Opportunity in which an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site holder agrees to provide an interest-free loan of at least \$200,000 to a Social Equity Applicant. The sponsor shall not take an ownership stake of greater than 10% in any business receiving sponsorship services to comply with this subsection.
  - (e) The license fee required by paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of this Section is in addition to any license fee required for the renewal of a registered medical cannabis dispensing organization license.
  - (f) Applicants must submit all required information, including the requirements in subsection (c) of this Section, to the Department. Failure by an applicant to submit all required information may result in the application being disqualified. Principal officers shall not be required to submit to the fingerprint and background check requirements of Section 5-20.
  - (g) If the Department receives an application that fails to provide the required elements contained in subsection (c), the Department shall issue a deficiency notice to the applicant. The applicant shall have 10 calendar days from the date of the deficiency notice to submit complete information. Applications that are still incomplete after this opportunity to cure may be disqualified.
    - (h) Once all required information and documents have been

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- submitted, the Department will review the application. The 1 2 Department may request revisions and retains final approval 3 over dispensary features. Once the application is complete and meets the Department's approval, the Department 5 conditionally approve the license. Final approval 6 contingent on the build-out and Department inspection.
  - (i) Upon submission of the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site application, the applicant shall request an inspection and the Department may inspect the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization's secondary site to confirm compliance with the application and this Act.
  - (j) The Department shall only issue an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site after the completion of a successful inspection.
  - (k) If an applicant passes the inspection under this Section, the Department shall issue the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site within 10 business days unless:
    - (1) the The licensee, any principal officer or board member of the licensee, or any person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the licensee is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois; or
    - (2) <u>the</u> The Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation determines there is reason, based on documented

- compliance violations, the licensee is not entitled to an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at its secondary site.
  - (1) Once the Department has issued a license, the dispensing organization shall notify the Department of the proposed opening date.
  - (m) A registered medical cannabis dispensing organization that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site may begin selling cannabis, cannabis-infused products, paraphernalia, and related items to purchasers under the rules of this Act no sooner than January 1, 2020.
  - (n) If there is a shortage of cannabis or cannabis-infused products, a dispensing organization holding both a dispensing organization license under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and this Article shall prioritize serving qualifying patients and caregivers before serving purchasers.
  - (o) An Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site is valid until March 31, 2021. A dispensing organization that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and inform the license holder that it may renew its Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site. The Department shall renew an Early Approval Adult Use

- Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site within 60 days of submission of the renewal application being deemed complete if:
  - (1) the dispensing organization submits an application and the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$30,000, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;
  - (2) the Department has not suspended or permanently revoked the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license held by the same person or entity for violating this Act or rules adopted under this Act or the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or rules adopted under that Act; and
  - (3) the dispensing organization has completed a Social Equity Inclusion Plan provided by paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of subsection (d) of this Section or has made substantial progress toward completing a Social Equity Inclusion Plan provided by paragraph (4) or (5) of subsection (d) of this Section.
  - (p) The Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licensee at a secondary site renewed pursuant to subsection (o) shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and that informs the license holder that it may apply for an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License on forms provided by the Department. The Department shall grant an Adult Use

- Dispensing Organization License within 60 days of an application being deemed complete if the applicant has meet all of the criteria in Section 15-36.
  - (q) If a dispensing organization fails to submit an application for renewal of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License or for an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License before the expiration dates provided in subsections (o) and (p) of this Section, the dispensing organization shall cease serving purchasers until it receives a renewal or an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
  - (r) A dispensing organization agent who holds a valid dispensing organization agent identification card issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and is an officer, director, manager, or employee of the dispensing organization licensed under this Section may engage in all activities authorized by this Article to be performed by a dispensing organization agent.
  - (s) If the Department suspends, permanently revokes, or otherwise disciplines the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License of a dispensing organization that also holds a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, the Department may consider the suspension, permanent revocation, or other discipline as grounds to take disciplinary action against the medical cannabis dispensing organization.

- 1 (t) All fees collected pursuant to this Section shall be
- 2 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund, unless otherwise
- 3 specified.
- 4 (u) On and after July 1, 2025, all dispensaries that were
- 5 previously issued an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 6 Organization at a secondary site license pursuant to this
- 7 Section shall be deemed to be a dispensary pursuant to Section
- 8 15-36 of this Act.
- 9 <u>(v) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2026.</u>
- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 11 revised 7-19-24.)
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/15-23 new)
- 13 Sec. 15-23. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- Organization at a secondary site license merger with Adult Use
- 15 Dispensing Organization license.
- 16 (a) On and after July 1, 2025, all dispensing
- organizations previously registered as an Early Approval Adult
- 18 Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site license shall
- 19 be a dispensing organization or a dispensary under this Act
- 20 and shall be an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License
- 21 holder under Section 15-36 of this Act.
- 22 (b) The BLS Region in which the dispensing organization
- 23 licensee's Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at
- 24 a secondary site license was originally issued shall be
- 25 considered the licensee's BLS Region. The dispensing

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- 2 license or licensee changes its ownership, is sold, is
- 3 relocated under Section 15-24 of this Act, or receives
- 4 authorization under subsection 7 (e-5) of Section 15-25
- 5 (410 ILCS 705/15-24 new)
- 6 <u>Sec. 15-24. Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licensee</u> 7 relocation.
  - (a) An Adult Use Dispensing Organization licensee may apply to relocate within the Licensee's specific BLS Region consistent with this Section. A request to relocate under this Section is subject to approval by the Department. An Adult Use Dispensing Organization's application to relocate its license under this Section shall be considered to be approved 30 days following the submission of a complete application to relocate, unless the request is sooner approved or denied in writing by the Department. If an application to relocate is denied, the Department shall provide, in writing, the specific reason for denial. An Adult Use Dispensing Organization may request to relocate under this Section only if:
    - (1) the Adult Use Dispensing Organization's existing location is within the boundaries of a unit of local government that prohibits the sale of adult use cannabis;
    - (2) the Adult Use Dispensing Organization has obtained the zoning approval of a new location by the municipality it currently operates in if the new location is within

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L	that same municipality, or if outside the boundaries of a
2	municipality in an unincorporated area of the county, the
3	zoning approval of a new location by the county where it
1	currently operates in if the new location is within the
5	same county, to move to a different location within that
5	unit of local government; or

- (3) the Adult Use Dispensing Organization has obtained the approval, as evidenced by a letter of intent or full zoning approval, to operate within the boundaries of a new unit of local government, so long as the new unit of local government is within the dispensing organization's specific BLS Region.
- 13 (b) The relocation of an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
  14 Licensee under this Section shall be subject to Sections 55-25
  15 and 55-28.
- 16 (410 ILCS 705/15-25)
- Sec. 15-25. Awarding of Conditional Adult Use Dispensing
  Organization Licenses prior to January 1, 2021.
- 19 (a) The Department shall issue up to 75 Conditional Adult 20 Use Dispensing Organization Licenses before May 1, 2020.
  - (b) The Department shall make the application for a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License available no later than October 1, 2019 and shall accept applications no later than January 1, 2020.
- 25 (c) To ensure the geographic dispersion of Conditional

- 1 Dispensing Organization License holders, the 2 following number of licenses shall be awarded in each BLS Region as determined by each region's percentage of the 3 State's population:
- (1) Bloomington: 1
- (2) Cape Girardeau: 1 6
- (3) Carbondale-Marion: 1 7
- 8 (4) Champaign-Urbana: 1
- 9 (5) Chicago-Naperville-Elgin: 47
- (6) Danville: 1 10
- 11 (7) Davenport-Moline-Rock Island: 1
- 12 (8) Decatur: 1
- (9) Kankakee: 1 13
- (10) Peoria: 3 14
- 15 (11) Rockford: 2
- 16 (12) St. Louis: 4
- 17 (13) Springfield: 1
- 18 (14) Northwest Illinois nonmetropolitan: 3
- 19 (15) West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 3
- 20 (16) East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 2
- 21 (17) South Illinois nonmetropolitan: 2
- 22 (d) An applicant seeking issuance of a Conditional Adult 23 Dispensing Organization License shall submit application on forms provided by the Department. An applicant 24
- 25 must meet the following requirements:
- 26 (1) Payment of a nonrefundable application fee of

1	\$5,000 for each license for which the applicant is
2	applying, which shall be deposited into the Cannabis
3	Regulation Fund;
4	(2) Certification that the applicant will comply with
5	the requirements contained in this Act;

- (3) The legal name of the proposed dispensing organization;
- (4) A statement that the dispensing organization agrees to respond to the Department's supplemental requests for information;
- (5) From each principal officer, a statement indicating whether that person:
  - (A) has previously held or currently holds an ownership interest in a cannabis business establishment in Illinois; or
  - (B) has held an ownership interest in a dispensing organization or its equivalent in another state or territory of the United States that had the dispensing organization registration or license suspended, revoked, placed on probationary status, or subjected to other disciplinary action;
- (6) Disclosure of whether any principal officer has ever filed for bankruptcy or defaulted on spousal support or child support obligation;
- (7) A resume for each principal officer, including whether that person has an academic degree, certification,

1	or relevant experience with a cannabis business
2	establishment or in a related industry;
3	(8) A description of the training and education that
4	will be provided to dispensing organization agents;
5	(9) A copy of the proposed operating bylaws;
6	(10) A copy of the proposed business plan that
7	complies with the requirements in this Act, including, at
8	a minimum, the following:
9	(A) A description of services to be offered; and
10	(B) A description of the process of dispensing
11	cannabis;
12	(11) A copy of the proposed security plan that
13	complies with the requirements in this Article, including:
14	(A) The process or controls that will be
15	implemented to monitor the dispensary, secure the
16	premises, agents, and currency, and prevent the
17	diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis; and
18	(B) The process to ensure that access to the
19	restricted access areas is restricted to, registered
20	agents, service professionals, transporting
21	organization agents, Department inspectors, and
22	security personnel;
23	(12) A proposed inventory control plan that complies
24	with this Section;
25	(13) A proposed floor plan, a square footage estimate,

and a description of proposed security devices, including,

without limitation, cameras, motion detectors, servers, video storage capabilities, and alarm service providers;

- (14) The name, address, social security number, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the dispensing organization; each of those individuals shall be at least 21 years of age;
- (15) Evidence of the applicant's status as a Social Equity Applicant, if applicable, and whether a Social Equity Applicant plans to apply for a loan or grant issued by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;
- (16) The address, telephone number, and email address of the applicant's principal place of business, if applicable. A post office box is not permitted;
- (17) Written summaries of any information regarding instances in which a business or not-for-profit that a prospective board member previously managed or served on were fined or censured, or any instances in which a business or not-for-profit that a prospective board member previously managed or served on had its registration suspended or revoked in any administrative or judicial proceeding;
  - (18) A plan for community engagement;
- (19) Procedures to ensure accurate recordkeeping and security measures that are in accordance with this Article and Department rules;
  - (20) The estimated volume of cannabis it plans to

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- (21) A description of the features that will provide accessibility to purchasers as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act;
  - (22) A detailed description of air treatment systems that will be installed to reduce odors;
  - (23) A reasonable assurance that the issuance of a license will not have a detrimental impact on the community in which the applicant wishes to locate;
    - (24) The dated signature of each principal officer;
  - (25) A description of the enclosed, locked facility where cannabis will be stored by the dispensing organization;
  - (26) Signed statements from each dispensing organization agent stating that he or she will not divert cannabis;
  - (27) The number of licenses it is applying for in each BLS Region;
  - (28) A diversity plan that includes a narrative of at least 2,500 words that establishes a goal of diversity in ownership, management, employment, and contracting to ensure that diverse participants and groups are afforded equality of opportunity;
  - (29) A contract with a private security contractor agency that is licensed under Section 10-5 of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint

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Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004 in order for the dispensary to have adequate security at its facility; and

- (30) Other information deemed necessary by the Illinois Cannabis Regulation Oversight Officer to conduct the disparity and availability study referenced in subsection (e) of Section 5-45.
- (e) An applicant who receives a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section has 180 days from the date of award to identify a physical location for the dispensing organization retail storefront. The applicant shall provide evidence that the location is not within 1,500 feet of an existing dispensing organization, unless the applicant is a Social Equity Applicant or Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant located or seeking to locate within 1,500 feet of a dispensing organization licensed under Section 15-15 or Section 15-20. If an applicant is unable to find a suitable physical address in the opinion of the Department within 180 days of the issuance of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the Department may extend the period for finding a physical address an additional 540 days if the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder demonstrates concrete attempts to secure a location and a hardship. If the Department denies the extension or the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder is unable to either find a location within 720 days of being awarded a conditional license and become operational within

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180 days thereafter, or become operational within 720 days of being awarded a conditional license, the Department may, considering the totality of the circumstances, rescind the conditional license. If the conditional license holder does not become operational within 365 days after having found a location, the Department may mandate a date by which the conditional license holder shall become operational prior to the Department rescinding the conditional license. If the Department rescinds shall rescind the conditional license, it may issue and award it to the next highest scoring applicant in the BLS Region for which the license was assigned, provided the applicant receiving the license: (i) confirms a continued interest in operating a dispensing organization; (ii) provide evidence that the applicant continues to meet all requirements for holding a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License set forth in this Act; and (iii) has not otherwise become ineligible to be awarded a dispensing organization license. If the new awardee is unable to accept the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the Department may issue shall award the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License to the next highest scoring applicant in the same manner. The new awardee shall be subject to the same required deadlines as provided in this subsection. (e-5) If, within 720 days of being awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a dispensing

organization is unable to find a location within the BLS

- Region in which it was awarded a Conditional Adult Use
  Dispensing Organization License because no jurisdiction within
  the BLS Region allows for the operation of an Adult Use
  Dispensing Organization, the Department of Financial and
  Professional Regulation may authorize the Conditional Adult
  Use Dispensing Organization License holder to transfer its
  License to a BLS Region specified by the Department.
  - (f) A dispensing organization that is awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License pursuant to the criteria in Section 15-30 shall not purchase, possess, sell, or dispense cannabis or cannabis-infused products until the person has received an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License issued by the Department pursuant to Section 15-36 of this Act.
  - (g) The Department shall conduct a background check of the prospective organization agents in order to carry out this Article. The Illinois State Police shall charge the applicant a fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check. Each person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed by law, filed in the Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau

- of Identification criminal history records databases. The
- 2 Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive
- 3 identification, all Illinois conviction information to the
- 4 Department.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21;
- 6 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.)
- 7 (410 ILCS 705/15-35)
- 8 Sec. 15-35. Qualifying Applicant Lottery for Conditional
- 9 Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses.
- 10 (a) In addition to any of the licenses issued under
- 11 Section 15-15, Section 15-20, Section 15-25, Section 15-30.20,
- or Section 15-35.10 of this Act, within 10 business days after
- 13 the resulting final scores for all scored applications
- 14 pursuant to Sections 15-25 and 15-30 are released, the
- 15 Department shall issue up to 55 Conditional Adult Use
- 16 Dispensing Organization Licenses by lot, pursuant to the
- 17 application process adopted under this Section. In order to be
- 18 eligible to be awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing
- 19 Organization License by lot under this Section, a Dispensary
- 20 Applicant must be a Qualifying Applicant.
- 21 The licenses issued under this Section shall be awarded in
- 22 each BLS Region in the following amounts:
- 23 (1) Bloomington: 1.
- 24 (2) Cape Girardeau: 1.
- 25 (3) Carbondale-Marion: 1.

- 1 (4) Champaign-Urbana: 1.
- 2 (5) Chicago-Naperville-Elgin: 36.
- 3 (6) Danville: 1.
- 4 (7) Davenport-Moline-Rock Island: 1.
- 5 (8) Decatur: 1.
- 6 (9) Kankakee: 1.
- 7 (10) Peoria: 2.
- 8 (11) Rockford: 1.
- 9 (12) St. Louis: 3.
- 10 (13) Springfield: 1.
- 11 (14) Northwest Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 12 (15) West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 13 (16) East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 14 (17) South Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 15 (a-5) Prior to issuing licenses under subsection (a), the
- 16 Department may adopt rules through emergency rulemaking in
- 17 accordance with subsection (kk) of Section 5-45 of the
- 18 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. The General Assembly
- 19 finds that the adoption of rules to regulate cannabis use is
- 20 deemed an emergency and necessary for the public interest,
- 21 safety, and welfare.
- 22 (b) The Department shall distribute the available licenses
- established under this Section subject to the following:
- 24 (1) The drawing by lot for all available licenses
- issued under this Section shall occur on the same day when
- 26 practicable.

- (2) Within each BLS Region, the first Qualifying Applicant drawn will have the first right to an available license. The second Qualifying Applicant drawn will have the second right to an available license. The same pattern will continue for each subsequent Qualifying Applicant drawn.
- (3) The process for distributing available licenses under this Section shall be recorded by the Department in a format selected by the Department.
- (4) A Dispensary Applicant is prohibited from becoming a Qualifying Applicant if a principal officer resigns after the resulting final scores for all scored applications pursuant to Sections 15-25 and 15-30 are released.
- (5) No Qualifying Applicant may be awarded more than 2 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses at the conclusion of a lottery conducted under this Section.
- (6) No individual may be listed as a principal officer of more than 2 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses awarded under this Section.
- (7) If, upon being selected for an available license established under this Section, a Qualifying Applicant exceeds the limits under paragraph (5) or (6), the Qualifying Applicant must choose which license to abandon and notify the Department in writing within 5 business days. If the Qualifying Applicant does not notify the

Department as required, the Department shall refuse to issue the Qualifying Applicant all available licenses established under this Section obtained by lot in all BLS Regions.

- (8) If, upon being selected for an available license established under this Section, a Qualifying Applicant has a principal officer who is a principal officer in more than 10 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, or any combination thereof, the licensees and the Qualifying Applicant listing that principal officer must choose which license to abandon pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 15-36 and notify the Department in writing within 5 business days. If the Qualifying Applicant or licensees do not notify the Department as required, the Department shall refuse to issue the Qualifying Applicant all available licenses established under this Section obtained by lot in all BLS Regions.
- (9) All available licenses that have been abandoned under paragraph (7) or (8) shall be distributed to the next Qualifying Applicant drawn by lot.
- Any and all rights conferred or obtained under this Section shall be limited to the provisions of this Section.
- (c) An applicant who receives a Conditional Adult Use
  Dispensing Organization License under this Section has 180

days from the date it is awarded to identify a physical 1 2 location for the dispensing organization's retail storefront. The applicant shall provide evidence that the location is not 3 within 1,500 feet of an existing dispensing organization, 5 unless the applicant is a Social Equity Applicant or Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant located or seeking to locate 6 7 within 1,500 feet of a dispensing organization licensed under Section 15-15 or Section 15-20. If an applicant is unable to 8 9 find a suitable physical address in the opinion of the 10 Department within 180 days from the issuance the 11 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the 12 Department may extend the period for finding a physical 13 address an additional 540 days if the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder demonstrates a concrete 14 15 attempt to secure a location and a hardship. If the Department 16 denies the extension or the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 17 Organization License holder is unable to either find a location within 720 days of being awarded a conditional 18 19 license and become operational within 180 days thereafter, or 20 become operational within 720 days of being awarded a 21 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under 22 this Section, the Department may, considering the totality of the circumstances, rescind the conditional license. If the 23 conditional license holder does not become operational within 24 25 365 days after having found a location, the Department may mandate a date by which the conditional license holder shall 26

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become operational prior to the Department rescinding the conditional license. If the Department rescinds shall rescind the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, it may issue and award it pursuant to subsection (b), provided the applicant receiving the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License: (i) confirms a continued interest in operating a dispensing organization; (ii) can provide evidence that the applicant continues to meet all requirements for holding a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License set forth in this Act; and (iii) has not otherwise become ineligible to be awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License. If the new awardee is unable to accept the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the Department may issue shall award the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License pursuant subsection (b). The new conditional license holder awardee shall be subject to the same required deadlines as provided in this subsection.

(d) If, within 720 days of being awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a dispensing organization is unable to find a location within the BLS Region in which it was awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License because no jurisdiction within the BLS Region allows for the operation of an Adult Use Dispensing Organization, the Department may authorize the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder

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- to transfer its Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization
  License to a BLS Region specified by the Department.
  - (e) A dispensing organization that is awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section shall not purchase, possess, sell, or dispense cannabis or cannabis-infused products until the dispensing organization has received an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License issued by the Department pursuant to Section 15-36.
  - (f) The Department shall conduct a background check of the prospective dispensing organization agents in order to carry out this Article. The Illinois State Police shall charge the applicant a fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check. Each person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed by law, filed with the Illinois State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases. The Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive identification, all Illinois conviction information to the Department.
    - (g) The Department may verify information contained in each application and accompanying documentation to assess the

- applicant's veracity and fitness to operate a dispensing organization.
  - (h) The Department may, in its discretion, refuse to issue authorization to an applicant who meets any of the following criteria:
    - (1) An applicant who is unqualified to perform the duties required of the applicant.
    - (2) An applicant who fails to disclose or states falsely any information called for in the application.
    - (3) An applicant who has been found guilty of a violation of this Act, who has had any disciplinary order entered against the applicant by the Department, who has entered into a disciplinary or nondisciplinary agreement with the Department, whose medical cannabis dispensing organization, medical cannabis cultivation organization, Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site, Early Approval Cultivation Center License, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License was suspended, restricted, revoked, or denied for just cause, or whose cannabis business establishment license was suspended, restricted, revoked, or denied in any other state.
    - (4) An applicant who has engaged in a pattern or practice of unfair or illegal practices, methods, or

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- activities in the conduct of owning a cannabis business establishment or other business.
  - (i) The Department shall deny issuance of a license under this Section if any principal officer, board member, or person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the licensee is delinquent in filing any required tax return or paying any amount owed to the State of Illinois.
  - (j) The Department shall verify an applicant's compliance with the requirements of this Article and rules adopted under this Article before issuing a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section.
  - (k) If an applicant is awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section, information and plans provided in the application, including any plans submitted for bonus points, shall become a condition of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License and any Adult Use Dispensing Organization License issued to holder of the Conditional Adult t.he Use Dispensing Organization License, except as otherwise provided by this Act or by rule. A dispensing organization has a duty to disclose any material changes to the application. The Department shall review all material changes disclosed by the dispensing organization and may reevaluate its prior decision regarding Conditional awarding of a Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, including, but not limited suspending or permanently revoking a Conditional Adult Use

- Dispensing Organization License. Failure to comply with the conditions or requirements in the application may subject the dispensing organization to discipline up to and including suspension or permanent revocation of its authorization or Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License by the Department.
- 7 (1)Ιf an applicant has not begun operating as 8 dispensing organization within one year after the issuance of 9 the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 10 under this Section, the Department may permanently revoke the 11 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License and 12 award it to the next highest scoring applicant in the BLS 13 Region if a suitable applicant indicates a continued interest in the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 14 15 or may begin a new selection process to award a Conditional 16 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.)
- 18 (410 ILCS 705/15-35.10)

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- 19 Sec. 15-35.10. Social Equity Justice Involved Lottery for 20 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses.
  - (a) In addition to any of the licenses issued under Section 15-15, Section 15-20, Section 15-25, Section 15-30.20, or Section 15-35, within 10 business days after the resulting final scores for all scored applications pursuant to Sections 15-25 and 15-30 are released, the Department shall issue up to

- 1 55 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses by
- lot, pursuant to the application process adopted under this
- 3 Section. In order to be eligible to be awarded a Conditional
- 4 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License by lot, a Dispensary
- 5 Applicant must be a Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved
- 6 Applicant.
- 7 The licenses issued under this Section shall be awarded in
- 8 each BLS Region in the following amounts:
- 9 (1) Bloomington: 1.
- 10 (2) Cape Girardeau: 1.
- 11 (3) Carbondale-Marion: 1.
- 12 (4) Champaign-Urbana: 1.
- 13 (5) Chicago-Naperville-Elgin: 36.
- 14 (6) Danville: 1.
- 15 (7) Davenport-Moline-Rock Island: 1.
- 16 (8) Decatur: 1.
- 17 (9) Kankakee: 1.
- 18 (10) Peoria: 2.
- 19 (11) Rockford: 1.
- 20 (12) St. Louis: 3.
- 21 (13) Springfield: 1.
- 22 (14) Northwest Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 23 (15) West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 24 (16) East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 25 (17) South Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- 26 (a-5) Prior to issuing licenses under subsection (a), the

- Department may adopt rules through emergency rulemaking in accordance with subsection (kk) of Section 5-45 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. The General Assembly finds that the adoption of rules to regulate cannabis use is deemed an emergency and necessary for the public interest, safety, and welfare.
  - (b) The Department shall distribute the available licenses established under this Section subject to the following:
    - (1) The drawing by lot for all available licenses established under this Section shall occur on the same day when practicable.
    - (2) Within each BLS Region, the first Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant drawn will have the first right to an available license. The second Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant drawn will have the second right to an available license. The same pattern will continue for each subsequent applicant drawn.
    - (3) The process for distributing available licenses under this Section shall be recorded by the Department in a format selected by the Department.
    - (4) A Dispensary Applicant is prohibited from becoming a Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant if a principal officer resigns after the resulting final scores for all scored applications pursuant to Sections 15-25 and 15-30 are released.

- (5) No Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant may be awarded more than 2 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses at the conclusion of a lottery conducted under this Section.
  - (6) No individual may be listed as a principal officer of more than 2 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses awarded under this Section.
  - established under this Section, a Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant exceeds the limits under paragraph (5) or (6), the Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant must choose which license to abandon and notify the Department in writing within 5 business days on forms prescribed by the Department. If the Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant does not notify the Department as required, the Department shall refuse to issue the Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant does not notify the Department as required, the Department shall refuse to issue the Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant all available licenses established under this Section obtained by lot in all BLS Regions.
  - (8) If, upon being selected for an available license established under this Section, a Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant has a principal officer who is a principal officer in more than 10 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, and thereof, the

licensees and the Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant listing that principal officer must choose which license to abandon pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 15-36 and notify the Department in writing within 5 business days on forms prescribed by the Department. If the Dispensary Applicant or licensees do not notify the Department as required, the Department shall refuse to issue the Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant all available licenses established under this Section obtained by lot in all BLS Regions.

(9) All available licenses that have been abandoned under paragraph (7) or (8) shall be distributed to the next Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant drawn by lot.

Any and all rights conferred or obtained under this subsection shall be limited to the provisions of this subsection.

(c) An applicant who receives a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section has 180 days from the date of the award to identify a physical location for the dispensing organization's retail storefront. The applicant shall provide evidence that the location is not within 1,500 feet of an existing dispensing organization, unless the applicant is a Social Equity Applicant or Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant located or seeking to locate within 1,500 feet of a dispensing organization licensed under

Section 15-15 or Section 15-20. If an applicant is unable to 1 2 find a suitable physical address in the opinion of Department within 180 days from the issuance 3 of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, 5 Department may extend the period for finding a physical 6 address an additional 540 days if the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder demonstrates a concrete 7 8 attempt to secure a location and a hardship. If the Department 9 denies the extension or the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 10 Organization License holder is unable to either find a 11 location within 720 days and become operational within 180 12 days thereafter, or become operational within 720 days of 13 being awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization 14 License under this Section, the Department may, considering the totality of the circumstances, rescind the conditional 15 license. If the conditional license holder does not become 16 17 operational within 365 days after having found a location, the Department may mandate a date by which the conditional license 18 holder shall become operational prior to the Department 19 20 rescinding the conditional license. If the Department rescinds <del>shall rescind</del> 21 the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 22 Organization License, it may issue and award it pursuant to 23 subsection (b) and notify the new awardee at the email address provided in the awardee's application, provided the applicant 24 25 receiving the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization 26 License: (i) confirms a continued interest in operating a

dispensing organization; (ii) can provide evidence that the applicant continues to meet all requirements for holding a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License set forth in this Act; and (iii) has not otherwise become ineligible to be awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License. If the new awardee is unable to accept the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the Department <a href="may issue shall award">may issue shall award</a> the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the Dispensing Organization License pursuant to subsection (b). The new <a href="may conditional license holder">conditional license holder</a> <a href="may awardee">awardee</a> shall be subject to the same required deadlines as provided in this subsection.

- (d) If, within 720 180 days of being awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a dispensing organization is unable to find a location within the BLS Region in which it was awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section because no jurisdiction within the BLS Region allows for the operation of an Adult Use Dispensing Organization, the Department may authorize the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder to transfer its Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License to a BLS Region specified by the Department.
- (e) A dispensing organization that is awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section shall not purchase, possess, sell, or dispense cannabis or cannabis-infused products until the dispensing

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- organization has received an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License issued by the Department pursuant to Section 15-36.
  - (f) The Department shall conduct a background check of the prospective dispensing organization agents in order to carry out this Article. The Illinois State Police shall charge the applicant a fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check. Each person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed by law, filed with the Illinois State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases. The Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive identification, all Illinois conviction information to the Department.
    - (g) The Department may verify information contained in each application and accompanying documentation to assess the applicant's veracity and fitness to operate a dispensing organization.
  - (h) The Department may, in its discretion, refuse to issue an authorization to an applicant who meets any of the following criteria:
- 26 (1) An applicant who is unqualified to perform the

duties required of the applicant.

- (2) An applicant who fails to disclose or states falsely any information called for in the application.
- (3) An applicant who has been found guilty of a violation of this Act, who has had any disciplinary order entered against the applicant by the Department, who has entered into a disciplinary or nondisciplinary agreement with the Department, whose medical cannabis dispensing organization, medical cannabis cultivation organization, Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site, Early Approval Cultivation Center License, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License was suspended, restricted, revoked, or denied for just cause, or whose cannabis business establishment license was suspended, restricted, revoked, or denied in any other state.
- (4) An applicant who has engaged in a pattern or practice of unfair or illegal practices, methods, or activities in the conduct of owning a cannabis business establishment or other business.
- (i) The Department shall deny the license if any principal officer, board member, or person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the licensee is delinquent in filing any required tax return or paying any amount owed to the

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- 1 State of Illinois.
  - (j) The Department shall verify an applicant's compliance with the requirements of this Article and rules adopted under this Article before issuing a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
- 6 (k) If an applicant is awarded a Conditional Adult Use 7 Dispensing Organization License under this Section, 8 information and plans provided in the application, including 9 any plans submitted for bonus points, shall become a condition 10 of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 11 and any Adult Use Dispensing Organization License issued to 12 the holder of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 13 Organization License, except as otherwise provided by this Act or by rule. Dispensing organizations have a duty to disclose 14 15 any material changes to the application. The Department shall 16 review all material changes disclosed by the dispensing 17 organization and may reevaluate its prior decision regarding of Conditional Adult 18 the awarding а Use Dispensing 19 Organization License, including, but not limited 20 suspending or permanently revoking a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License. Failure to comply with the 21 22 conditions or requirements in the application may subject the 23 dispensing organization to discipline up to and including suspension or permanent revocation of its authorization or 24 25 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License by the 26 Department.

applicant has not begun operating as 1 (1)2 dispensing organization within one year after the issuance of 3 the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section, the Department may permanently revoke the 4 5 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License and award it to the next highest scoring applicant in the BLS 6 Region if a suitable applicant indicates a continued interest 7 8 in the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 9 or may begin a new selection process to award a Conditional 10 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.

(Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.)

12 (410 ILCS 705/15-36)

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- 13 Sec. 15-36. Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
- (a) A person is only eligible to receive or hold an Adult 14 15 Use Dispensing Organization License if the person has been 16 issued awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License pursuant to this Act or its administrative rules, was 17 18 issued an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization 19 20 License at a Secondary Site, or was a registered medical 21 dispensing organization as defined under the Compassionate Use 22 of Medical Cannabis Act or has renewed its license pursuant 23 subsection (k) of Section 15-15 or subsection (p) of Section  $\frac{15-20}{1}$ . 24
  - (a-5) Beginning July 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations

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registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 1 2 Program Act and Sections 15-15 and 15-20 of this Act shall be a dispensing organization or a dispensary as those terms are 3 4 defined in this Act and shall be an Adult Use Dispensing 5 Organization License holder under this Section. Beginning July 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations registered under the 6 7 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and Sections 15-15 and 15-20 of this Act shall have the same rights, 8 9 privileges, duties, and responsibilities of dispensing 10 organizations licensed pursuant to this Section and shall be 11 subject to any administrative rules adopted under this Act. 12 (a-10) In addition to selling cannabis and 13 cannabis-infused products to persons 21 years of age or older, 14 beginning July 1, 2025, but no later than October 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations licensed pursuant to this Act shall 15 16 also offer cannabis and cannabis-infused products for sale to 17 registered qualifying patients, provisional patients, and 18 designated caregivers. 19

- (a-15) By October 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations licensed under Section 15-36 shall pay the fee under subsection (d) of Section 15-13 of this Act or shall have entered into an approved payment plan with the Department to pay the fee.
- 24 (b) The Department shall not issue an Adult Use Dispensing 25 Organization License until:
  - (1) the Department has inspected the dispensary site

and proposed operations and verified that they are in compliance with this Act and local zoning laws;

- (2) the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder has paid a license fee of \$70,000 \$60,000 or a prorated amount accounting for the difference of time between when the Adult Use Dispensing Organization License is issued and March 31 of the next even-numbered year; \$60,000 (or the proportional prorated amount paid) of the fee shall be remitted into the Cannabis Regulation Fund, and \$10,000 (or the proportional prorated amount paid) of the fee shall be remitted into the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund; and
- (3) the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder has met all the requirements in this Act and rules.
- (c) No person or entity shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, of more than 10 dispensing organizations licensed under this Article. Further, no person or entity that is:
  - (1) employed by, is an agent of, or participates in the management of a dispensing organization or registered medical cannabis dispensing organization;
  - (2) a principal officer of a dispensing organization or registered medical cannabis dispensing organization; or
  - (3) an entity controlled by or affiliated with a principal officer of a dispensing organization or

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registered medical cannabis dispensing organization; 1 2 shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, in a dispensing organization 3 that would result in such person or entity owning or 5 participating in the management of more than 10 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Early Approval 6 7 Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses at a secondary 8 site, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, 9 or Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses. For the purpose 10 of this subsection, participating in management may include, 11 without limitation, controlling decisions regarding staffing, 12 pricing, purchasing, marketing, store design, hiring, and 13 website design.

(d) The Department shall deny an application if granting that application would result in a person or entity obtaining direct or indirect financial interest in more than 10 Early Adult Use Dispensing Organization Approval Licenses, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, or any combination thereof. If a person or entity is awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License that would cause the person or entity to be in violation of this subsection, he, she, or it shall choose which license application it wants to abandon and such licenses shall become available to the next qualified applicant in the region in which the abandoned license was awarded.

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- 1 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 2 revised 7-19-24.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 705/15-40)
- 4 Sec. 15-40. Dispensing organization agent identification
- 5 card; agent training.
- 6 (a) The Department shall:
- 7 (1) verify the information contained in an application renewal for dispensing organization agent 8 or а 9 identification card submitted under this Article, and 10 approve or deny an application or renewal, within 30 days 11 of receiving а completed application or renewal 12 application and all supporting documentation required by 1.3 rule:
  - (2) issue a dispensing organization agent identification card to a qualifying agent within 15 business days of approving the application or renewal;
    - (3) enter the registry identification number of the dispensing organization where the agent works;
    - (4) within one year from the effective date of this Act, allow for an electronic application process and provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that an application has been submitted; and
  - (5) collect a \$100 nonrefundable fee from the applicant to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund.

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- 1 (b) A dispensing organization agent must keep his or her 2 identification card visible at all times when in the 3 dispensary.
  - (c) The dispensing organization agent identification cards shall contain the following:
    - (1) the name of the cardholder;
    - (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the dispensing organization agent identification cards;
      - (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 letters that is unique to the cardholder; and
- 12 (4) a photograph of the cardholder.
  - (d) The dispensing organization agent identification cards shall be immediately returned to the dispensing organization upon termination of employment.
  - (e) The Department shall not issue an agent identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois.
  - (f) Any card lost by a dispensing organization agent shall be reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department immediately upon discovery of the loss.
  - (g) An applicant shall be denied a dispensing organization agent identification card renewal if he or she fails to complete the training provided for in this Section.
  - (h) A dispensing organization agent shall only be required to hold one card for the same employer regardless of what type

- of dispensing organization license the employer holds.
  - (i) Cannabis retail sales training requirements.
    - (1) Within 90 days of September 1, 2019, or 90 days of employment, whichever is later, all owners, managers, employees, and agents involved in the handling or sale of cannabis or cannabis-infused product employed by an adult use dispensing organization or medical cannabis dispensing organization as defined in Section 10 of the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall attend and successfully complete a Responsible Vendor Program.
    - (2) Each owner, manager, employee, and agent of an adult use dispensing organization or medical cannabis dispensing organization shall successfully complete the program annually.
    - (3) Responsible Vendor Program Training modules shall include at least 2 hours of instruction time approved by the Department including:
      - (i) Health and safety concerns of cannabis use, including the responsible use of cannabis, its physical effects, onset of physiological effects, recognizing signs of impairment, and appropriate responses in the event of overconsumption.
      - (ii) Training on laws and regulations on driving while under the influence and operating a watercraft or snowmobile while under the influence.
        - (iii) Sales to minors prohibition. Training shall

1	cover all relevant lillings laws and rules.
2	(iv) Quantity limitations on sales to purchasers.
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4	rules.
5	(v) Acceptable forms of identification. Training
6	shall include:
7	(I) How to check identification; and
8	(II) Common mistakes made in verification;
9	(vi) Safe storage of cannabis;
10	(vii) Compliance with all inventory tracking
11	system regulations;
12	(viii) Waste handling, management, and disposal;
13	(ix) Health and safety standards;
14	(x) Maintenance of records;
15	(xi) Security and surveillance requirements;
16	(xii) Permitting inspections by State and local
17	licensing and enforcement authorities;
18	(xiii) Privacy issues, including, but not limited
19	to, the safe storage and handling of confidential
20	information such as qualifying patient information;
21	(xiv) Packaging and labeling requirement for sales
22	to purchasers; <del>and</del>
23	(xv) Prioritizing the needs of a qualifying
24	patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver;
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26	(xvi) Other areas as determined by rule.

- 1 (j) Blank.
- 2 (k) Upon the successful completion of the Responsible
  3 Vendor Program, the provider shall deliver proof of completion
  4 either through mail or electronic communication to the
  5 dispensing organization, which shall retain a copy of the
  6 certificate.
  - (1) The license of a dispensing organization or medical cannabis dispensing organization whose owners, managers, employees, or agents fail to comply with this Section may be suspended or permanently revoked under Section 15-145 or may face other disciplinary action.
  - (m) The regulation of dispensing organization and medical cannabis dispensing employer and employee training is an exclusive function of the State, and regulation by a unit of local government, including a home rule unit, is prohibited. This subsection (m) is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.
  - (n) Persons seeking Department approval to offer the training required by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) may apply for such approval between August 1 and August 15 of each odd-numbered year in a manner prescribed by the Department.
  - (o) Persons seeking Department approval to offer the training required by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) shall submit a nonrefundable application fee of \$2,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund or a fee as may be

- set by rule. Any changes made to the training module shall be approved by the Department.
  - (p) The Department shall not unreasonably deny approval of a training module that meets all the requirements of paragraph(3) of subsection (i). A denial of approval shall include a detailed description of the reasons for the denial.
    - (q) Any person approved to provide the training required by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) shall submit an application for re-approval between August 1 and August 15 of each odd-numbered year and include a nonrefundable application fee of \$2,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund or a fee as may be set by rule.
    - (r) All persons applying to become or renewing their registrations to be agents, including agents-in-charge and principal officers, shall disclose any disciplinary action taken against them that may have occurred in Illinois, another state, or another country in relation to their employment at a cannabis business establishment or at any cannabis cultivation center, processor, infuser, dispensary, or other cannabis business establishment.
    - (s) An agent applicant may begin employment at a dispensing organization while the agent applicant's identification card application is pending. Upon approval, the Department shall issue the agent's identification card to the agent. If denied, the dispensing organization and the agent applicant shall be notified and the agent applicant must cease

- 1 all activity at the dispensing organization immediately.
- 2 (t) Beginning July 1, 2025, all dispensing organization
- 3 agents registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical
- 4 Cannabis Program Act shall, subject to the agent being in good
- 5 standing with all licensing requirements, be deemed to be an
- 6 agent under this Act. The Department shall issue all agents
- 7 previously registered as an agent under the Compassionate Use
- 8 of Medical Cannabis Program Act a new license number at the
- 9 time of their first renewal on or after July 1, 2025.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 11 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 12 5-13-22.)
- 13 (410 ILCS 705/15-45)
- 14 Sec. 15-45. Renewal.
- 15 (a) Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses shall
- expire on March 31 of even-numbered years.
- 17 (b) Agent identification cards shall expire one year from
- 18 the date they are issued.
- 19 (c) Licensees and dispensing agents shall submit a renewal
- 20 application as provided by the Department and pay the required
- 21 renewal fee. The Department shall require an agent, employee,
- 22 contracting, and subcontracting diversity report and an
- 23 environmental impact report with its renewal application. No
- license or agent identification card shall be renewed if it is
- 25 currently under revocation or suspension for violation of this

- 1 Article or any rules that may be adopted under this Article or
- the licensee, principal officer, board member, person having a
- 3 financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the licensee,
- 4 or agent is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or
- 5 paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois.
  - (d) Renewal fees are:
- 7 (1) For a dispensing organization, \$60,000, to be
- 8 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund; and \$10,000
- 9 to be deposited into Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- 10 Fund.

- 11 (2) For an agent identification card, \$100, to be
- deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund.
- 13 (e) If a dispensing organization fails to renew its
- 14 license before expiration, the dispensing organization shall
- cease operations until the license is renewed.
- 16 (f) If a dispensing organization agent fails to renew his
- or her registration before its expiration, he or she shall
- 18 cease to perform duties authorized by this Article at a
- 19 dispensing organization until his or her registration is
- 20 renewed.
- 21 (g) Any dispensing organization that continues to operate
- 22 or dispensing agent that continues to perform duties
- 23 authorized by this Article at a dispensing organization that
- fails to renew its license is subject to penalty as provided in
- 25 this Article, or any rules that may be adopted pursuant to this
- 26 Article.

- 1 (h) The Department shall not renew a license if the
  2 applicant is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or
  3 paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois. The
  4 Department shall not renew a dispensing agent identification
  5 card if the applicant is delinquent in filing any required tax
  6 returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 8 (410 ILCS 705/15-60)
- 9 Sec. 15-60. Changes to a dispensing organization.
- 10 A Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization (a) 11 License may not be sold, transferred, assigned, or used as 12 collateral, and the organization holding the license may not 13 add new principal officers to its ownership structure or change its ownership structure. Notwithstanding the foregoing, 14 15 this prohibition does not preclude third parties who are not 16 registered as principal officers from investing in, lending to, or otherwise providing capital to the Conditional Adult 17 18 Use Dispensing Organization License holder. Pursuant to this subsection, third parties are not required to register as 19 20 principal officers of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 21 Organization License holder so long as any third party 22 interest cannot be realized or otherwise vest until the 23 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder 24 is issued a corresponding Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under Section 15-36. In order to realize that interest 25

- or have the interest vest, all third parties are subject to the
- 2 Department's approval processes in this Section, either
- 3 through the sale or transfer of the Adult Use Dispensing
- 4 Organization License to the third party or through the third
- 5 party's registration and approval as principal officer to the
- 6 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder.
- 7 (a-5) A license shall be issued to the specific dispensing
- 8 organization identified on the application and for the
- 9 specific location proposed. The license is valid only as
- designated on the license and for the location for which it is
- 11 issued.
- 12 (b) A dispensing organization may only add principal
- officers after being approved by the Department.
- 14 (c) A dispensing organization shall provide written notice
- of the removal of a principal officer within 5 business days
- 16 after removal. The notice shall include the written agreement
- of the principal officer being removed, unless otherwise
- approved by the Department, and allocation of ownership shares
- 19 after removal in an updated ownership chart.
- 20 (d) A dispensing organization shall provide a written
- 21 request to the Department for the addition of principal
- 22 officers. A dispensing organization shall submit proposed
- 23 principal officer applications on forms approved by the
- 24 Department.
- 25 (e) All proposed new principal officers shall be subject
- 26 to the requirements of this Act, this Article, and any rules

- 1 that may be adopted pursuant to this Act.
  - (f) The Department may prohibit the addition of a principal officer to a dispensing organization for failure to comply with this Act, this Article, and any rules that may be adopted pursuant to this Act.
    - (g) A dispensing organization may not assign a license.
    - (h) A dispensing organization may not transfer a license without prior Department approval. Such approval may be withheld if the person to whom the license is being transferred does not commit to the same or a similar community engagement plan provided as part of the dispensing organization's application under paragraph (18) of subsection (d) of Section 15-25, and such transferee's license shall be conditional upon that commitment.
    - (i) With the addition or removal of principal officers, the Department will review the ownership structure to determine whether the change in ownership has had the effect of a transfer of the license. The dispensing organization shall supply all ownership documents requested by the Department.
    - (j) A dispensing organization may apply to the Department to approve a sale of the dispensing organization. A request to sell the dispensing organization must be on application forms provided by the Department. A request for an approval to sell a dispensing organization must comply with the following:
      - (1) New application materials shall comply with this

Act and any rules that may be adopted pursuant to this Act;

- (2) Application materials shall include a change of ownership fee of \$5,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;
- (3) The application materials shall provide proof that the transfer of ownership will not have the effect of granting any of the owners or principal officers direct or indirect ownership or control of more than 10 adult use dispensing organization licenses;
- (4) New principal officers shall each complete the proposed new principal officer application;
- (5) If the Department approves the application materials and proposed new principal officer applications, it will perform an inspection before approving the sale and issuing the dispensing organization license;
- (6) If a new license is approved, the Department will issue a new license number and certificate to the new dispensing organization.
- (k) The dispensing organization shall provide the Department with the personal information for all new dispensing organizations agents as required in this Article and all new dispensing organization agents shall be subject to the requirements of this Article. A dispensing organization agent must obtain an agent identification card from the Department before beginning work at a dispensary.
  - (1) Before remodeling, expansion, reduction, or other

- 1 physical, noncosmetic alteration of a dispensary, the
- dispensing organization must notify the Department and confirm
- 3 the alterations are in compliance with this Act and any rules
- 4 that may be adopted pursuant to this Act.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 6 (410 ILCS 705/15-65)
- 7 Sec. 15-65. Administration.
- 8 (a) A dispensing organization shall establish, maintain,
- 9 and comply with written policies and procedures as submitted
- in the Business, Financial and Operating plan as required in
- 11 this Article or by rules established by the Department, and
- 12 approved by the Department, for the security, storage,
- inventory, and distribution of cannabis. These policies and
- 14 procedures shall include methods for identifying, recording,
- and reporting diversion, theft, or loss, and for correcting
- 16 errors and inaccuracies in inventories. At a minimum,
- 17 dispensing organizations shall ensure the written policies and
- 18 procedures provide for the following:
- 19 (1) Mandatory and voluntary recalls of cannabis
- 20 products. The policies shall be adequate to deal with
- 21 recalls due to any action initiated at the request of the
- Department and any voluntary action by the dispensing
- 23 organization to remove defective or potentially defective
- 24 cannabis from the market or any action undertaken to
- 25 promote public health and safety, including:

1	(i) A mechanism reasonably calculated to contact
2	purchasers who have, or likely have, obtained the
3	product from the dispensary, including information on
4	the policy for return of the recalled product;
5	(ii) A mechanism to identify and contact the adult
6	use cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser that
7	manufactured the cannabis;
8	(iii) Policies for communicating with the
9	Department, the Department of Agriculture, and the
10	Department of Public Health within 24 hours of
11	discovering defective or potentially defective
12	cannabis; and
13	(iv) Policies for destruction of any recalled
14	cannabis product;
15	(2) Responses to local, State, or national
16	emergencies, including natural disasters, that affect the
17	security or operation of a dispensary;
18	(3) Segregation and destruction of outdated, damaged,
19	deteriorated, misbranded, or adulterated cannabis. This
20	procedure shall provide for written documentation of the
21	cannabis disposition;
22	(4) Ensure the oldest stock of a cannabis product is
23	distributed first. The procedure may permit deviation from
24	this requirement, if such deviation is temporary and
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(5) Training of dispensing organization agents in the

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provisions of this Act and rules, to effectively operate the point-of-sale system and the State's verification system, proper inventory handling and tracking, specific uses of cannabis or cannabis-infused products, instruction regarding regulatory inspection preparedness and enforcement interaction, awareness of the requirements for maintaining status as an agent, and other topics as specified by the dispensing organization or the Department. The dispensing organization shall maintain evidence of all training provided to each agent in its files that is subject to inspection and audit by the Department. The dispensing organization shall agents receive a minimum of 8 hours of training subject to requirements in subsection (i) of Section 15-40 annually, unless otherwise approved by the Department;

- (6) Maintenance of business records consistent with industry standards, including bylaws, consents, manual or computerized records of assets and liabilities, audits, monetary transactions, journals, ledgers, and supporting documents, including agreements, checks, invoices, receipts, and vouchers. Records shall be maintained in a manner consistent with this Act and shall be retained for 5 years;
  - (7) Inventory control, including:
    - (i) Tracking purchases and denials of sale;
  - (ii) Disposal of unusable or damaged cannabis as

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- 2 (8) Purchaser education and support, including:
- 3 (i) Whether possession of cannabis is illegal
  4 under federal law;
  - (ii) Current educational information issued by the Department of Public Health about the health risks associated with the use or abuse of cannabis;
    - (iii) Information about possible side effects;
- 9 (iv) Prohibition on smoking cannabis in public 10 places; and
- 11 (v) Offering any other appropriate purchaser 12 education or support materials.
- 13 (b) Blank.
  - (c) A dispensing organization shall maintain copies of the policies and procedures on the dispensary premises and provide copies to the Department upon request. The dispensing organization shall review the dispensing organization policies and procedures at least once every 12 months from the issue date of the license and update as needed due to changes in industry standards or as requested by the Department.
  - (d) A dispensing organization shall ensure that each principal officer and each dispensing organization agent has a current agent identification card in the agent's immediate possession when the agent is at the dispensary.
  - (e) A dispensing organization shall provide prompt written notice to the Department, including the date of the event,

- when a dispensing organization agent no longer is employed by the dispensing organization.
  - (f) A dispensing organization shall promptly document and report any loss or theft of cannabis from the dispensary to the Illinois State Police and the Department. It is the duty of any dispensing organization agent who becomes aware of the loss or theft to report it as provided in this Article.
  - (g) A dispensing organization shall post the following information in a conspicuous location in an area of the dispensary accessible to consumers:
    - (1) The dispensing organization's license;
- 12 (2) The hours of operation.
  - (h) Signage that shall be posted inside the premises.
    - (1) All dispensing organizations must display a placard that states the following: "Cannabis consumption can impair cognition and driving, is for adult use only, may be habit forming, and should not be used by pregnant or breastfeeding women.".
    - (2) Any dispensing organization that sells edible cannabis-infused products must display a placard that states the following:
      - (A) "Edible cannabis-infused products were produced in a kitchen that may also process common food allergens."; and
      - (B) "The effects of cannabis products can vary from person to person, and it can take as long as two

hours to feel the effects of some cannabis-infused products. Carefully review the portion size information and warnings contained on the product packaging before consuming.".

- (3) All of the required signage in this subsection (h) shall be no smaller than 24 inches tall by 36 inches wide, with typed letters no smaller than 2 inches. The signage shall be clearly visible and readable by customers. The signage shall be placed in the area where cannabis and cannabis-infused products are sold and may be translated into additional languages as needed. The Department may require a dispensary to display the required signage in a different language, other than English, if the Secretary deems it necessary.
- (i) A dispensing organization shall prominently post notices inside the dispensing organization that state activities that are strictly prohibited and punishable by law, including, but not limited to:
  - (1) no minors permitted on the premises unless the minor is a minor qualifying patient under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act;
  - (2) distribution to persons under the age of 21 is prohibited;
- 24 (3) transportation of cannabis or cannabis products 25 across state lines is prohibited.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;

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- 1 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 2 (410 ILCS 705/15-70)
- 3 Sec. 15-70. Operational requirements; prohibitions.
- 4 (a) A dispensing organization shall operate in accordance 5 with the representations made in its application and license 6 materials. It shall be in compliance with this Act and rules.
- (b) Beginning July 1, 2025, but no later than October 1, 7 8 2025, all dispensaries shall have a patient prioritization plan demonstrating that the dispensary is prioritizing 9 10 qualifying patients, provisional patients, and dedicated 11 caregivers. Prioritization may include, but is not limited to, 12 the following: a dedicated service line for patients or 13 caregivers; a dedicated time of the day for patients or caregivers, so long as the dispensary remains open at all 14 15 other hours of operation to serve patients and caregivers; and 16 a dedicated register for patients or caregivers A dispensing organization must include the legal name of the dispensary on 17 18 the packaging of any cannabis product it sells.
  - (c) All cannabis, cannabis-infused products, and cannabis seeds must be obtained from an Illinois registered adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, or another dispensary.
- 23 <u>(c-5) A dispensing organization may sell cannabis and</u>
  24 <u>cannabis-infused products purchased from any cultivation</u>
  25 <u>center, craft grower, infuser, or other dispensary to persons</u>

## over 21 years of age and to qualifying patients, designated caregivers, and provisional patients.

- (d) Dispensing organizations are prohibited from selling any product containing alcohol except tinctures, which must be limited to containers that are no larger than 100 milliliters.
- (e) A dispensing organization shall inspect and count product received from a transporting organization, adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser organization, or other dispensing organization before dispensing it.
- (f) A dispensing organization may only accept cannabis deliveries into a restricted access area. Deliveries may not be accepted through the public or limited access areas unless otherwise approved by the Department.
- (g) A dispensing organization shall maintain compliance with State and local building, fire, and zoning requirements or regulations.
- (h) A dispensing organization shall submit a list to the Department of the names of all service professionals that will work at the dispensary. The list shall include a description of the type of business or service provided. Changes to the service professional list shall be promptly provided. No service professional shall work in the dispensary until the name is provided to the Department on the service professional list.
- 25 (i) A dispensing organization's license allows for a 26 dispensary to be operated only at a single location.

- 1 (j) All dispensaries' hours of operation may be A
  2 dispensary may operate between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. local time.
  - (k) A dispensing organization must keep all lighting outside and inside the dispensary in good working order and wattage sufficient for security cameras.
  - (1) A dispensing organization must keep all air treatment systems that will be installed to reduce odors in good working order.
  - (m) A dispensing organization must contract with a private security contractor that is licensed under Section 10-5 of the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004 to provide on-site security at all hours of the dispensary's operation.
  - (n) A dispensing organization shall ensure that any building or equipment used by a dispensing organization for the storage or sale of cannabis is maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.
  - (o) The dispensary shall be free from infestation by insects, rodents, or pests.
    - (p) A dispensing organization shall not:
      - (1) Produce or manufacture cannabis;
    - (2) Accept a cannabis product from <u>a</u> an adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, dispensing organization, or transporting organization unless it is pre-packaged and labeled in accordance with this Act and any rules that may be adopted pursuant to this Act;

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- (3) Obtain cannabis or cannabis-infused products from outside the State of Illinois;
  - (4) Sell cannabis or cannabis-infused products to a purchaser unless the purchaser has been verified to be 21 years of age or older, or beginning July 1, 2025, the person is verified to be a qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver the dispensing organization is licensed under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, and the individual is registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program or the purchaser has been verified to be 21 years of age or older;
  - (5) Enter into an exclusive agreement with any adult cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser. Dispensaries shall provide consumers an assortment of products from various cannabis business establishment licensees such that the inventory available for sale at any dispensary from any single cultivation center, craft grower, processor, transporter, or infuser entity shall not be more than 40% of the total inventory available for sale. For the purpose of this subsection, a cultivation center, craft grower, processor, or infuser shall be considered part of the same entity if the licensees share at least one principal officer. The Department may request that a dispensary diversify its products as needed or otherwise discipline a dispensing organization

violating this requirement;

- (6) Refuse to conduct business with an adult use cultivation center, craft grower, transporting organization, or infuser that has the ability to properly deliver the product and is permitted by the Department of Agriculture, on the same terms as other adult use cultivation centers, craft growers, infusers, or transporters with whom it is dealing;
  - (7) (Blank); Operate drive through windows;
- (8) Allow for the dispensing of cannabis or cannabis-infused products in vending machines;
- (9) Transport cannabis to residences or other locations where purchasers may be for delivery;
- (10) Enter into agreements to allow persons who are not dispensing organization agents to deliver cannabis or to transport cannabis to purchasers;
- (11) Operate a dispensary if its video surveillance equipment is inoperative;
- (12) Operate a dispensary if the point-of-sale equipment is inoperative;
- (13) Operate a dispensary if the State's cannabis electronic verification system is inoperative;
- (14) Have fewer than 2 people working at the dispensary at any time while the dispensary is open;
- (15) Be located within 1,500 feet of the property line of a pre-existing dispensing organization, unless the

applicant is a Social Equity Applicant or Social Equity

Justice Involved Applicant located or seeking to locate

within 1,500 feet of a dispensing organization licensed

under Section 15-15 or Section 15-20;

- (16) Sell clones or any other live plant material;
- (17) Sell cannabis, cannabis concentrate, or cannabis-infused products in combination or bundled with each other or any other items for one price, and each item of cannabis, concentrate, or cannabis-infused product must be separately identified by quantity and price on the receipt;
- on-site at the dispensary, make referrals to a certifying health care professional, include links to a certifying health care professional, include links to a certifying health care professional on the dispensary's website, or otherwise direct patients to a certifying health care professional;
- (19) Beginning July 1, 2025, fail to prioritize qualifying patients, provisional patients, and designated caregivers; or
- (20) Violate any other requirements or prohibitions set by Department rules.
- (q) It is unlawful for any person having an Early Approval
  Adult Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization License, a
  Conditional Adult Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization
  License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a

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medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or any officer, associate, member, representative, or agent of such licensee to accept, receive, or borrow money or anything else of value or accept or receive credit (other than merchandising credit in the ordinary course of business for a period not to exceed 30 days) directly or indirectly from any adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, or transporting organization in exchange for preferential placement on the dispensing organization's shelves, display cases, or website. This includes anything received or borrowed or from any stockholders, officers, agents, or persons connected with a enabled to adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, or transporting organization.

(r) It is unlawful for any person having an Early Approval Adult Use <del>Cannabis</del> Dispensing Organization License, Conditional Adult Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program to enter into any contract with any person licensed to cultivate, process, or transport cannabis whereby such dispensing organization agrees not to sell any cannabis cultivated, processed, transported, manufactured, or distributed by any other cultivator, transporter, or infuser, and any provision in any contract violative of this Section shall render the

- 1 whole of such contract void and no action shall be brought
- 2 thereon in any court.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 4 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; revised 7-23-24.)
- 5 (410 ILCS 705/15-75)
- 6 Sec. 15-75. Inventory control system.
- 7 (a) A dispensing organization agent-in-charge shall have
- 8 primary oversight of the dispensing organization's cannabis
- 9 inventory verification system, and its point-of-sale system.
- 10 The inventory point-of-sale system shall be real-time,
- 11 web-based, and accessible by the Department at any time. The
- 12 point-of-sale system shall track, at a minimum the date of
- 13 sale, amount, price, and currency.
- 14 (b) A dispensing organization shall establish an account
- with the State's verification system that documents:
- 16 (1) Each sales transaction at the time of sale and
- each day's beginning inventory, acquisitions, sales,
- disposal, and ending inventory.
- 19 (2) Acquisition of cannabis and cannabis-infused
- 20 products from a licensed <del>adult use</del> cultivation center,
- 21 craft grower, infuser, or transporter, including:
- 22 (i) A description of the products, including the
- quantity, strain, variety, and batch number of each
- 24 product received;
- 25 (ii) The name and registry identification number

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- (iii) The name and registry identification number of the licensed adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, or transporting agent delivering the cannabis;
- (iv) The name and registry identification number of the dispensing organization agent receiving the cannabis; and
  - (v) The date of acquisition.
- (3) The disposal of cannabis, including:
- (i) A description of the products, including the quantity, strain, variety, batch number, and reason for the cannabis being disposed;
  - (ii) The method of disposal; and
- 17 (iii) The date and time of disposal.
  - (c) Upon cannabis delivery, a dispensing organization shall confirm the product's name, strain name, weight, and identification number on the manifest matches the information on the cannabis product label and package. The product name listed and the weight listed in the State's verification system shall match the product packaging.
    - (d) The agent-in-charge shall conduct daily inventory reconciliation documenting and balancing cannabis inventory by confirming the State's verification system matches the

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dispensing organization's point-of-sale system and the amount of physical product at the dispensary.

- (1) A dispensing organization must receive Department approval before completing an inventory adjustment. It shall provide a detailed reason for the adjustment. Inventory adjustment documentation shall be kept at the dispensary for 2 years from the date performed.
- (2) If the dispensing organization identifies an imbalance in the amount of cannabis after the daily inventory reconciliation due to mistake, the dispensing organization shall determine how the imbalance occurred discovery take immediately upon and document and corrective action. If the dispensing organization cannot identify the reason for the mistake within 2 calendar days after first discovery, it shall inform the Department immediately in writing of the imbalance and the corrective action taken to date. The dispensing organization shall work diligently to determine the reason for the mistake.
- (3) If the dispensing organization identifies an imbalance in the amount of cannabis after the daily inventory reconciliation or through other means due to theft, criminal activity, or suspected criminal activity, the dispensing organization shall immediately determine how the reduction occurred and take and document corrective action. Within 24 hours after the first discovery of the reduction due to theft, criminal

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activity, or suspected criminal activity, the dispensing organization shall inform the Department and the Illinois State Police in writing.

(4) The dispensing organization shall file an annual compilation report with the Department, including a financial statement that shall include, but not be limited to, an income statement, balance sheet, profit and loss statement, statement of cash flow, wholesale cost and sales, and any other documentation requested by the Department in writing. The financial statement shall include any other information the Department deems necessary in order to effectively administer this Act and all rules, orders, and final decisions promulgated under this Act. Statements required by this Section shall be filed with the Department within 60 days after the end of the calendar year. The compilation report shall include a letter authored by a licensed certified public accountant that it has been reviewed and is accurate based on the information provided. The dispensing organization, financial statement, and accompanying documents are not required to be audited unless specifically requested by the Department.

## (e) A dispensing organization shall:

(1) Maintain the documentation required in this Section in a secure locked location at the dispensing organization for 5 years from the date on the document;

- 1 (2) Provide any documentation required to be 2 maintained in this Section to the Department for review 3 upon request; and
- 4 (3) If maintaining a bank account, retain for a period 5 of 5 years a record of each deposit or withdrawal from the 6 account.
- 7 (f) If a dispensing organization chooses to have a return 8 policy for cannabis and cannabis products, the dispensing 9 organization shall seek prior approval from the Department.
- (g) Beginning July 1, 2025, all dispensing organizations 10 11 shall maintain internal, confidential records that record a 12 registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or 13 designated caregiver's transactions for the patient's adequate 14 medical supply and whether it was dispensed directly to the patient or to the designated caregiver. Each entry must 15 16 include the amount and the date and time the cannabis was 17 dispensed. Additional recordkeeping requirements may be set by 18 rule.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 20 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 21 (410 ILCS 705/15-85)
- Sec. 15-85. Dispensing cannabis.
- 23 (a) Before a dispensing organization agent dispenses 24 cannabis to a purchaser, the agent shall:
- 25 (1) Verify the age of the purchaser by checking a

government-issued	identifi	ication	card	рÀ	use	of	an
electronic reader	or electr	conic sc	anning	devi	ce to	sca	n a
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- (2) Verify the validity of the government-issued identification card by use of an electronic reader or electronic scanning device to scan a purchaser's government-issued identification, if applicable, to determine the purchaser's age and the validity of the identification;
- (3) Offer any appropriate purchaser education or support materials;
- (3-5) Verify the qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver's registration card, if purchasing as a patient or caregiver;
- (4) Enter the following information into the State's cannabis electronic verification system:
  - (i) The dispensing organization agent's identification number, or if the agent's card application is pending the Department's approval, a temporary and unique identifier until the agent's card application is approved or denied by the Department;
  - (ii) The dispensing organization's identification
    number;
    - (iii) The amount, type (including strain, if

1	applicable)	of	cannabis	or	cannabis-infused	product
2	dispensed;					

- 3 (iv) The date and time the cannabis was dispensed.
  - (b) A dispensing organization shall refuse to sell cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any person unless the person produces a valid identification showing that the person is 21 years of age or older or a qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregivers registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. A medical cannabis dispensing organization may sell cannabis or cannabis-infused products to a person who is under 21 years of age if the sale complies with the provisions of the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and rules.
  - (c) For the purposes of this Section, valid identification
    must:
  - (d) A dispensing organization shall not dispense to a registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or a designated caregiver, an amount exceeding the patient's adequate medical supply unless the qualifying patient has a Department of Public Health-approved quantity waiver.
  - (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a dispensing organization may offer pickup or drive-through locations for cannabis or cannabis-infused products to purchasers over 21 years of age, qualifying patients, provisional patients, and designated caregivers in accordance with Section 15-100 of this Act.

- 1 (1) Be valid and unexpired;
- 2 (2) Contain a photograph and the date of birth of the
- 3 person.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 5 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.)
- 6 (410 ILCS 705/15-100)
- 7 Sec. 15-100. Security.
- 8 (a) A dispensing organization shall implement security
- 9 measures to deter and prevent entry into and theft of cannabis
- 10 or currency.
- 11 (b) A dispensing organization shall submit any changes to
- 12 the floor plan or security plan to the Department for
- 13 pre-approval. All cannabis shall be maintained and stored in a
- 14 restricted access area during construction.
- 15 (c) The dispensing organization shall implement security
- 16 measures to protect the premises, purchasers, and dispensing
- 17 organization agents including, but not limited to the
- 18 following:
- 19 (1) Establish a locked door or barrier between the
- facility's entrance and the limited access area;
- 21 (2) Prevent individuals from remaining on the premises
- 22 if they are not engaging in activity permitted by this Act
- 23 or rules;
- 24 (3) Develop a policy that addresses the maximum
- 25 capacity and purchaser flow in the waiting rooms and

limited access areas;

- (4) Dispose of cannabis in accordance with this Act and rules;
- (5) During hours of operation, store and dispense all cannabis in from the restricted access area. During operational hours, cannabis shall be stored in an enclosed locked room or cabinet and accessible only to specifically authorized dispensing organization agents;
- (5.5) During hours of operation, dispense all cannabis from the restricted access area, including a drive-through window, or from a pickup location in close proximity to the restricted access area. Orders in the pickup or drive-through location may only be placed by the purchaser or patient in advance, and the dispensing organization shall, prior to dispensing the cannabis, confirm that the purchaser, registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver is in compliance with Section 15-85 of this Act. As used in this paragraph, "pickup location in close proximity" means an area contiguous to the real property of the dispensary, such as a sidewalk or parking lot;
- (6) When the dispensary is closed, store all cannabis and currency in a reinforced vault room in the restricted access area and in a manner as to prevent diversion, theft, or loss;
  - (7) Keep the reinforced vault room and any other

_	equipment	or	cannabis	storage	areas	securely	locked	and
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- (8) Keep an electronic daily log of dispensing organization agents with access to the reinforced vault room and knowledge of the access code or combination;
- (9) Keep all locks and security equipment in good working order;
- (10) Maintain an operational security and alarm system at all times;
- (11) Prohibit keys, if applicable, from being left in the locks, or stored or placed in a location accessible to persons other than specifically authorized personnel;
- (12) Prohibit accessibility of security measures, including combination numbers, passwords, or electronic or biometric security systems to persons other than specifically authorized dispensing organization agents;
- (13) Ensure that the dispensary interior and exterior premises are sufficiently lit to facilitate surveillance;
- (14) Ensure that trees, bushes, and other foliage outside of the dispensary premises do not allow for a person or persons to conceal themselves from sight;
- (15) Develop emergency policies and procedures for securing all product and currency following any instance of diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis, and conduct an assessment to determine whether additional safeguards are necessary; and

- 1 (16) Develop sufficient additional safeguards in 2 response to any special security concerns, or as required 3 by the Department; and
  - (17) Maintain a security and safe storage plan for qualifying patient information. The health care professional-patient privilege as set forth by Section 8-802 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall apply between a qualifying patient, provisional patient, and a dispensing organization and its agents with respect to communications and records concerning patients' debilitating conditions.
  - (d) The Department may request or approve alternative security provisions that it determines are an adequate substitute for a security requirement specified in this Article. Any additional protections may be considered by the Department in evaluating overall security measures.
  - (e) A dispensing organization may share premises with a craft grower or an infuser organization, or both, provided each licensee stores currency and cannabis or cannabis-infused products in a separate secured vault to which the other licensee does not have access or all licensees sharing a vault share more than 50% of the same ownership.
  - (f) A dispensing organization shall provide additional security as needed and in a manner appropriate for the community where it operates.
- 25 (g) Restricted access areas.
  - (1) All restricted access areas must be identified by

the posting of a sign that is a minimum of 12 inches by 12
inches and that states "Do Not Enter - Restricted Access
Area - Authorized Personnel Only" in lettering no smaller
than one inch in height.

- (2) All restricted access areas shall be clearly described in the floor plan of the premises, in the form and manner determined by the Department, reflecting walls, partitions, counters, and all areas of entry and exit. The floor plan shall show all storage, disposal, and retail sales areas.
- (3) All restricted access areas must be secure, with locking devices that prevent access from the limited access areas.
- (h) Security and alarm.
- (1) A dispensing organization shall have an adequate security plan and security system to prevent and detect diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis, currency, or unauthorized intrusion using commercial grade equipment installed by an Illinois licensed private alarm contractor or private alarm contractor agency that shall, at a minimum, include:
  - (i) A perimeter alarm on all entry points and glass break protection on perimeter windows;
  - (ii) Security shatterproof tinted film on exterior
    windows;
    - (iii) A failure notification system that provides

an audible, text, or visual notification of any failure in the surveillance system, including, but not limited to, panic buttons, alarms, and video monitoring system. The failure notification system shall provide an alert to designated dispensing organization agents within 5 minutes after the failure, either by telephone or text message;

- (iv) A duress alarm, panic button, and alarm, or holdup alarm and after-hours intrusion detection alarm that by design and purpose will directly or indirectly notify, by the most efficient means, the Public Safety Answering Point for the law enforcement agency having primary jurisdiction;
- (v) Security equipment to deter and prevent unauthorized entrance into the dispensary, including electronic door locks on the limited and restricted access areas that include devices or a series of devices to detect unauthorized intrusion that may include a signal system interconnected with a radio frequency method, cellular, private radio signals or other mechanical or electronic device.
- (2) All security system equipment and recordings shall be maintained in good working order, in a secure location so as to prevent theft, loss, destruction, or alterations.
- (3) Access to surveillance monitoring recording equipment shall be limited to persons who are essential to

surveillance operations, law enforcement authorities acting within their jurisdiction, security system service personnel, and the Department. A current list of authorized dispensing organization agents and service personnel that have access to the surveillance equipment must be available to the Department upon request.

- (4) All security equipment shall be inspected and tested at regular intervals, not to exceed one month from the previous inspection, and tested to ensure the systems remain functional.
- (5) The security system shall provide protection against theft and diversion that is facilitated or hidden by tampering with computers or electronic records.
- (6) The dispensary shall ensure all access doors are not solely controlled by an electronic access panel to ensure that locks are not released during a power outage.
- (i) To monitor the dispensary, the dispensing organization shall incorporate continuous electronic video monitoring including the following:
  - (1) All monitors must be 19 inches or greater;
  - (2) Unobstructed video surveillance of all enclosed dispensary areas, unless prohibited by law, including all points of entry and exit that shall be appropriate for the normal lighting conditions of the area under surveillance. The cameras shall be directed so all areas are captured, including, but not limited to, safes, vaults, sales areas,

and areas where cannabis is stored, handled, dispensed, or destroyed. Cameras shall be angled to allow for facial recognition, the capture of clear and certain identification of any person entering or exiting the dispensary area and in lighting sufficient during all times of night or day;

- (3) Unobstructed video surveillance of outside areas, the storefront, and the parking lot, that shall be appropriate for the normal lighting conditions of the area under surveillance. Cameras shall be angled so as to allow for the capture of facial recognition, clear and certain identification of any person entering or exiting the dispensary and the immediate surrounding area, and license plates of vehicles in the parking lot;
- (4) 24-hour recordings from all video cameras available for immediate viewing by the Department upon request. Recordings shall not be destroyed or altered and shall be retained for at least 90 days. Recordings shall be retained as long as necessary if the dispensing organization is aware of the loss or theft of cannabis or a pending criminal, civil, or administrative investigation or legal proceeding for which the recording may contain relevant information:
- (5) The ability to immediately produce a clear, color still photo from the surveillance video, either live or recorded;

- (6) A date and time stamp embedded on all video surveillance recordings. The date and time shall be synchronized and set correctly and shall not significantly obscure the picture;
  - (7) The ability to remain operational during a power outage and ensure all access doors are not solely controlled by an electronic access panel to ensure that locks are not released during a power outage;
  - (8) All video surveillance equipment shall allow for the exporting of still images in an industry standard image format, including .jpg, .bmp, and .gif. Exported video shall have the ability to be archived in a proprietary format that ensures authentication of the video and guarantees that no alteration of the recorded image has taken place. Exported video shall also have the ability to be saved in an industry standard file format that can be played on a standard computer operating system. All recordings shall be erased or destroyed before disposal;
  - (9) The video surveillance system shall be operational during a power outage with a 4-hour minimum battery backup;
  - (10) A video camera or cameras recording at each point-of-sale location allowing for the identification of the dispensing organization agent distributing the cannabis and any purchaser. The camera or cameras shall

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- capture the sale, the individuals and the computer monitors used for the sale;
  - (11) A failure notification system that provides an audible and visual notification of any failure in the electronic video monitoring system; and
    - (12) All electronic video surveillance monitoring must record at least the equivalent of 8 frames per second and be available as recordings to the Department and the Illinois State Police 24 hours a day via a secure web-based portal with reverse functionality.
- 11 (j) The requirements contained in this Act are minimum 12 requirements for operating a dispensing organization. The 13 Department may establish additional requirements by rule.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 15 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 16 (410 ILCS 705/15-135)
- 17 Sec. 15-135. Investigations.
- 18 (a) Dispensing organizations are subject to random and
  19 unannounced dispensary inspections and cannabis testing by the
  20 Department, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of
  21 Revenue, the Department of Public Health, the Illinois State
  22 Police, local law enforcement, local health officials, or as
- 23 provided by rule.
- 24 (b) The Department and its authorized representatives may 25 enter any place, including a vehicle, in which cannabis is

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- 1 dispensed, sold, produced, held, stored, delivered, 2 transported, manufactured, or disposed of and inspect, in a reasonable manner, the place and all pertinent equipment, 3 containers and labeling, and all things including records, 5 files, financial data, sales data, shipping data, pricing data, personnel data, research, papers, processes, controls, 6 7 and facility, and inventory any stock of cannabis and obtain 8 samples of any cannabis or cannabis-infused product, any 9 labels or containers for cannabis, or paraphernalia.
  - (c) The Department may conduct an investigation of an applicant, application, dispensing organization, principal officer, dispensary agent, third party vendor, or any other party associated with a dispensing organization for an alleged violation of this Act or rules or to determine qualifications to be granted a registration by the Department.
  - (d) The Department may require an applicant or holder of any license issued pursuant to this Article to produce documents, records, or any other material pertinent to the investigation of an application or alleged violations of this Act or rules. Failure to provide the required material may be grounds for denial or discipline.
  - (e) Every person charged with preparation, obtaining, or keeping records, logs, reports, or other documents in connection with this Act and rules and every person in charge, or having custody, of those documents shall, upon request by the Department, make the documents immediately available for

- 1 inspection and copying by the Department, the Department's
- 2 authorized representative, or others authorized by law to
- 3 review the documents.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21;
- 5 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)
- 6 (410 ILCS 705/15-145)
- 7 Sec. 15-145. Grounds for discipline.
- 8 (a) The Department may deny issuance, refuse to renew or
- 9 restore, or may reprimand, place on probation, suspend,
- 10 revoke, or take other disciplinary or nondisciplinary action
- 11 against any license or agent identification card or may impose
- 12 a fine for any of the following:
- 13 (1) Material misstatement in furnishing information to
- the Department;
- 15 (2) Violations of this Act or rules;
- 16 (3) Obtaining an authorization or license by fraud or
- 17 misrepresentation;
- 18 (4) A pattern of conduct that demonstrates
- incompetence or that the applicant has engaged in conduct
- or actions that would constitute grounds for discipline
- 21 under this Act;
- 22 (5) Aiding or assisting another person in violating
- any provision of this Act or rules;
- 24 (6) Failing to respond to a written request for
- 25 information by the Department within 30 days;

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- (8) Adverse action by another United States jurisdiction or foreign nation;
- (9) A finding by the Department that the licensee, after having his or her license placed on suspended or probationary status, has violated the terms of the suspension or probation;
- (10) Conviction, entry of a plea of guilty, nolo contendere, or the equivalent in a State or federal court of a principal officer or agent-in-charge of a felony offense in accordance with Sections 2105-131, 2105-135, and 2105-205 of the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois;
- (11) Excessive use of or addiction to alcohol, narcotics, stimulants, or any other chemical agent or drug;
- (12) A finding by the Department of a discrepancy in a Department audit of cannabis;
- (13) A finding by the Department of a discrepancy in a Department audit of capital or funds;
- (14) A finding by the Department of acceptance of cannabis from a source other than a cultivation center an Adult Use Cultivation Center, craft grower, infuser, or transporting organization licensed by the Department of

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- (15) An inability to operate using reasonable judgment, skill, or safety due to physical or mental illness or other impairment or disability, including, without limitation, deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills or mental incompetence;
- (16) Failing to report to the Department within the time frames established, or if not identified, 14 days, of any adverse action taken against the dispensing organization or an agent by a licensing jurisdiction in any state or any territory of the United States or any foreign jurisdiction, any governmental agency, any law enforcement agency or any court defined in this Section;
- (17) Any violation of the dispensing organization's policies and procedures submitted to the Department annually as a condition for licensure;
- (18) Failure to inform the Department of any change of address within 10 business days;
- (19) Disclosing customer names, personal information, or protected health information in violation of any State or federal law;
- (20) Operating a dispensary before obtaining a license from the Department;
- (21) Performing duties authorized by this Act prior to receiving a license to perform such duties;

1	(22)	Dispensing	cannabis	when	prohibited	bу	this	Act
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- (23) Any fact or condition that, if it had existed at the time of the original application for the license, would have warranted the denial of the license;
- (24) Permitting a person without a valid agent identification card to perform licensed activities under this Act;
- (25) Failure to assign an agent-in-charge as required by this Article;
- (26) Failure to provide the training required by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) of Section 15-40 within the provided timeframe;
- (27) Personnel insufficient in number or unqualified in training or experience to properly operate the dispensary business;
- (28) Any pattern of activity that causes a harmful impact on the community; and
- 19 (29) Failing to prevent diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis.
  - (b) All fines and fees imposed under this Section shall be paid within 60 days after the effective date of the order imposing the fine or as otherwise specified in the order.
  - (c) A circuit court order establishing that an agent-in-charge or principal officer holding an agent identification card is subject to involuntary admission as

- 1 that term is defined in Section 1-119 or 1-119.1 of the Mental
- 2 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code shall operate as a
- 3 suspension of that card.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 5 (410 ILCS 705/Art. 20 heading)
- Article 20.
- 7 Adult Use Cultivation Centers
- 8 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 9 (410 ILCS 705/20-10)
- 10 Sec. 20-10. Early Approval of Adult Use Cultivation Center
- 11 License.
- 12 (a) Any medical cannabis cultivation center registered and
- in good standing under the Compassionate Use of Medical
- 14 Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act may,
- within 60 days of the effective date of this Act but no later
- than 180 days from the effective date of this Act, apply to the
- 17 Department of Agriculture for an Early Approval Adult Use
- 18 Cultivation Center License to produce cannabis and
- cannabis-infused products at its existing facilities as of the
- 20 effective date of this Act.
- 21 (b) A medical cannabis cultivation center seeking issuance
- 22 of an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License
- 23 shall submit an application on forms provided by the
- 24 Department of Agriculture. The application must meet or

- include the following qualifications:
- 2 (1) Payment of a nonrefundable application fee of \$100,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;
  - (2) Proof of registration as a medical cannabis cultivation center that is in good standing;
  - (3) Submission of the application by the same person or entity that holds the medical cannabis cultivation center registration;
  - (4) Certification that the applicant will comply with the requirements of Section 20-30;
    - (5) The legal name of the cultivation center;
    - (6) The physical address of the cultivation center;
  - (7) The name, address, social security number, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the cultivation center; each of those individuals shall be at least 21 years of age;
  - (8) A nonrefundable Cannabis Business Development Fee equal to 5% of the cultivation center's total sales between June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019 or \$750,000, whichever is less, but at not less than \$250,000, to be deposited into the Cannabis Business Development Fund; and
  - (9) A commitment to completing one of the following Social Equity Inclusion Plans provided for in this subsection (b) before the expiration of the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License:

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- (i) the Cannabis Business Development Fund. This is in addition to the fee required by item (8) of this subsection (b);
- (ii) a cannabis industry training or education program at an Illinois community college as defined in the Public Community College Act;
- (iii) a program that provides job training services to persons recently incarcerated or that operates in a Disproportionately Impacted Area.
- (B) Participate as a host in a cannabis business incubator program for at least one year approved by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and in which an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder agrees to provide a loan of at least \$100,000 and mentorship to incubate, for at least a year, a Social Equity Applicant intending to seek a license or a licensee that qualifies as a Social Equity Applicant. As used in this Section, "incubate" means providing direct financial assistance and training necessary to engage in licensed cannabis industry activity similar to that of the host licensee. The Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation

Center License holder or the same entity holding any other licenses issued pursuant to this Act shall not take an ownership stake of greater than 10% in any business receiving incubation services to comply with this subsection. If an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder fails to find a business to incubate to comply with this subsection before its Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License expires, it may opt to meet the requirement of this subsection by completing another item from this subsection prior to the expiration of its Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License to avoid a penalty.

- (c) An Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License is valid until March 31, 2021. A cultivation center that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and inform the license holder that it may renew its Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License. The Department of Agriculture shall grant a renewal of an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License within 60 days of submission of an application if:
  - (1) the cultivation center submits an application and the required renewal fee of \$100,000 for an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License;

- 1 (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended 2 the license of the cultivation center or suspended or 3 revoked the license for violating this Act or rules 4 adopted under this Act; and
  - (3) the cultivation center has completed a Social Equity Inclusion Plan as required by item (9) of subsection (b) of this Section.
  - License renewed pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section shall expire March 31, 2022. The Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center Licensee shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and inform the license holder that it may apply for a an Adult Use Cultivation Center License. The Department of Agriculture shall grant a Cultivation Center an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License within 60 days of an application being deemed complete if the applicant meets all of the criteria in Section 20-21.
    - (d) The license fee required by paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of this Section shall be in addition to any license fee required for the renewal of a registered medical cannabis cultivation center license that expires during the effective period of the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License.
- 25 (e) Applicants must submit all required information, 26 including the requirements in subsection (b) of this Section,

- to the Department of Agriculture. Failure by an applicant to submit all required information may result in the application being disqualified.
  - (f) If the Department of Agriculture receives an application with missing information, the Department may issue a deficiency notice to the applicant. The applicant shall have 10 calendar days from the date of the deficiency notice to submit complete information. Applications that are still incomplete after this opportunity to cure may be disqualified.
  - (g) If an applicant meets all the requirements of subsection (b) of this Section, the Department of Agriculture shall issue the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License within 14 days of receiving the application unless:
    - (1) The licensee; principal officer, board member, or person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the licensee; or agent is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois;
    - (2) The Director of Agriculture determines there is reason, based on an inordinate number of documented compliance violations, the licensee is not entitled to an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License; or
    - (3) The licensee fails to commit to the Social Equity Inclusion Plan.
  - (h) A cultivation center may begin producing cannabis and cannabis-infused products once the Early Approval Adult Use

- 1 Cultivation Center License is approved. A cultivation center
- 2 that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center
- 3 License may begin selling cannabis and cannabis-infused
- 4 products on December 1, 2019.
- 5 (i) An Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License
- 6 holder must continue to produce and provide an adequate supply
- 7 of cannabis and cannabis-infused products for purchase by
- 8 qualifying patients and caregivers. For the purposes of this
- 9 subsection, "adequate supply" means a monthly production level
- 10 that is comparable in type and quantity to those medical
- 11 cannabis products produced for patients and caregivers on an
- 12 average monthly basis for the 6 months before the effective
- date of this Act.
- 14 (j) If there is a shortage of cannabis or cannabis-infused
- 15 products, a license holder shall prioritize patients
- 16 registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- 17 Program Act over adult use purchasers.
- 18 (k) If an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center
- 19 licensee fails to submit an application for a an Adult Use
- 20 Cultivation Center License before the expiration of the Early
- 21 Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License pursuant to
- 22 subsection (c-5) of this Section, the cultivation center shall
- 23 cease all adult use cultivation until it receives a an Adult
- 24 Use Cultivation Center License.
- 25 (1) A cultivation center agent who holds a valid
- 26 cultivation center agent identification card issued under the

- 1 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and is an
- officer, director, manager, or employee of the cultivation
- 3 center licensed under this Section may engage in all
- 4 activities authorized by this Article to be performed by a
- 5 cultivation center agent.
- 6 (m) If the Department of Agriculture suspends or revokes
- 7 the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License of a
- 8 cultivation center that also holds a medical cannabis
- 9 cultivation center license issued under the Compassionate Use
- of Medical Cannabis Program Act, the Department of Agriculture
- 11 may suspend or revoke the medical cannabis cultivation center
- 12 license concurrently with the Early Approval Adult Use
- 13 Cultivation Center License.
- 14 (n) All fees or fines collected from an Early Approval
- 15 Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder as a result of a
- 16 disciplinary action in the enforcement of this Act shall be
- deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 19 (410 ILCS 705/20-15)
- 20 Sec. 20-15. Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center
- 21 application.
- 22 (a) If the Department of Agriculture makes available
- 23 additional cultivation center licenses pursuant to Section
- 24 20-5, applicants for a Conditional Adult Use Cultivation
- 25 Center License shall electronically submit the following in

- 1 such form as the Department of Agriculture may direct:
- 2 (1) the nonrefundable application fee set by rule by 3 the Department of Agriculture, to be deposited into the 4 Cannabis Regulation Fund;
  - (2) the legal name of the cultivation center;
  - (3) the proposed physical address of the cultivation center;
    - (4) the name, address, social security number, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the cultivation center; each principal officer and board member shall be at least 21 years of age;
    - (5) the details of any administrative or judicial proceeding in which any of the principal officers or board members of the cultivation center (i) pled guilty, were convicted, were fined, or had a registration or license suspended or revoked, or (ii) managed or served on the board of a business or non-profit organization that pled guilty, was convicted, was fined, or had a registration or license suspended or revoked;
    - (6) proposed operating bylaws that include procedures for the oversight of the cultivation center, including the development and implementation of a plant monitoring system, accurate recordkeeping, staffing plan, and security plan approved by the Illinois State Police that are in accordance with the rules issued by the Department of Agriculture under this Act. A physical inventory shall

be performed of all plants and cannabis on a weekly basis

type by the cultivation center;

- (7) verification from the Illinois State Police that all background checks of the prospective principal officers, board members, and agents of the cannabis business establishment have been conducted;
- (8) a copy of the current local zoning ordinance or permit and verification that the proposed cultivation center is in compliance with the local zoning rules and distance limitations established by the local jurisdiction;
- (9) proposed employment practices, in which the applicant must demonstrate a plan of action to inform, hire, and educate minorities, women, veterans, and persons with disabilities, engage in fair labor practices, and provide worker protections;
- (10) whether an applicant can demonstrate experience in or business practices that promote economic empowerment in Disproportionately Impacted Areas;
- (11) experience with the cultivation of agricultural or horticultural products, operating an agriculturally related business, or operating a horticultural business;
- (12) a description of the enclosed, locked facility where cannabis will be grown, harvested, manufactured, processed, packaged, or otherwise prepared for distribution to a dispensing organization;

business;

1	(13) a survey of the enclosed, locked facility,
2	including the space used for cultivation;
3	(14) cultivation, processing, inventory, and packaging
4	plans;
5	(15) a description of the applicant's experience with
6	agricultural cultivation techniques and industry
7	standards;
8	(16) a list of any academic degrees, certifications,
9	or relevant experience of all prospective principal
10	officers, board members, and agents of the related

- (17) the identity of every person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the cultivation center operation with respect to which the license is sought, whether a trust, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or sole proprietorship, including the name and address of each person;
- (18) a plan describing how the cultivation center will address each of the following:
  - (i) energy needs, including estimates of monthly electricity and gas usage, to what extent it will procure energy from a local utility or from on-site generation, and if it has or will adopt a sustainable energy use and energy conservation policy;
  - (ii) water needs, including estimated water draw and if it has or will adopt a sustainable water use and

1	water conservation policy; and
2	(iii) waste management, including if it has or
3	will adopt a waste reduction policy;
4	(19) a diversity plan that includes a narrative of not
5	more than 2,500 words that establishes a goal of diversity
6	in ownership, management, employment, and contracting to
7	ensure that diverse participants and groups are afforded
8	equality of opportunity;
9	(20) any other information required by rule;
10	(21) a recycling plan:
11	(A) Purchaser packaging, including cartridges,
12	shall be accepted by the applicant and recycled.
13	(B) Any recyclable waste generated by the cannabis
14	cultivation facility shall be recycled per applicable
15	State and local laws, ordinances, and rules.
16	(C) Any cannabis waste, liquid waste, or hazardous
17	waste shall be disposed of in accordance with 8 Ill.
18	Adm. Code 1000.460, except, to the greatest extent
19	feasible, all cannabis plant waste will be rendered
20	unusable by grinding and incorporating the cannabis
21	plant waste with compostable mixed waste to be
22	disposed of in accordance with 8 Ill. Adm. Code
23	1000.460(g)(1);
24	(22) commitment to comply with local waste provisions:
25	a cultivation facility must remain in compliance with

applicable State and federal environmental requirements,

1	including, but not limited to:
2	(A) storing, securing, and managing all
3	recyclables and waste, including organic waste
4	composed of or containing finished cannabis and
5	cannabis products, in accordance with applicable State
6	and local laws, ordinances, and rules; and
7	(B) disposing liquid waste containing cannabis or
8	byproducts of cannabis processing in compliance with
9	all applicable State and federal requirements,
10	including, but not limited to, the cannabis
11	cultivation facility's permits under Title X of the
12	Environmental Protection Act; and
13	(23) a commitment to a technology standard for
14	resource efficiency of the cultivation center facility.
15	(A) A cannabis cultivation facility commits to use
16	resources efficiently, including energy and water. For
17	the following, a cannabis cultivation facility commits
18	to meet or exceed the technology standard identified
19	in items (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv), which may be
20	modified by rule:
21	(i) lighting systems, including light bulbs;
22	(ii) HVAC system;
23	(iii) water application system to the crop;
24	and
25	(iv) filtration system for removing
26	contaminants from wastewater.

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(B) Lighting. The Lighting Power Densities (LPD) 1 2 for cultivation space commits to not exceed an average 3 of 36 watts per gross square foot of active and growing space canopy, or all installed lighting technology shall meet a photosynthetic photon efficacy (PPE) of no less than 2.2 micromoles per joule fixture and 6 7 shall be featured on the DesignLights Consortium (DLC) Horticultural Specification Qualified Products List 8 9 (QPL). In the event that DLC requirement for minimum 10 efficacy exceeds 2.2 micromoles per joule fixture, 11 that PPE shall become the new standard.

## (C) HVAC.

- (i) For cannabis grow operations with less than 6,000 square feet of canopy, the licensee commits that all HVAC units will be high-efficiency ductless split HVAC units, or other more energy efficient equipment.
- (ii) For cannabis grow operations with 6,000 square feet of canopy or more, the licensee commits that all HVAC units will be variable refrigerant flow HVAC units, or other more energy efficient equipment.

## (D) Water application.

(i) The cannabis cultivation facility commits to use automated watering systems, including, but not limited to, drip irrigation and flood tables,

1 to irrigate cannabis crop.

- (ii) The cannabis cultivation facility commits to measure runoff from watering events and report this volume in its water usage plan, and that on average, watering events shall have no more than 20% of runoff of water.
- (E) Filtration. The cultivator commits that HVAC condensate, dehumidification water, excess runoff, and other wastewater produced by the cannabis cultivation facility shall be captured and filtered to the best of the facility's ability to achieve the quality needed to be reused in subsequent watering rounds.
- (F) Reporting energy use and efficiency as required by rule.
- (b) Applicants must submit all required information, including the information required in Section 20-10, to the Department of Agriculture. Failure by an applicant to submit all required information may result in the application being disqualified.
- application with missing information, the Department of Agriculture may issue a deficiency notice to the applicant. The applicant shall have 10 calendar days from the date of the deficiency notice to resubmit the incomplete information. Applications that are still incomplete after this opportunity to cure will not be scored and will be disqualified.

## 1 (d) (Blank).

- 2 (e) A cultivation center that is awarded a Conditional
- 3 Adult Use Cultivation Center License pursuant to the criteria
- 4 in Section 20-20 shall not grow, purchase, possess, or sell
- 5 cannabis or cannabis-infused products until the person has
- 6 received an Adult Use Cultivation Center License issued by the
- 7 Department of Agriculture pursuant to Section 20-21 of this
- 8 Act.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 10 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; revised 7-23-24.)
- 11 (410 ILCS 705/20-20)
- 12 Sec. 20-20. Conditional Cultivation Center Adult Use
- 13 License scoring applications.
- 14 (a) The Department of Agriculture shall by rule develop a
- 15 system to score cultivation center applications to
- 16 administratively rank applications based on the clarity,
- organization, and quality of the applicant's responses to
- 18 required information. Applicants shall be awarded points based
- 19 on the following categories:
- 20 (1) Suitability of the proposed facility;
- 21 (2) Suitability of employee training plan;
- 22 (3) Security and recordkeeping;
- 23 (4) Cultivation plan;
- 24 (5) Product safety and labeling plan;
- 25 (6) Business plan;

provided by rule;

1	(7) The applicant's status as a Social Equity
2	Applicant, which shall constitute no less than 20% of
3	total available points;
4	(8) Labor and employment practices, which shall
5	constitute no less than 2% of total available points;
6	(9) Environmental plan as described in paragraphs
7	(18), (21), (22), and (23) of subsection (a) of Section
8	20-15;
9	(10) The applicant is 51% or more owned and controlled
10	by an individual or individuals who have been an Illinois
11	resident for the past 5 years as proved by tax records or 2
12	of the following:
13	(A) a signed lease agreement that includes the
14	applicant's name;
15	(B) a property deed that includes the applicant's
16	name;
17	(C) school records;
18	(D) a voter registration card;
19	(E) an Illinois driver's license, an Illinois
20	Identification Card, or an Illinois Person with a
21	Disability Identification Card;
22	(F) a paycheck stub;
23	(G) a utility bill; or
24	(H) any other proof of residency or other
25	information necessary to establish residence as

- 1 (11) The applicant is 51% or more controlled and owned 2 by an individual or individuals who meet the 3 qualifications of a veteran as defined by Section 45-57 of 4 the Illinois Procurement Code;
  - (12) a diversity plan that includes a narrative of not more than 2,500 words that establishes a goal of diversity in ownership, management, employment, and contracting to ensure that diverse participants and groups are afforded equality of opportunity; and
  - (13) Any other criteria the Department of Agriculture may set by rule for points.
  - (b) The Department may also award bonus points for the applicant's plan to engage with the community. Bonus points will only be awarded if the Department receives applications that receive an equal score for a particular region.
  - (c) Should the applicant be awarded a cultivation center license, the information and plans that an applicant provided in its application, including any plans submitted for the acquiring of bonus points, becomes a mandatory condition of the permit. Any variation from or failure to perform such plans may result in discipline, including the revocation or nonrenewal of a license.
  - (d) Should the applicant be awarded a cultivation center license, it shall pay a fee of \$100,000 prior to receiving the license, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. The Department of Agriculture may by rule adjust the fee in

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- 1 this Section after January 1, 2021.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 705/20-21)
- 4 Sec. 20-21. Adult Use Cultivation Center License.
- 5 (a) A person or entity is only eligible to receive <u>a</u> and
  6 Adult Use Cultivation Center License if the person or entity
  7 has first been awarded a Conditional Adult Use Cultivation
  8 Center License pursuant to this Act or the person or entity has
  9 renewed its Early Approval Cultivation Center License pursuant
  10 to subsection (c) of Section 20-10.
- 11 (b) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue <u>a</u> <del>an</del>
  12 Adult Use Cultivation Center License until:
  - (1) the Department of Agriculture has inspected the cultivation center site and proposed operations and verified that they are in compliance with this Act and local zoning laws;
  - (2) the Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder has paid a registration fee of \$100,000 or a prorated amount accounting for the difference of time between when the Adult Use Cultivation Center License is issued and March 31 of the next even-numbered year; and
  - (3) The Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder has met all the requirements in the Act and rules.
  - (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on and

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1	after July 1, 2025, the Department shall cease to issue or
2	renew any medical cannabis cultivation permit issued under the
3	Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Act. Licensees that hold
4	dual Medical Cannabis Cultivation Permits and Adult Use
5	Cultivation Center Licenses may continue all operations with a
6	valid Cultivation Center License issued under this Act that is
7	in good standing

- (1) The Department shall create a process for licenses to transition to sole operation as Cultivation Centers; including refund or proration of medical cultivation center permit fees.
- 12 (2) Any statements or plans submitted as part of an

  13 initial application for a medical cannabis cultivation

  14 permit as well as all subsequent modifications and

  15 alterations shall remain a mandatory condition of the

  16 cultivation center license.
  - (3) Cultivation Centers shall not relocate except within the same Illinois State Police District boundary as specified on the date of January 1, 2013 in which the initial Medical Cannabis Cultivation Permit was initially issued.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 23 (410 ILCS 705/20-30)
- Sec. 20-30. Cultivation center requirements; prohibitions.
- 25 (a) The operating documents of a cultivation center shall

- include procedures for the oversight of the cultivation center, a cannabis plant monitoring system including a physical inventory recorded weekly, accurate recordkeeping, and a staffing plan.
  - (b) A cultivation center shall implement a security plan reviewed by the Illinois State Police that includes, but is not limited to: facility access controls, perimeter intrusion detection systems, personnel identification systems, 24-hour surveillance system to monitor the interior and exterior of the cultivation center facility and accessibility to authorized law enforcement, the Department of Public Health where processing takes place, and the Department of Agriculture in real time.
  - (c) All cultivation of cannabis by a cultivation center must take place in an enclosed, locked facility at the physical address provided to the Department of Agriculture during the licensing process. The cultivation center location shall only be accessed by the agents working for the cultivation center, the Department of Agriculture staff performing inspections, the Department of Public Health staff performing inspections, local and State law enforcement or other emergency personnel, contractors working on jobs unrelated to cannabis, such as installing or maintaining security devices or performing electrical wiring, transporting organization agents as provided in this Act, individuals in a mentoring or educational program approved by the State, or

- 1 other individuals as provided by rule.
  - (d) A cultivation center may not sell or distribute any cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any person other than a dispensing organization, craft grower, infuser organization, transporter, or as otherwise authorized by rule.
    - (e) A cultivation center may not either directly or indirectly discriminate in price between different dispensing organizations, craft growers, or infuser organizations that are purchasing a like grade, strain, brand, and quality of cannabis or cannabis-infused product. Nothing in this subsection (e) prevents a cultivation center from pricing cannabis differently based on differences in the cost of manufacturing or processing, the quantities sold, such as volume discounts, or the way the products are delivered.
    - (f) All cannabis harvested by a cultivation center and intended for distribution to a dispensing organization must be entered into a data collection system, packaged and labeled under Section 55-21, and placed into a cannabis container for transport. All cannabis harvested by a cultivation center and intended for distribution to a craft grower or infuser organization must be packaged in a labeled cannabis container and entered into a data collection system before transport.
    - (g) Cultivation centers are subject to random inspections by the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, local safety or health inspectors, the Illinois State Police, or as provided by rule.

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- 1 (h) A cultivation center agent shall notify local law
  2 enforcement, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of
  3 Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or
  4 theft. Notification shall be made by phone or in person, or by
  5 written or electronic communication.
  - (i) A cultivation center shall comply with all State and any applicable federal rules and regulations regarding the use of pesticides on cannabis plants.
  - (j) No person or entity shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, of more than 3 cultivation centers licensed under this Article. Further, no person or entity that is employed by, an agent of, a contract to receive payment in any form from a cultivation center, is a principal officer of a cultivation center, or entity controlled by or affiliated with a principal officer of a cultivation shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, in a cultivation that would result in the person or entity owning or controlling in combination with any cultivation center, principal officer of a cultivation center, or controlled or affiliated with a principal officer of a cultivation center by which he, she, or it is employed, is an agent of, or participates in the management of, more than 3 cultivation center licenses.
    - (k) A cultivation center may not contain more than 210,000 square feet of canopy space for plants in the flowering stage

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- 1 for cultivation of adult use cannabis as provided in this Act.
- 2 (1) A cultivation center may process cannabis, cannabis concentrates, and cannabis-infused products.
  - (m) Beginning July 1, 2020, a cultivation center shall not transport cannabis or cannabis-infused products to a craft grower, dispensing organization, infuser organization, or laboratory licensed under this Act, unless it has obtained a transporting organization license.
  - (n) It is unlawful for any person having a cultivation center license or any officer, associate, representative, or agent of such licensee to offer or deliver money, or anything else of value, directly or indirectly to any person having an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or to any person connected with or in any way representing, or to any member of the family of, such person holding an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or to any stockholders in any corporation engaged in the retail sale of cannabis, or to any officer, manager, agent,

- 1 representative of the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 2 Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing
- 3 Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 4 License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license
- 5 issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program
- 6 Act to obtain preferential placement within the dispensing
- 7 organization, including, without limitation, on shelves and in
- 8 display cases where purchasers can view products, or on the
- 9 dispensing organization's website.
- 10 (o) A cultivation center must comply with any other
- 11 requirements or prohibitions set by administrative rule of the
- 12 Department of Agriculture.
- 13 (p) A cultivation center may not be located within 2,500
- 14 feet of the property line of a pre-existing public or private
- 15 preschool or elementary or secondary school or day care
- 16 center, day care home, group day care home, part day child care
- facility, or an area zoned for residential use.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 19 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 20 5-13-22.)
- 21 (410 ILCS 705/20-45)
- Sec. 20-45. Renewal of cultivation center licenses and
- 23 agent identification cards.
- 24 (a) Licenses and identification cards issued under this
- 25 Act shall be renewed annually. A cultivation center shall

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receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of its current license that the license will expire. The Department of Agriculture shall grant a renewal within 45 days of submission of a renewal application if:

- the cultivation center submits application and the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$100,000, or another amount as the Department Agriculture may set by rule after January 1, 2021, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. On or after July 1, 2025, the Cultivation Center License renewal fee shall be \$200,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. Licensees that have not yet renewed their medical permit in calendar year 2025 by July 1, 2025 shall remit \$100,000 by December 31, 2025 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. Licensees that renewed both a Cultivation Center License and a Medical Cultivation Center Permit under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Act between March 1, 2025 and July 1, 2025 do not owe any additional fees until the next renewal period.
- (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended the license of the cultivation center or suspended or revoked the license for violating this Act or rules adopted under this Act;
- (3) the cultivation center has continued to operate in accordance with all plans submitted as part of its application and approved by the Department of Agriculture

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- or any amendments thereto that have been approved by the
  Department of Agriculture;
  - (4) the cultivation center has submitted an agent, employee, contracting, and subcontracting diversity report as required by the Department; and
- 6 (5) the cultivation center has submitted an environmental impact report.
  - (b) If a cultivation center fails to renew its license before expiration, it shall cease operations until its license is renewed.
    - (c) If a cultivation center agent fails to renew his or her identification card before its expiration, he or she shall cease to work as an agent of the cultivation center until his or her identification card is renewed.
    - (d) Any cultivation center that continues to operate, or any cultivation center agent who continues to work as an agent, after the applicable license or identification card has expired without renewal is subject to the penalties provided under Section 45-5.
- 20 <u>(e) The Department of Agriculture shall not renew a</u>
  21 <u>license or an agent identification card if the applicant is</u>
  22 <u>delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any</u>
- 23 <u>amounts owed to the State of Illinois</u>
- 24 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 25 (410 ILCS 705/20-50 rep.)

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- 1 Section 40. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- 2 by repealing Section 20-50.
- 3 Section 45. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- 4 by changing Sections 25-35, 30-35, and 30-45 as follows:
- 5 (410 ILCS 705/25-35)
- 6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2026)
- 7 Sec. 25-35. Community College Cannabis Vocational Training
- 8 Pilot Program faculty participant agent identification card.
- 9 (a) The Department shall:
  - (1) establish by rule the information required in an initial application or renewal application for an agent identification card submitted under this Article and the nonrefundable fee to accompany the initial application or renewal application;
    - (2) verify the information contained in an initial application or renewal application for an agent identification card submitted under this Article, and approve or deny an application within 30 days of receiving a completed initial application or renewal application and all supporting documentation required by rule;
    - (3) issue an agent identification card to a qualifying agent within 15 business days of approving the initial application or renewal application;
      - (4) enter the license number of the community college

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- (5) allow for an electronic initial application and renewal application process, and provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that an application has been submitted. Each Department may by rule require prospective agents to file their applications by electronic means and to provide notices to the agents by electronic means.
- (b) An agent must keep his or her identification card visible at all times when in the enclosed, locked facility, or facilities for which he or she is an agent.
- 11 (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the 12 following:
  - (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 14 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the identification card;
  - (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 letters that is unique to the holder;
    - (4) a photograph of the cardholder; and
- 20 (5) the legal name of the community college employing 21 the agent.
- 22 (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately 23 returned to the community college of the agent upon 24 termination of his or her employment.
- 25 (e) Any agent identification card lost shall be reported 26 to the Illinois State Police and the Department of Agriculture

- 1 immediately upon discovery of the loss.
- 2 (f) An agent applicant may begin employment at a Community
- 3 College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot Program while the
- 4 agent applicant's identification card application is pending.
- 5 Upon approval, the Department shall issue the agent's
- 6 identification card to the agent. If denied, the Community
- 7 College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot Program and the
- 8 agent applicant shall be notified and the agent applicant must
- 9 cease all activity at the Community College Cannabis
- 10 Vocational Training Pilot Program immediately.
- 11 (g) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue an agent
- 12 identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing
- any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the
- 14 State of Illinois.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21;
- 16 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)
- 17 (410 ILCS 705/30-35)
- 18 Sec. 30-35. Craft grower agent identification card.
- 19 (a) The Department of Agriculture shall:
- 20 (1) establish by rule the information required in an
- 21 initial application or renewal application for an agent
- 22 identification card submitted under this Act and the
- 23 nonrefundable fee to accompany the initial application or
- 24 renewal application;
- 25 (2) verify the information contained in an initial

- application or renewal application for an agent identification card submitted under this Act and approve or deny an application within 30 days of receiving a completed initial application or renewal application and all supporting documentation required by rule;
  - (3) issue an agent identification card to a qualifying agent within 15 business days of approving the initial application or renewal application;
  - (4) enter the license number of the craft grower where the agent works; and
  - (5) allow for an electronic initial application and renewal application process, and provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that an application has been submitted. The Department of Agriculture may by rule require prospective agents to file their applications by electronic means and provide notices to the agents by electronic means.
  - (b) An agent must keep his or her identification card visible at all times when on the property of a cannabis business establishment, including the craft grower organization for which he or she is an agent.
- 22 (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the following:
  - (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 25 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the identification card;

- 1 (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification 2 number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 3 letters that is unique to the holder;
  - (4) a photograph of the cardholder; and
- 5 (5) the legal name of the craft grower organization 6 employing the agent.
- 7 (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately 8 returned to the cannabis business establishment of the agent 9 upon termination of his or her employment.
- 10 (e) Any agent identification card lost by a craft grower
  11 agent shall be reported to the Illinois State Police and the
  12 Department of Agriculture immediately upon discovery of the
  13 loss.
- 14 <u>(f) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue an agent</u>
  15 <u>identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing</u>
  16 <u>any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the</u>
  17 State of Illinois.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 19 (410 ILCS 705/30-45)
- 20 Sec. 30-45. Renewal of craft grower licenses and agent identification cards.
- 22 (a) Licenses and identification cards issued under this 23 Act shall be renewed annually. A craft grower shall receive 24 written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of 25 its current license that the license will expire. The

- Department of Agriculture shall grant a renewal within 45 days of submission of a renewal application if:
  - (1) the craft grower submits a renewal application and the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$40,000, or another amount as the Department of Agriculture may set by rule after January 1, 2021;
  - (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended the license of the craft grower or suspended or revoked the license for violating this Act or rules adopted under this Act:
  - (3) the craft grower has continued to operate in accordance with all plans submitted as part of its application and approved by the Department of Agriculture or any amendments thereto that have been approved by the Department of Agriculture;
  - (4) the craft grower has submitted an agent, employee, contracting, and subcontracting diversity report as required by the Department; and
  - (5) the craft grower has submitted an environmental impact report.
  - (b) If a craft grower fails to renew its license before expiration, it shall cease operations until its license is renewed.
  - (c) If a craft grower agent fails to renew his or her identification card before its expiration, he or she shall cease to work as an agent of the craft grower organization

- 1 until his or her identification card is renewed.
- 2 (d) Any craft grower that continues to operate, or any
- 3 craft grower agent who continues to work as an agent, after the
- 4 applicable license or identification card has expired without
- 5 renewal is subject to the penalties provided under Section
- 6 45-5.
- 7 (e) All fees or fines collected from the renewal of a craft
- 8 grower license shall be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation
- 9 Fund.
- 10 <u>(f) The Department of Agriculture shall not renew a</u>
- 11 license or an agent identification card if the applicant is
- delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any
- amounts owed to the State of Illinois
- 14 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 15 (410 ILCS 705/30-50 rep.)
- Section 50. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- 17 by repealing Section 30-50.
- 18 Section 55. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- 19 by changing Sections 35-25, 35-30, 55-5, 55-10, 55-85, 60-5,
- 20 60-10, 65-5, 65-10, 65-30, 65-38, and 65-42 as follows:
- 21 (410 ILCS 705/35-25)
- 22 Sec. 35-25. Infuser organization requirements;
- 23 prohibitions.

- (a) The operating documents of an infuser shall include procedures for the oversight of the infuser, an inventory monitoring system including a physical inventory recorded weekly, accurate recordkeeping, and a staffing plan.
  - (b) An infuser shall implement a security plan reviewed by the Illinois State Police that includes, but is not limited to: facility access controls, perimeter intrusion detection systems, personnel identification systems, and a 24-hour surveillance system to monitor the interior and exterior of the infuser facility and that is accessible to authorized law enforcement, the Department of Public Health, and the Department of Agriculture in real time.
  - (c) All processing of cannabis by an infuser must take place in an enclosed, locked facility at the physical address provided to the Department of Agriculture during the licensing process. The infuser location shall only be accessed by the agents working for the infuser, the Department of Agriculture staff performing inspections, the Department of Public Health staff performing inspections, State and local law enforcement or other emergency personnel, contractors working on jobs unrelated to cannabis, such as installing or maintaining security devices or performing electrical wiring, transporting organization agents as provided in this Act, participants in the incubator program, individuals in a mentoring or educational program approved by the State, local safety or health inspectors, or other individuals as provided by rule.

- However, if an infuser shares a premises with a craft grower or dispensing organization, agents from these other licensees may access the infuser portion of the premises if that is the location of common bathrooms, lunchrooms, locker rooms, or other areas of the building where processing of cannabis is not performed. At no time may a craft grower or dispensing organization agent perform work at an infuser without being a registered agent of the infuser.
  - (d) An infuser may not sell or distribute any cannabis to any person other than a dispensing organization, or as otherwise authorized by rule.
  - (e) An infuser may not either directly or indirectly discriminate in price between different cannabis business establishments that are purchasing a like grade, strain, brand, and quality of cannabis or cannabis-infused product. Nothing in this subsection (e) prevents an infuser from pricing cannabis differently based on differences in the cost of manufacturing or processing, the quantities sold, such volume discounts, or the way the products are delivered.
  - (f) All cannabis infused by an infuser and intended for distribution to a dispensing organization must be entered into a data collection system, packaged and labeled under Section 55-21, and, if distribution is to a dispensing organization that does not share a premises with the infuser, placed into a cannabis container for transport. All cannabis produced by an infuser and intended for distribution to a cultivation center,

- 1 infuser organization, or craft grower with which it does not
- 2 share a premises, must be packaged in a labeled cannabis
- 3 container and entered into a data collection system before
- 4 transport.
- 5 (g) Infusers are subject to random inspections by the
- 6 Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health,
- 7 the Illinois State Police, local law enforcement, or as
- 8 provided by rule.
- 9 (h) An infuser agent shall notify local law enforcement,
- 10 the Illinois State Police, and the Department of Agriculture
- 11 within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or theft.
- 12 Notification shall be made by phone, in person, or by written
- or electronic communication.
- 14 (i) An infuser organization may not be located in an area
- 15 zoned for residential use.
- 16 (j) An infuser or infuser agent shall not transport
- 17 cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any other cannabis
- 18 business establishment without a transport organization
- 19 license unless:
- 20 (i) If the infuser is located in a county with a
- 21 population of 3,000,000 or more, the cannabis business
- 22 establishment receiving the cannabis or cannabis-infused
- product is within 2,000 feet of the property line of the
- 24 infuser;
- 25 (ii) If the infuser is located in a county with a
- population of more than 700,000 but fewer than 3,000,000,

- the cannabis business establishment receiving the cannabis or cannabis-infused product is within 2 miles of the infuser; or
  - (iii) If the infuser is located in a county with a population of fewer than 700,000, the cannabis business establishment receiving the cannabis or cannabis-infused product is within 15 miles of the infuser.
  - (k) An infuser may enter into a contract with a transporting organization to transport cannabis to a dispensing organization or a laboratory.
  - (1) An infuser organization may share premises with a craft grower or a dispensing organization, or both, provided each licensee stores currency and cannabis or cannabis-infused products in a separate secured vault to which the other licensee does not have access or all licensees sharing a vault share more than 50% of the same ownership.
  - (m) It is unlawful for any person or entity having an infuser organization license or any officer, associate, member, representative or agent of such licensee to offer or deliver money, or anything else of value, directly or indirectly to any person having an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or to any person connected with

or in any way representing, or to any member of the family of, 1 2 such person holding an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 3 Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization 5 License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program 6 7 Act, or to any stockholders in any corporation engaged the 8 retail sales of cannabis, or to any officer, manager, agent, 9 or representative of the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing 10 Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization 11 12 License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license 13 issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program 14 Act to obtain preferential placement within the dispensing organization, including, without limitation, on shelves and in 15 16 display cases where purchasers can view products, or on the 17 dispensing organization's website.

- (n) At no time shall an infuser organization or an infuser agent perform the extraction of cannabis concentrate from cannabis flower, except if the infuser organization has also been issued a processor license under Section 35-31(f).
- 22 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 23 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 24 5-13-22.)

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- 1 Sec. 35-30. Infuser agent identification card.
  - (a) The Department of Agriculture shall:
    - (1) establish by rule the information required in an initial application or renewal application for an agent identification card submitted under this Act and the nonrefundable fee to accompany the initial application or renewal application;
    - (2) verify the information contained in an initial application or renewal application for an agent identification card submitted under this Act, and approve or deny an application within 30 days of receiving a completed initial application or renewal application and all supporting documentation required by rule;
    - (3) issue an agent identification card to a qualifying agent within 15 business days of approving the initial application or renewal application;
    - (4) enter the license number of the infuser where the agent works; and
    - (5) allow for an electronic initial application and renewal application process, and provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that an application has been submitted. The Department of Agriculture may by rule require prospective agents to file their applications by electronic means and provide notices to the agents by electronic means.
    - (b) An agent must keep his or her identification card

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- 1 visible at all times when on the property of a cannabis
- 2 business establishment including the cannabis business
- 3 establishment for which he or she is an agent.
- 4 (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the following:
- 6 (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 7 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the identification card;
  - (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 letters that is unique to the holder;
    - (4) a photograph of the cardholder; and
- 13 (5) the legal name of the infuser organization 14 employing the agent.
- 15 (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately 16 returned to the infuser organization of the agent upon 17 termination of his or her employment.
  - (e) Any agent identification card lost by a transporting agent shall be reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department of Agriculture immediately upon discovery of the loss.
  - (f) An agent applicant may begin employment at an infuser organization while the agent applicant's identification card application is pending. Upon approval, the Department shall issue the agent's identification card to the agent. If denied, the infuser organization and the agent applicant shall be

- 1 notified and the agent applicant must cease all activity at
- 2 the infuser organization immediately.
- 3 (g) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue an agent
- 4 identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing
- 5 any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the
- 6 State of Illinois.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21;
- 8 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)
- 9 (410 ILCS 705/55-5)
- 10 Sec. 55-5. Preparation of cannabis-infused products.
- 11 (a) The Department of Agriculture may regulate the
- 12 production of cannabis-infused products by a cultivation
- 13 center, a craft grower, an infuser organization, or a
- 14 dispensing organization and establish rules related to
- 15 refrigeration, hot-holding, and handling of cannabis-infused
- 16 products. All cannabis-infused products shall meet the
- 17 packaging and labeling requirements contained in Section
- 18 55-21.
- 19 (b) Cannabis-infused products for sale or distribution at
- 20 a dispensing organization must be prepared by an approved
- 21 agent of a cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser
- 22 organization.
- 23 (c) A cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser
- 24 organization that prepares cannabis-infused products for sale
- 25 or distribution by a dispensing organization shall be under

- the operational supervision of a Department of Public Health certified food service sanitation manager.
- 3 (d) Dispensing organizations may not manufacture, process,
  4 or produce cannabis-infused products.
  - (e) The Department of Public Health shall adopt and enforce rules for the manufacture and processing of cannabis-infused products, and for that purpose it may at all times enter every building, room, basement, enclosure, or premises occupied or used, or suspected of being occupied or used, for the production, preparation, manufacture for sale, storage, sale, processing, distribution, or transportation of cannabis-infused products, and to inspect the premises together with all utensils, fixtures, furniture, and machinery used for the preparation of these products.
  - (f) The Department of Agriculture shall by rule establish a maximum level of THC that may be contained in each serving of cannabis-infused product, and within the product package.
  - (g) If a local public health agency has a reasonable belief that a cannabis-infused product poses a public health hazard, it may refer the cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser that manufactured or processed the cannabis-infused product to the Department of Public Health. If the Department of Public Health finds that a cannabis-infused product poses a health hazard, it may bring an action for immediate injunctive relief to require that action be taken as the court may deem necessary to meet the hazard of the cultivation facility or

- 1 seek other relief as provided by rule.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 705/55-10)
- 4 Sec. 55-10. Maintenance of inventory. Through June 30, 5 2025, all All dispensing organizations authorized to serve 6 both registered qualifying patients and caregivers 7 required to report which cannabis purchasers are and 8 cannabis-infused products are purchased for sale under the 9 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, and which 10 cannabis and cannabis-infused products are purchased under 11 this Act. Nothing in this Section prohibits a registered 12 qualifying patient under the Compassionate Use of Medical 1.3 Cannabis Program Act from purchasing cannabis as a purchaser 14 under this Act.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 16 (410 ILCS 705/55-85)
- 17 Sec. 55-85. Medical cannabis.
- 18 (a) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit any
  19 privileges or rights of a <u>qualifying medical cannabis</u> patient
  20 including minor patients, <u>designated primary</u> caregiver,
  21 medical cannabis cultivation center, or medical cannabis
  22 dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical
  23 Cannabis Program Act, and where there is conflict between this
  24 Act and the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act

- as they relate to medical cannabis patients, the Compassionate
  Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall prevail.
- (b) Dispensary locations that obtain an Early Approval 3 Adult Use Dispensary Organization License or an Adult Use 4 Dispensary Organization License in accordance with this Act at 5 the same location as a medical cannabis dispensing 6 7 organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall maintain an inventory of medical 8 9 cannabis and medical cannabis products on a monthly basis that 10 is substantially similar in variety and quantity to the 11 products offered at the dispensary during the 6-month period 12 immediately before the effective date of this Act.
- (c) Beginning June 30, 2020, the Department of Agriculture

  shall make a quarterly determination whether inventory

  requirements established for dispensaries in subsection (b)

  should be adjusted due to changing patient need.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 18 (410 ILCS 705/60-5)
- 19 Sec. 60-5. Definitions. In this Article:
- "Cannabis" has the meaning given to that term in Article 1
  of this Act, except that, through June 30, 2025, it does not
  include cannabis that is subject to tax under the
  Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- "Craft grower" has the meaning given to that term in Article 1 of this Act.

- "Cultivation center" has the meaning given to that term in
  Article 1 of this Act. On and after July 1, 2025, "cultivation
  center" includes any cultivation center which, prior to July
- 4 <u>1, 2025, was a cultivation center as defined in the</u>
- 5 <u>Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.</u>
- "Cultivator" or "taxpayer" means a cultivation center or craft grower who is subject to tax under this Article. On and after July 1, 2025, "cultivator" includes any cultivator which, prior to July 1, 2025, was a cultivator as defined under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- "Department" means the Department of Revenue.
- "Director" means the Director of Revenue.
- "Dispensing organization" or "dispensary" has the meaning given to that term in Article 1 of this Act.
- "Gross receipts" from the sales of cannabis by a cultivator means the total selling price or the amount of such sales, as defined in this Article. In the case of charges and time sales, the amount thereof shall be included only when payments are received by the cultivator.
- "Person" means a natural individual, firm, partnership,
  association, joint stock company, joint adventure, public or
  private corporation, limited liability company, or a receiver,
  executor, trustee, guardian, or other representative appointed
  by order of any court.
- 25 "Infuser" means "infuser organization" or "infuser" as 26 defined in Article 1 of this Act.

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"Selling price" or of sale" "amount means the consideration for a sale valued in money whether received in money or otherwise, including cash, credits, property, and services, and shall be determined without any deduction on account of the cost of the property sold, the cost of materials used, labor or service cost, or any other expense whatsoever, 7 but does not include separately stated charges identified on the invoice by cultivators to reimburse themselves for their tax liability under this Article.

- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 11 (410 ILCS 705/60-10)
- 12 Sec. 60-10. Tax imposed.
  - (a) Beginning September 1, 2019, a tax is imposed upon the privilege of cultivating cannabis at the rate of 7% of the gross receipts from the first sale of cannabis by a cultivator. The sale of any product that contains any amount of cannabis or any derivative thereof is subject to the tax under this Section on the full selling price of the product. The Department may determine the selling price of the cannabis when the seller and purchaser are affiliated persons, when the sale and purchase of cannabis is not an arm's length transaction, or when cannabis is transferred by a craft grower to the craft grower's dispensing organization or infuser <del>or</del> processing organization and a value is not established for the cannabis. The value determined by the Department shall be

- commensurate with the actual price received for products of like quality, character, and use in the area. If there are no sales of cannabis of like quality, character, and use in the same area, then the Department shall establish a reasonable value based on sales of products of like quality, character, and use in other areas of the State, taking into consideration any other relevant factors.
- 8 (b) The Cannabis Cultivation Privilege Tax imposed under 9 this Article is solely the responsibility of the cultivator 10 who makes the first sale and is not the responsibility of a 11 subsequent purchaser, a dispensing organization, or 12 infuser. Persons subject to the tax imposed under this Article may, however, reimburse themselves for their tax liability 13 14 hereunder by separately stating reimbursement for their tax 15 liability as an additional charge.
- 16 (c) The tax imposed under this Article shall be in 17 addition to all other occupation, privilege, or excise taxes 18 imposed by the State of Illinois or by any unit of local 19 government.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 21 (410 ILCS 705/65-5)
- 22 Sec. 65-5. Definitions. In this Article:
- "Adjusted delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol level" means, for a delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol dominant product, the sum of the percentage of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol plus .877

- 1 multiplied by the percentage of tetrahydrocannabinolic acid.
- 2 "Cannabis" has the meaning given to that term in Article 1
- 3 of this Act, except that through June 30, 2025, it does not
- 4 include cannabis that is subject to tax under the
- 5 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 6 "Cannabis-infused product" means beverage food, oils,
- 7 ointments, tincture, topical formulation, or another product
- 8 containing cannabis that is not intended to be smoked.
- 9 "Cannabis retailer" means a dispensing organization that
- 10 sells cannabis for use and not for resale.
- "Craft grower" has the meaning given to that term in
- 12 Article 1 of this Act.
- "Department" means the Department of Revenue.
- "Director" means the Director of Revenue.
- "Dispensing organization" or "dispensary" has the meaning
- 16 given to that term in Article 1 of this Act.
- "Person" means a natural individual, firm, partnership,
- 18 association, joint stock company, joint adventure, public or
- 19 private corporation, limited liability company, or a receiver,
- 20 executor, trustee, guardian, or other representative appointed
- 21 by order of any court.
- "Infuser organization" or "infuser" means a facility
- operated by an organization or business that is licensed by
- the Department of Agriculture to directly incorporate cannabis
- or cannabis concentrate into a product formulation to produce
- 26 a cannabis-infused product.

"Purchase price" means the consideration paid for a purchase of cannabis, valued in money, whether received in money or otherwise, including cash, gift cards, credits, and property and shall be determined without any deduction on account of the cost of materials used, labor or service costs, or any other expense whatsoever. However, "purchase price" does not include consideration paid for:

- (1) any charge for a payment that is not honored by a financial institution:
- (2) any finance or credit charge, penalty or charge for delayed payment, or discount for prompt payment; and
- (3) any amounts added to a purchaser's bill because of charges made under the tax imposed by this Article, the Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax Law, the County Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax Law, the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, or any locally imposed occupation or use tax.

"Purchaser" means a person who acquires cannabis for a valuable consideration.

"Qualifying patient" or "qualified patient" means a person who has been diagnosed by a certifying health care professional as having a debilitating medical condition as defined under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

"Taxpayer" means a cannabis retailer who is required to

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- 1 collect the tax imposed under this Article.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 705/65-10)
- 4 Sec. 65-10. Tax imposed.
- 5 (a) Beginning January 1, 2020, a tax is imposed upon 6 purchasers for the privilege of using cannabis, and not for 7 the purpose of resale, at the following rates:
- 8 (1) Any cannabis, other than a cannabis-infused 9 product, with an adjusted delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol 10 level at or below 35% shall be taxed at a rate of 10% of 11 the purchase price;
  - (2) Any cannabis, other than a cannabis-infused product, with an adjusted delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol level above 35% shall be taxed at a rate of 25% of the purchase price; and
  - (3) A cannabis-infused product shall be taxed at a rate of 20% of the purchase price.
    - (b) The purchase of any product that contains any amount of cannabis or any derivative thereof is subject to the tax under subsection (a) of this Section on the full purchase price of the product.
    - (c) Through June 30, 2025, the The tax imposed under this Section is not imposed on cannabis that is subject to tax under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. The tax imposed by this Section is not imposed with respect to any

- transaction in interstate commerce, to the extent 1 the 2 transaction may not, under the Constitution and statutes of 3 the United States, be made the subject of taxation by this State. Beginning July 1, 2025, the tax imposed under this 4 Article shall not be imposed on cannabis or cannabis- infused 5 products purchased by a qualified patient, designated 6 7 caregiver, or provisional patient when purchasing cannabis or 8 cannabis-infused products under this Act as part of their 9 adequate medical supply as these terms are defined under 10 Section 1-10 of this Act.
- 11 (d) The tax imposed under this Article shall be in 12 addition to all other occupation, privilege, or excise taxes 13 imposed by the State of Illinois or by any municipal 14 corporation or political subdivision thereof.
- 15 (e) The tax imposed under this Article shall not be 16 imposed on any purchase by a purchaser if the cannabis 17 retailer is prohibited by federal or State Constitution, 18 treaty, convention, statute, or court decision from collecting 19 the tax from the purchaser.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 21 (410 ILCS 705/65-30)
- Sec. 65-30. Return and payment of tax by cannabis retailer. Each cannabis retailer that is required or authorized to collect the tax imposed by this Article shall make a return to the Department, by electronic means, on or

- before the 20th day of each month for the preceding calendar
  month stating the following:
  - (1) the cannabis retailer's name;
  - (2) the address of the cannabis retailer's principal place of business and the address of the principal place of business (if that is a different address) from which the cannabis retailer <u>is</u> engaged in the business of selling cannabis subject to tax under this Article;
  - (3) the total purchase price received by the cannabis retailer for cannabis subject to tax under this Article;
    - (4) the amount of tax due at each rate;
    - (5) the signature of the cannabis retailer; and
- 13 (6) any other information as the Department may 14 reasonably require.
  - All returns required to be filed and payments required to be made under this Article shall be by electronic means. Cannabis retailers who demonstrate hardship in paying electronically may petition the Department to waive the electronic payment requirement.
  - Any amount that is required to be shown or reported on any return or other document under this Article shall, if the amount is not a whole-dollar amount, be increased to the nearest whole-dollar amount if the fractional part of a dollar is \$0.50 or more and decreased to the nearest whole-dollar amount if the fractional part of a dollar is less than \$0.50. If a total amount of less than \$1 is payable, refundable, or

creditable, the amount shall be disregarded if it is less than \$0.50 and shall be increased to \$1 if it is \$0.50 or more.

The cannabis retailer making the return provided for in this Section shall also pay to the Department, in accordance with this Section, the amount of tax imposed by this Article, less a discount of 1.75%, but not to exceed \$1,000 per return period, which is allowed to reimburse the cannabis retailer for the expenses incurred in keeping records, collecting tax, preparing and filing returns, remitting the tax, and supplying data to the Department upon request. No discount may be claimed by a cannabis retailer on returns not timely filed and for taxes not timely remitted. No discount may be claimed by a taxpayer for any return that is not filed electronically. No discount may be claimed by a taxpayer for any payment that is not made electronically, unless a waiver has been granted under this Section.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article concerning the time within which a cannabis retailer may file a return, any such cannabis retailer who ceases to engage in the kind of business that makes the person responsible for filing returns under this Article shall file a final return under this Article with the Department within one month after discontinuing the business.

Each cannabis retailer shall make estimated payments to the Department on or before the 7th, 15th, 22nd, and last day of the month during which tax liability to the Department is

incurred. The payments shall be in an amount not less than the lower of either 22.5% of the cannabis retailer's actual tax liability for the month or 25% of the cannabis retailer's actual tax liability for the same calendar month of the preceding year. The amount of the quarter-monthly payments shall be credited against the final tax liability of the cannabis retailer's return for that month. If any such quarter-monthly payment is not paid at the time or in the amount required by this Section, then the cannabis retailer shall be liable for penalties and interest on the difference between the minimum amount due as a payment and the amount of the quarter-monthly payment actually and timely paid, except insofar as the cannabis retailer has previously made payments for that month to the Department in excess of the minimum payments previously due as provided in this Section.

If any payment provided for in this Section exceeds the taxpayer's liabilities under this Article, as shown on an original monthly return, the Department shall, if requested by the taxpayer, issue to the taxpayer a credit memorandum no later than 30 days after the date of payment. The credit evidenced by the credit memorandum may be assigned by the taxpayer to a similar taxpayer under this Article, in accordance with reasonable rules to be prescribed by the Department. If no such request is made, the taxpayer may credit the excess payment against tax liability subsequently to be remitted to the Department under this Article, in

- 1 accordance with reasonable rules prescribed by the Department.
- 2 If the Department subsequently determines that all or any part
- 3 of the credit taken was not actually due to the taxpayer, the
- 4 taxpayer's discount shall be reduced, if necessary, to reflect
- 5 the difference between the credit taken and that actually due,
- 6 and that taxpayer shall be liable for penalties and interest
- 7 on the difference. If a cannabis retailer fails to sign a
- 8 return within 30 days after the proper notice and demand for
- 9 signature by the Department is received by the cannabis
- 10 retailer, the return shall be considered valid and any amount
- shown to be due on the return shall be deemed assessed.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 13 (410 ILCS 705/65-38)
- 14 Sec. 65-38. Violations and penalties.
- 15 (a) When the amount due is under \$300, any retailer of
- 16 cannabis who fails to file a return, willfully fails or
- 17 refuses to make any payment to the Department of the tax
- 18 imposed by this Article, or files a fraudulent return, or any
- 19 officer or agent of a corporation engaged in the business of
- 20 selling cannabis to purchasers located in this State who signs
- 21 a fraudulent return filed on behalf of the corporation, or any
- 22 accountant or other agent who knowingly enters false
- 23 information on the return of any taxpayer under this Article
- is guilty of a Class 4 felony.
- 25 (b) When the amount due is \$300 or more, any retailer of

- cannabis who files, or causes to be filed, a fraudulent return, or any officer or agent of a corporation engaged in the business of selling cannabis to purchasers located in this State who files or causes to be filed or signs or causes to be signed a fraudulent return filed on behalf of the corporation, or any accountant or other agent who knowingly enters false information on the return of any taxpayer under this Article is guilty of a Class 3 felony.
  - (c) Any person who violates any provision of Section 65-20, or fails to keep books and records as required under this Article, or willfully violates a rule of the Department for the administration and enforcement of this Article is guilty of a Class 4 felony. A person commits a separate offense on each day that he or she engages in business in violation of Section 65-20 or a rule of the Department for the administration and enforcement of this Article. If a person fails to produce the books and records for inspection by the Department upon request, a prima facie presumption shall arise that the person has failed to keep books and records as required under this Article. A person who is unable to rebut this presumption is in violation of this Article and is subject to the penalties provided in this Section.
  - (d) Any person who violates any provision of Sections 65-20, fails to keep books and records as required under this Article, or willfully violates a rule of the Department for the administration and enforcement of this Article, is guilty

of a business offense and may be fined up to \$5,000. If a person fails to produce books and records for inspection by the Department upon request, a prima facie presumption shall arise that the person has failed to keep books and records as required under this Article. A person who is unable to rebut this presumption is in violation of this Article and is subject to the penalties provided in this Section. A person commits a separate offense on each day that he or she engages in business in violation of a rule of the Department for the administration and enforcement of this Article Section 65 20.

- (e) Any taxpayer or agent of a taxpayer who with the intent to defraud purports to make a payment due to the Department by issuing or delivering a check or other order upon a real or fictitious depository for the payment of money, knowing that it will not be paid by the depository, is guilty of a deceptive practice in violation of Section 17-1 of the Criminal Code of 2012.
- (f) Any person who fails to keep books and records or fails to produce books and records for inspection, as required by Section 65-36, is liable to pay to the Department, for deposit in the Tax Compliance and Administration Fund, a penalty of \$1,000 for the first failure to keep books and records or failure to produce books and records for inspection, as required by Section 65-36, and \$3,000 for each subsequent failure to keep books and records or failure to produce books and records for inspection, as required by Section 65-36.

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- (g) Any person who knowingly acts as a retailer of cannabis in this State without first having obtained a certificate of registration to do so in compliance with Section 65-20 of this Article shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.
- (h) A person commits the offense of tax evasion under this Article when he or she knowingly attempts in any manner to evade or defeat the tax imposed on him or her or on any other person, or the payment thereof, and he or she commits an affirmative act in furtherance of the evasion. As used in this Section, "affirmative act in furtherance of the evasion" means an act designed in whole or in part to (i) conceal, misrepresent, falsify, or manipulate any material fact or (ii) tamper with or destroy documents or materials related to a person's tax liability under this Article. Two or more acts of sales tax evasion may be charged as a single count in any indictment, information, or complaint and the amount of tax deficiency may be aggregated for purposes of determining the amount of tax that is attempted to be or is evaded and the period between the first and last acts may be alleged as the date of the offense.
  - (1) When the amount of tax, the assessment or payment of which is attempted to be or is evaded is less than \$500, a person is guilty of a Class 4 felony.
  - (2) When the amount of tax, the assessment or payment of which is attempted to be or is evaded is \$500 or more

- but less than \$10,000, a person is guilty of a Class 3
  felony.
  - (3) When the amount of tax, the assessment or payment of which is attempted to be or is evaded is \$10,000 or more but less than \$100,000, a person is guilty of a Class 2 felony.
- 7 (4) When the amount of tax, the assessment or payment 8 of which is attempted to be or is evaded is \$100,000 or 9 more, a person is guilty of a Class 1 felony.
  - Any person who knowingly sells, purchases, installs, transfers, possesses, uses, or accesses any automated sales suppression device, zapper, or phantom-ware in this State is guilty of a Class 3 felony.

As used in this Section:

"Automated sales suppression device" or "zapper" means a software program that falsifies the electronic records of an electronic cash register or other point-of-sale system, including, but not limited to, transaction data and transaction reports. The term includes the software program, any device that carries the software program, or an Internet link to the software program.

"Phantom-ware" means a hidden programming option embedded in the operating system of an electronic cash register or hardwired into an electronic cash register that can be used to create a second set of records or that can eliminate or manipulate transaction records in an electronic cash register.

"Electronic cash register" means a device that keeps a register or supporting documents through the use of an electronic device or computer system designed to record transaction data for the purpose of computing, compiling, or processing retail sales transaction data in any manner.

"Transaction data" includes: items purchased by a purchaser; the price of each item; a taxability determination for each item; a segregated tax amount for each taxed item; the amount of cash or credit tendered; the net amount returned to the customer in change; the date and time of the purchase; the name, address, and identification number of the vendor; and the receipt or invoice number of the transaction.

"Transaction report" means a report that documents, without limitation, the sales, taxes, or fees collected, media totals, and discount voids at an electronic cash register and that is printed on a cash register tape at the end of a day or shift, or a report that documents every action at an electronic cash register and is stored electronically.

A prosecution for any act in violation of this Section may be commenced at any time within 5 years of the commission of that act.

- (i) The Department may adopt rules to administer the penalties under this Section.
- (j) Any person whose principal place of business is in this State and who is charged with a violation under this Section shall be tried in the county where his or her principal

- place of business is located unless he or she asserts a right to be tried in another venue.
- 3 (k) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (h), a 4 prosecution for a violation described in this Section may be 5 commenced within 3 years after the commission of the act 6 constituting the violation.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)

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Sec. 65-42. Seizure and forfeiture. After seizing any cannabis as provided in Section 65-41, the Department must hold a hearing and determine whether (i) the retailer was properly registered to sell the cannabis; (ii) the retailer possessed the cannabis in violation of this Act; (iii) the retailer possessed the cannabis in violation of any reasonable rule or regulation adopted by the Department for the enforcement of this Act; or (iv) the tax imposed by Article 60 had been paid on the cannabis at the time of its seizure by the Department. The Department is not required to hold such a hearing if a waiver and consent to forfeiture has been executed by the owner of the cannabis, if the owner is known, and by the person in whose possession the cannabis so taken was found, if that person is known and if that person is not the owner of said cannabis. The Department shall give not less than 20 days' notice of the time and place of the hearing to the owner of the cannabis, if the owner is known, and also to

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the person in whose possession the cannabis was found, if that person is known and if the person in possession is not the owner of the cannabis. If neither the owner nor the person in possession of the cannabis is known, the Department must cause publication of the time and place of the hearing to be made at least once in each week for 3 weeks successively in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the hearing is to be held.

If, as the result of the hearing, the Department makes any of the findings listed in (i) through (iv) above determines that the retailer was not properly registered at the time the cannabis was seized, or upon receipt of a properly executed waiver and consent to forfeiture as provided in this Section, the Department must enter an order declaring the cannabis confiscated and forfeited to the State, to be held by the Department for disposal by it as provided in Section 65-43. The Department must give notice of the order to the owner of the cannabis, if the owner is known, and also to the person in whose possession the cannabis was found, if that person is known and if the person in possession is not the owner of the cannabis. If neither the owner nor the person in possession of the cannabis is known, the Department must cause publication of the order to be made at least once in each week for 3 weeks successively in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the hearing was held.

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