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A bill for an act

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H. F. No. 3310

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relating to health; clarifying the ability of registered designated caregivers to be 1.2 enrolled in the medical cannabis registry program as patients; amending Minnesota 13 Statutes 2016, section 152.27, subdivision 4. 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 152.27, subdivision 4, is amended to read: 1.6 Subd. 4. Registered designated caregiver. (a) The commissioner shall register a 1.7 designated caregiver for a patient if the patient's health care practitioner has certified that 1.8 the patient, in the health care practitioner's medical opinion, is developmentally or physically 1.9 disabled and, as a result of that disability, the patient is unable to self-administer medication 1.10 or acquire medical cannabis from a distribution facility and the caregiver has agreed, in 1.11 writing, to be the patient's designated caregiver. As a condition of registration as a designated 1.12 caregiver, the commissioner shall require the person to: 1.13 (1) be at least 21 years of age; 1.14 (2) agree to only possess any the patient's medical cannabis for purposes of assisting the 1.15 patient; and 1.16 (3) agree that if the application is approved, the person will not be a registered designated 1.17 caregiver for more than one patient, unless the patients reside in the same residence. 1.18

(b) The commissioner shall conduct a criminal background check on the designated

disqualifying felony offense. Any cost of the background check shall be paid by the person

caregiver prior to registration to ensure that the person does not have a conviction for a

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seeking registration as a designated caregiver.

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(c) Nothing in sections 152.22 to 152.37 shall be construed to prevent a person registered
as a designated caregiver from also being enrolled in the registry program as a patient and
possessing and using medical cannabis as a patient.

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