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H. F. No. **3485**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy
03/16/2020 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Finance Division

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to health; modifying the medical cannabis program; allowing vaporization
- 1.3 of flower, dried leaves, or plant form; making changes to the definition of qualifying
- 1.4 medical condition; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 152.22, subdivision
- 1.5 14; Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 152.22, subdivision 6.
- 1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 152.22, subdivision 6, is amended
- 1.8 to read:
- 1.9 Subd. 6. **Medical cannabis.** (a) "Medical cannabis" means any species of the genus
- 1.10 cannabis plant, or any mixture or preparation of them, including whole plant extracts and
- 1.11 resins, and is delivered in the form of:
- 1.12 (1) liquid, including, but not limited to, oil;
- 1.13 (2) pill;
- 1.14 (3) vaporized delivery method with use of liquid or₂ oil ~~but which does not require the~~
- 1.15 ~~use of dried leaves or plant form,~~ or raw cannabis; or
- 1.16 (4) any other method, excluding smoking, approved by the commissioner.
- 1.17 (b) This definition includes any part of the genus cannabis plant prior to being processed
- 1.18 into a form allowed under paragraph (a), that is possessed by a person while that person is
- 1.19 engaged in employment duties necessary to carry out a requirement under sections 152.22
- 1.20 to 152.37 for a registered manufacturer or a laboratory under contract with a registered
- 1.21 manufacturer. This definition also includes any hemp acquired by a manufacturer by a hemp
- 1.22 grower as permitted under section 152.29, subdivision 1, paragraph (b).

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 152.22, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 14. **Qualifying medical condition.** "Qualifying medical condition" means a
2.3 diagnosis of any of the following conditions:

2.4 (1) ~~cancer, if the underlying condition or treatment produces one or more of the~~
2.5 ~~following;~~

2.6 ~~(i) severe or chronic pain;~~

2.7 ~~(ii) nausea or severe vomiting; or~~

2.8 ~~(iii) cachexia or severe wasting;~~

2.9 (2) glaucoma;

2.10 (3) human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immune deficiency syndrome;

2.11 (4) Tourette's syndrome;

2.12 (5) amyotrophic lateral sclerosis;

2.13 (6) seizures, including those characteristic of epilepsy;

2.14 (7) severe and persistent muscle spasms, including those characteristic of multiple
2.15 sclerosis;

2.16 (8) inflammatory bowel disease, including Crohn's disease;

2.17 (9) terminal illness, with a probable life expectancy of under one year, ~~if the illness or~~
2.18 ~~its treatment produces one or more of the following; or~~

2.19 ~~(i) severe or chronic pain;~~

2.20 ~~(ii) nausea or severe vomiting; or~~

2.21 ~~(iii) cachexia or severe wasting; or~~

2.22 (10) any other medical condition or its treatment approved by the commissioner.