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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 90

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 90 by replacing

3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 3. The Department of Professional Regulation Law

of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by

6 changing Section 2105-117 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-117)

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8 Sec. 2105-117. Confidentiality. All information collected

9 by the Department in the course of an examination or

10 investigation of a licensee, registrant, or applicant,

11 including, but not limited to, any complaint against a

12 licensee or registrant filed with the Department and

information collected to investigate any such complaint, shall

be maintained for the confidential use of the Department and

shall not be disclosed. The Department may not disclose the

information to anyone other than law enforcement officials,

- 1 other regulatory agencies that have an appropriate regulatory 2 determined by the Director, the Office of interest as Executive Inspector General, or a party presenting a lawful 3 4 subpoena to the Department. Information and documents 5 disclosed to a federal, State, county, or local 6 enforcement agency, including the Executive Inspector General, shall not be disclosed by the agency for any purpose to any 7 other agency or person, except as necessary to those involved 8 in enforcing the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. A 9 10 formal complaint filed against a licensee or registrant by the 11 Department or any order issued by the Department against a licensee, registrant, or applicant shall be a public record, 12 13 except as otherwise prohibited by law. (Source: P.A. 99-227, eff. 8-3-15.) 14
- Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by changing Section 1-10 as follows:
- 17 (30 ILCS 500/1-10)
- 18 Sec. 1-10. Application.
- 19 (a) This Code applies only to procurements for which
 20 bidders, offerors, potential contractors, or contractors were
 21 first solicited on or after July 1, 1998. This Code shall not
 22 be construed to affect or impair any contract, or any
 23 provision of a contract, entered into based on a solicitation
 24 prior to the implementation date of this Code as described in

- 1 Article 99, including, but not limited to, any covenant
- entered into with respect to any revenue bonds or similar 2
- 3 instruments. All procurements for which contracts
- 4 solicited between the effective date of Articles 50 and 99 and
- 5 July 1, 1998 shall be substantially in accordance with this
- Code and its intent. 6
- (b) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of the 7
- 8 funds with which the contracts are paid, including federal
- 9 assistance moneys. This Code shall not apply to:
- 10 (1) Contracts between the State and its political
- 11 subdivisions or other governments, or between State
- governmental bodies, except as specifically provided in 12
- 13 this Code.
- 14 (2) Grants, except for the filing requirements of
- 15 Section 20-80.
- 16 (3) Purchase of care, except as provided in Section
- 5-30.6 of the Illinois Public Aid Code and this Section. 17
- 18 (4) Hiring of an individual as an employee and not as
- 19 independent contractor, whether pursuant to an
- 20 employment code or policy or by contract directly with
- that individual. 2.1
- 22 (5) Collective bargaining contracts.
- 23 (6) Purchase of real estate, except that notice of
- 24 this type of contract with a value of more than \$25,000
- 25 must be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 10
- 26 calendar days after the deed is recorded in the county of

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jurisdiction. The notice shall identify the real estate purchased, the names of all parties to the contract, the value of the contract, and the effective date of the contract.

- (7) Contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated litigation, enforcement actions, or investigations, provided that the chief legal counsel to the Governor shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring agency is one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor, and provided that the chief legal counsel of any other procuring entity subject to this Code shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring entity is not one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor.
 - (8) (Blank).
- (9) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois Conservation Foundation when only private funds are used.
 - (10) (Blank).
- (11) Public-private agreements entered into according to the procurement requirements of Section 20 of the Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act and design-build agreements entered into according to the procurement requirements of Section 25 of the Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act.
- (12) (A) Contracts for legal, financial, and other professional and artistic services entered into by the Illinois Finance Authority in which the State of Illinois

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is not obligated. Such contracts shall be awarded through a competitive process authorized by the members of the Illinois Finance Authority and are subject to Sections 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35, and 50-37 of this Code, as well as the final approval by the members of the Illinois Finance Authority of the terms of the contract.

- (B) Contracts for legal and financial services entered into by the Illinois Housing Development Authority in connection with the issuance of bonds in which the State of Illinois is not obligated. Such contracts shall be awarded through a competitive process authorized by the members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority and are subject to Sections 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35, and 50-37 of this Code, as well as the final approval by the members of the Illinois Housing Development Authority of the terms of the contract.
- equipment to support the delivery of timely forensic science services in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Chief Procurement Officer as provided in subsection (d) of Section 5-4-3a of the Unified Code of Corrections, except for the requirements of Sections 20-60, 20-65, 20-70, and 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code; however, the Chief Procurement Officer may, in writing with justification, waive any certification required under Article 50 of this Code. For any contracts

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for services which are currently provided by members of a collective bargaining agreement, the applicable terms of the collective bargaining agreement concerning subcontracting shall be followed.

On and after January 1, 2019, this paragraph (13), except for this sentence, is inoperative.

- (14) Contracts for participation expenditures required by a domestic or international trade show or exhibition of an exhibitor, member, or sponsor.
- (15) Contracts with a railroad or utility that requires the State to reimburse the railroad or utilities for the relocation of utilities for construction or other public purpose. Contracts included within this paragraph shall include, but not be limited to, those associated with: relocations, crossings, installations, and maintenance. For the purposes of this paragraph (15), "railroad" means any form of non-highway ground transportation that runs on rails or electromagnetic quideways and "utility" means: (1) public utilities as defined in Section 3-105 of the Public Utilities Act, (2) telecommunications carriers as defined in Section 13-202 of the Public Utilities Act, (3) electric cooperatives as defined in Section 3.4 of the Electric Supplier Act, (4) telephone or telecommunications cooperatives as defined in Section 13-212 of the Public Utilities Act, (5) rural water or waste water systems with 10,000 connections or

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- less, (6) a holder as defined in Section 21-201 of the Public Utilities Act, and (7) municipalities owning or operating utility systems consisting of public utilities as that term is defined in Section 11-117-2 of the Illinois Municipal Code.
- (16) Procurement expenditures necessary for the Department of Public Health to provide the delivery of timely newborn screening services in accordance with the Newborn Metabolic Screening Act.
- (17) Procurement expenditures necessary for the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Public Health to implement the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program and Opioid Alternative Pilot Program requirements and ensure access to medical cannabis for patients with debilitating medical conditions in accordance with the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- (18) This Code does not apply to any procurements necessary for the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and the Department of Public Health to implement the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act if the applicable agency has made a good faith determination that it is necessary and appropriate for the expenditure

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to fall within this exemption and if the process is conducted in a manner substantially in accordance with the requirements of Sections 20-160, 25-60, 30-22, 50-5, 50-10, 50-10.5, 50-12, 50-13, 50-15, 50-20, 50-21, 50-35, 50-36, 50-37, 50-38, and 50-50 of this Code; however, for Section 50-35, compliance applies only to contracts or subcontracts over \$100,000. Notice of each contract entered into under this paragraph (18) that is related to procurement of goods and services identified in paragraph (1) through (9) of this subsection shall be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 14 calendar days after contract execution. The Chief Procurement Officer shall prescribe the form and content of the notice. Each agency shall provide the Chief Procurement Officer, on a monthly basis, in the form and content prescribed by the Chief Procurement Officer, a report of contracts that are related to the procurement of goods and services identified in this subsection. At a minimum, this report shall include the name of the contractor, a description of the supply or service provided, the total amount of the contract, the term of the contract, and the exception to this Code utilized. A copy of any or all of these contracts shall be made available to the Chief Procurement Officer immediately upon request. The Chief Procurement Officer shall submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year

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that includes, at a minimum, an annual summary of the monthly information reported to the Chief Procurement Officer. This exemption becomes inoperative $\underline{9}$ $\underline{5}$ years after June 25, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-27).

(19) Acquisition of modifications or adjustments, limited to assistive technology devices and assistive technology services, adaptive equipment, repairs, and replacement parts to provide reasonable accommodations (i) that enable a qualified applicant with a disability to complete the job application process and be considered for the position such qualified applicant desires, (ii) that modify or adjust the work environment to enable a qualified current employee with a disability to perform the essential functions of the position held by that employee, (iii) to enable a qualified current employee with a disability to enjoy equal benefits and privileges of employment as are enjoyed by other similarly situated employees without disabilities, and (iv) that allow a customer, client, claimant, or member of the public seeking State services full use and enjoyment of and access to its programs, services, or benefits.

For purposes of this paragraph (19):

"Assistive technology devices" means any item, piece of equipment, or product system, whether acquired commercially off the shelf, modified, or customized, that

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is used to increase, maintain, or improve functional 1 capabilities of individuals with disabilities. 2

> "Assistive technology services" means any service that directly assists an individual with a disability in selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology device.

> "Qualified" has the same meaning and use as provided under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act when describing an individual with a disability.

- Procurement expenditures necessary for Illinois Commerce Commission hire to third-party facilitators pursuant to Sections 16-105.17 and 16-108.18 of the Public Utilities Act or an ombudsman pursuant to Section 16-107.5 of the Public Utilities facilitator pursuant to Section 16-105.17 of the Public Utilities Act, or a grid auditor pursuant to Section 16-105.10 of the Public Utilities Act.
- Procurement expenditures for the purchase, renewal, and expansion of software, software licenses, or software maintenance agreements that support the efforts of the Illinois State Police to enforce, regulate, and administer the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act, the Firearm Concealed Carry Act, the Firearms Restraining Order Act, the Firearm Dealer License Certification Act, the Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS), the Uniform Crime Reporting Act, the Criminal Identification

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Act, the Illinois Uniform Conviction Information Act, and the Gun Trafficking Information Act, or establish or maintain record management systems necessary to conduct human trafficking investigations or gun trafficking or other stolen firearm investigations. This paragraph (21) applies to contracts entered into on or after January 10, 2023 (the effective date of Public Act 102-1116) and the renewal of contracts that are in effect on January 10, 2023 (the effective date of Public Act 102-1116).

- (22) Contracts for project management services and system integration services required for the completion of the State's enterprise resource planning project. This exemption becomes inoperative 5 years after June 7, 2023 (the effective date of the changes made to this Section by Public Act 103-8). This paragraph (22) applies contracts entered into on or after June 7, 2023 (the effective date of the changes made to this Section by Public Act 103-8) and the renewal of contracts that are in effect on June 7, 2023 (the effective date of the changes made to this Section by Public Act 103-8).
- (23) Procurements necessary for the Department of implement the Illinois Health Benefits Insurance to Exchange Law if the Department of Insurance has made a good faith determination that it is necessary appropriate for the expenditure to fall within this exemption. The procurement process shall be conducted in a

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manner substantially in accordance with the requirements of Sections 20-160 and 25-60 and Article 50 of this Code. A copy of these contracts shall be made available to the Chief Procurement Officer immediately upon request. This paragraph is inoperative 5 years after June 27, 2023 (the effective date of Public Act 103-103).

- (24) Contracts for public education programming, noncommercial sustaining announcements, public service announcements, and public awareness and education messaging with the nonprofit trade associations of the providers of those services that inform the public on immediate and ongoing health and safety risks and hazards.
- (25) Procurements necessary for the Department of Early Childhood to implement the Department of Early Childhood Act if the Department has made a good faith determination that it is necessary and appropriate for the expenditure to fall within this exemption. This exemption shall only be used for products and services procured solely for use by the Department of Early Childhood. The procurements may include those necessary to design and build integrated, operational systems of programs and services. The procurements may include, but are not limited to, those necessary to align and update program standards, integrate funding systems, design and establish data and reporting systems, align and update models for technical assistance and professional development, design

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systems to manage grants and ensure compliance, design and implement management and operational structures, and establish new means of engaging with families, educators, providers, and stakeholders. The procurement processes shall be conducted in a manner substantially in accordance with the requirements of Article 50 (ethics) and Sections 5-5 (Procurement Policy Board), 5-7 (Commission on Equity Inclusion), 20-80 (contract files), 20 - 120(subcontractors), 20-155 (paperwork), 20-160 (ethics/campaign contribution prohibitions), 25-60 (prevailing wage), and 25-90 (prohibited and authorized cybersecurity) of this Code. Beginning January 1, 2025, Department of Early Childhood shall provide a quarterly report to the General Assembly detailing a list of expenditures and contracts for which the Department uses this exemption. This paragraph is inoperative on and after July 1, 2027.

- (26) Procurements that are necessary for increasing the recruitment and retention of State employees, particularly minority candidates for employment, including:
 - (A) procurements related to registration fees for job fairs and other outreach and recruitment events;
 - (B) production of recruitment materials; and
 - (C) other services related to recruitment and retention of State employees.

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The exemption under this paragraph (26) $\frac{(25)}{(25)}$ applies the State agency has made a good faith only if determination that it is necessary and appropriate for the expenditure to fall within this paragraph (26) $\frac{(25)}{}$. The procurement process under this paragraph (26) $\frac{(25)}{(25)}$ shall be conducted in a manner substantially in accordance with the requirements of Sections 20-160 and 25-60 and Article 50 of this Code. A copy of these contracts shall be made available to the Chief Procurement Officer immediately upon request. Nothing in this paragraph (26) authorizes the replacement or diminishment of hiring or responsibilities in the positions effectuate that hiring. This paragraph (26) $\frac{(25)}{(25)}$ is inoperative on and after June 30, 2029.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for contracts with an annual value of more than \$100,000 entered into on or after October 1, 2017 under an exemption provided in any paragraph of this subsection (b), except paragraph (1), (2), or (5), each State agency shall post to the appropriate procurement bulletin the name of the contractor, a description of the supply or service provided, the total amount of the contract, the term of the contract, and the exception to the Code utilized. The chief procurement officer shall submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an annual summary of the monthly information reported to the

- 1 chief procurement officer.
- 2 (c) This Code does not apply to the electric power
- 3 procurement process provided for under Section 1-75 of the
- 4 Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public
- 5 Utilities Act. This Code does not apply to the procurement of
- technical and policy experts pursuant to Section 1-129 of the 6
- 7 Illinois Power Agency Act.
- 8 (d) Except for Section 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code,
- 9 and as expressly required by Section 9.1 of the Illinois
- 10 Lottery Law, the provisions of this Code do not apply to the
- 11 procurement process provided for under Section 9.1 of the
- Illinois Lottery Law. 12
- 13 (e) This Code does not apply to the process used by the
- 14 Capital Development Board to retain a person or entity to
- 15 assist the Capital Development Board with its duties related
- 16 to the determination of costs of a clean coal SNG brownfield
- facility, as defined by Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power 17
- 18 Agency Act, as required in subsection (h-3) of Section 9-220
- of the Public Utilities Act, including calculating the range 19
- 20 of capital costs, the range of operating and maintenance
- 2.1 costs, or the sequestration costs or monitoring
- 22 construction of clean coal SNG brownfield facility for the
- full duration of construction. 23
- 24 (f) (Blank).
- 25 (q) (Blank).
- 26 (h) This Code does not apply to the process to procure or

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- 1 contracts entered into in accordance with Sections 11-5.2 and 11-5.3 of the Illinois Public Aid Code. 2
- 3 (i) Each chief procurement officer may access records 4 necessary to review whether a contract, purchase, or other 5 expenditure is or is not subject to the provisions of this Code, unless such records would be subject to attorney-client 6 7 privilege.
 - (j) This Code does not apply to the process used by the Capital Development Board to retain an artist or work or works of art as required in Section 14 of the Capital Development Board Act.
 - (k) This Code does not apply to the process to procure contracts, or contracts entered into, by the State Board of Elections or the State Electoral Board for hearing officers appointed pursuant to the Election Code.
 - (1) This Code does not apply to the processes used by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to procure supplies and services paid for from the private funds of the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Fund. As used in this subsection (1), "private funds" means funds derived from deposits paid into the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund and the earnings thereon.
 - (m) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of funds with which contracts are paid, including federal assistance moneys. Except as specifically provided in this Code, this Code shall not apply to procurement expenditures necessary for the Department of Public Health to conduct the

- 1 Healthy Illinois Survey in accordance with Section 2310-431 of
- 2 the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the
- 3 Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 102-175, eff. 7-29-21; 102-483, eff 1-1-22;
- 5 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-600, eff. 8-27-21; 102-662, eff.
- 6 9-15-21; 102-721, eff. 1-1-23; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22;
- 7 102-1116, eff. 1-10-23; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23; 103-103, eff.
- 8 6-27-23; 103-570, eff. 1-1-24; 103-580, eff. 12-8-23; 103-594,
- 9 eff. 6-25-24; 103-605, eff. 7-1-24; 103-865, eff. 1-1-25;
- 10 revised 11-26-24.)
- 11 Section 10. The Use Tax Act is amended by changing Section
- 3-10 as follows:
- 13 (35 ILCS 105/3-10) from Ch. 120, par. 439.33-10
- 14 Sec. 3-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this
- 15 Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of
- 16 either the selling price or the fair market value, if any, of
- 17 the tangible personal property, which, on and after January 1,
- 18 2025, includes leases of tangible personal property. In all
- 19 cases where property functionally used or consumed is the same
- 20 as the property that was purchased at retail, then the tax is
- 21 imposed on the selling price of the property. In all cases
- 22 where property functionally used or consumed is a by-product
- or waste product that has been refined, manufactured, or
- 24 produced from property purchased at retail, then the tax is

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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

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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

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1 diesel, and biodiesel blends shall be as provided in Section 3-5.1. If, at any time, however, the tax under this Act on 2 3 sales of biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 4 10% biodiesel is imposed at the rate of 1.25%, then the tax 5 imposed by this Act applies to 100% of the proceeds of sales of 6 biodiesel blends with no less than 1% and no more than 10% 7 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

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1 after January 1, 2026, food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than 2 alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult 3 4 use cannabis, soft drinks, candy, and food that has been 5 prepared for immediate consumption) is exempt from the tax imposed by this Act. 6

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

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1 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

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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
- 17 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a
 18 list of those ingredients contained in the compound,
 19 substance or preparation.
 - Beginning on January 1, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-122), and through June 30, 2026, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes medical cannabis purchased from a registered dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 25 <u>Beginning on July 1, 2026, "prescription and</u> 26 <u>nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis</u>

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1 purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient 2 Program participant as part of their adequate medical supply, 3 4 as these terms are defined under the Cannabis Regulation and 5 Tax Act, from a dispensing organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or the 6 7 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

As used in this Section through June 30, 2026, "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, 2026, 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, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant as part of their adequate medical supply.

If the property that is purchased at retail from a retailer 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

- 1 the tax under this Act is imposed on lease receipts.
- (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-700, Article 20, 2
- Section 20-5, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 60, Section 3
- 4 60-15, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 65, Section 65-5, eff.
- 5 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592,
- eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff. 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.) 6
- 7 Section 15. The Service Use Tax Act is amended by changing
- 8 Section 3-10 as follows:
- 9 (35 ILCS 110/3-10) (from Ch. 120, par. 439.33-10)
- Sec. 3-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this 10
- 11 Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of
- 12 the selling price of tangible personal property transferred,
- 13 including, on and after January 1, 2025, transferred by lease,
- 14 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 15
- 16 than the cost price of the property to the serviceman.
- Beginning on July 1, 2000 and through December 31, 2000, 17
- 18 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 19
- 20 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 21
- tax imposed by this Act applies to (i) 70% of the selling price 22
- 23 of property transferred as an incident to the sale of service
- on or after January 1, 1990, and before July 1, 2003, (ii) 80% 24

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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 1 to the selling price of property transferred as an incident to 2 the sale of service on or after July 1, 2003 and on or before 3 4 December 31, 2028 but applies to 100% of the selling price

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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

5 Act.

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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 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

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1 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 2 than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with 3 4 adult use cannabis, soft drinks, and food that has been 5 prepared for immediate consumption and is not otherwise 6 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 and an 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

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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, 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,

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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 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.

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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
- 24 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a 25 list of those ingredients contained in the compound, 26 substance or preparation.

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Beginning on January 1, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-122), and through June 30, 2026, "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, 2026, "prescription and nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant as part of their adequate medical supply, as these terms are defined under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, 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, 2026, "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, 2026, 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, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant as part of their adequate medical supply.

- 1 If the property that is acquired from a serviceman is acquired outside Illinois and used outside Illinois before 2 being brought to Illinois for use here and is taxable under 3 this Act, the "selling price" on which the tax is computed 4 5 shall be reduced by an amount that represents a reasonable 6 allowance for depreciation for the period of out-of-state use. No depreciation is allowed in cases where 7 8 the tax under this Act is imposed on lease receipts.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-16, eff. 6-17-21;
- 10 102-700, Article 20, Section 20-10, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700,
- Article 60, Section 60-20, eff. 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 11
- 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592, eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff. 12
- 13 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.)
- 14 Section 20. The Service Occupation Tax Act is amended by changing Section 3-10 as follows: 15
- (35 ILCS 115/3-10) (from Ch. 120, par. 439.103-10) 16

Sec. 3-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this 17 18 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 19 20 Tax Act, of the tangible personal property, including, on and 21 after January 1, 2025, tangible personal property transferred 22 by lease. For the purpose of computing this tax, in no event 23 shall the "selling price" be less than the cost price to the 24 serviceman of the tangible personal property transferred. The

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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 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

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before December 31, 2028, and (v) 100% of the selling price of 1 property transferred as an incident to the sale of service 2 after December 31, 2028. If, at any time, however, the tax 3 4 under this Act on sales of gasohol, as defined in the Use Tax 5 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 6 7 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

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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.

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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).

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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 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

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1 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 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

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> 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

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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
- 17 (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a
 18 list of those ingredients contained in the compound,
 19 substance or preparation.
 - Beginning on January 1, 2014 and through June 30, 2026, (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.
- 25 <u>Beginning on July 1, 2026, "prescription and</u> 26 <u>nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis</u>

- purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional 1
- patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient 2
- 3 Program participant as part of their adequate medical supply,
- 4 as these terms are defined under the Cannabis Regulation and
- 5 Tax Act, from a dispensing organization registered under the
- Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or the 6
- 7 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
- 8 As used in this Section, and through June 30, 2026, "adult
- 9 use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis
- 10 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
- 11 Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis subject to tax
- 12 under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 13 Beginning July 1, 2026, as used in this Section, "adult
- 14 use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis
- 15 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
- Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis purchased by a 16
- qualified registered patient, provisional patient, designated 17
- caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant 18
- 19 as part of their adequate medical supply.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-16, eff. 6-17-21;
- 102-700, Article 20, Section 20-15, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, 21
- Article 60, Section 60-25, eff. 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 22
- 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592, eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff. 23
- 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.) 24

Section 25. The Retailers' Occupation Tax Act is amended

by changing Sections 2-10 and 11 as follows:

- (35 ILCS 120/2-10) from Ch. 120, par. 441-10 2
- 3 Sec. 2-10. Rate of tax. Unless otherwise provided in this
- 4 Section, the tax imposed by this Act is at the rate of 6.25% of
- 5 gross receipts from sales, which, on and after January 1,
- 2025, includes leases, of tangible personal property made in 6
- 7 the course of business.
- 8 Beginning on July 1, 2000 and through December 31, 2000,
- 9 with respect to motor fuel, as defined in Section 1.1 of the
- 10 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%. 11
- Beginning on August 6, 2010 through August 15, 2010, and 12
- beginning again on August 5, 2022 through August 14, 2022, 13
- 14 with respect to sales tax holiday items as defined in Section
- 15 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 16
- Public Act 91-872), each retailer of motor fuel and gasohol 17
- shall cause the following notice to be posted in a prominently 18
- 19 visible place on each retail dispensing device that is used to
- 20 dispense motor fuel or gasohol in the State of Illinois: "As of
- 21 July 1, 2000, the State of Illinois has eliminated the State's
- 22 share of sales tax on motor fuel and gasohol through December
- 23 31, 2000. The price on this pump should reflect the
- 24 elimination of the tax." The notice shall be printed in bold
- 25 print on a sign that is no smaller than 4 inches by 8 inches.

1 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

5 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

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sales of mid-range ethanol blends made during that time. 1

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

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

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

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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 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

- 1 this paragraph, "over-the-counter-drug" means a drug for human
- use that contains a label that identifies the product as a drug 2
- as required by 21 CFR 201.66. The "over-the-counter-drug" 3
- 4 label includes:
- 5 (A) a "Drug Facts" panel; or
- (B) a statement of the "active ingredient(s)" with a 6
- list of those ingredients contained in the compound, 7
- 8 substance or preparation.
- 9 Beginning on January 1, 2014 (the effective date of Public
- 10 Act 98-122), and through June 30, 2026, "prescription and
- 11 nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes medical cannabis
- purchased from a registered dispensing organization under the 12
- 13 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- Beginning on July 1, 2026, "prescription 14
- 15 nonprescription medicines and drugs" includes cannabis
- 16 purchased by a qualified registered patient, provisional
- patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient 17
- Program participant as part of their adequate medical supply, 18
- 19 as these terms are defined under the Cannabis Regulation and
- 20 Tax Act, from a dispensing organization registered under the
- Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or the 2.1
- 22 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
- 23 As used in this Section, and through June 30, 2026, "adult
- 24 use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis
- 25 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
- 26 Excise Tax Law and does not include cannabis subject to tax

- 1 under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 2 Beginning July 1, 2026, as used in this Section, "adult
- use cannabis" means cannabis subject to tax under the Cannabis 3
- 4 Cultivation Privilege Tax Law and the Cannabis Purchaser
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- qualified registered patient, provisional patient, designated 6
- caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant 7
- 8 as part of their adequate medical supply.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 102-4, eff. 4-27-21; 102-700, Article 20,
- 10 Section 20-20, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 60, Section
- 60-30, eff. 4-19-22; 102-700, Article 65, Section 65-10, eff. 11
- 4-19-22; 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 103-154, eff. 6-30-23; 103-592, 12
- eff. 1-1-25; 103-781, eff. 8-5-24; revised 11-26-24.) 13
- 14 (35 ILCS 120/11) (from Ch. 120, par. 450)
- 15 Sec. 11. All information received by the Department from
- returns filed under this Act, or from any investigation 16
- conducted under this Act, shall be confidential, except for 17
- official purposes, and any person, including a third party as 18
- 19 defined in the Local Government Revenue Recapture Act, who
- 20 divulges any such information in any manner, except in
- 21 accordance with a proper judicial order or as otherwise
- provided by law, including the Local Government Revenue 22
- 23 Recapture Act, shall be quilty of a Class B misdemeanor with a
- 24 fine not to exceed \$7,500.
- 25 Nothing in this Act prevents the Director of Revenue from

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publishing or making available to the public the names and addresses of persons filing returns under this Act, or reasonable statistics concerning the operation of the tax by grouping the contents of returns so the information in any individual return is not disclosed.

Nothing in this Act prevents the Director of Revenue from divulging to the United States Government or the government of any other state, or any officer or agency thereof, for exclusively official purposes, information received by the Department in administering this Act, provided that such other governmental agency agrees to divulge requested tax information to the Department.

The Department's furnishing of information derived from a taxpayer's return or from an investigation conducted under this Act to the surety on a taxpayer's bond that has been furnished to the Department under this Act, either to provide notice to such surety of its potential liability under the bond or, in order to support the Department's demand for payment from such surety under the bond, is an official purpose within the meaning of this Section.

The furnishing upon request of information obtained by the Department from returns filed under this Act or investigations conducted under this Act to the Illinois Liquor Control Commission for official use is deemed to be an official purpose within the meaning of this Section.

Notice to a surety of potential liability shall not be

1 given unless the taxpayer has first been notified, not less

than 10 days prior thereto, of the Department's intent to so

3 notify the surety.

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The furnishing upon request of the Auditor General, or his authorized agents, for official use, of returns filed and information related thereto under this Act is deemed to be an official purpose within the meaning of this Section.

Where an appeal or a protest has been filed on behalf of a taxpayer, the furnishing upon request of the attorney for the taxpayer of returns filed by the taxpayer and information related thereto under this Act is deemed to be an official purpose within the meaning of this Section.

The furnishing of financial information to a municipality or county, upon request of the chief executive officer thereof, is an official purpose within the meaning of this Section, provided the municipality or county agrees in writing to the requirements of this Section. Information provided to municipalities and counties under this paragraph shall be limited to: (1) the business name; (2) the business address; (3) the standard classification number assigned to the business; (4) net revenue distributed to the requesting municipality or county that is directly related to the requesting municipality's or county's local share of the proceeds under the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, and the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act distributed from the Local Government Tax Fund, and, if

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applicable, any locally imposed retailers' occupation tax or service occupation tax; and (5) a listing of all businesses within the requesting municipality or county by account identification number and address. On and after July 1, 2015, the furnishing of financial information to municipalities and counties under this paragraph may be by electronic means. If the Department may furnish financial information to a municipality or county under this paragraph, then the chief executive officer of the municipality or county may, in turn, provide that financial information to a third party pursuant to the Local Government Revenue Recapture Act. However, the third party shall agree in writing to the requirements of this Section and meet the requirements of the Local Government Revenue Recapture Act.

Information so provided shall be subject to all confidentiality provisions of this Section. The written agreement shall provide for reciprocity, limitations on access, disclosure, and procedures for requesting information. For the purposes of furnishing financial information to a municipality or county under this Section, "chief executive officer" means the mayor of a city, the village board president of a village, the mayor or president of incorporated town, the county executive of a county that has adopted the county executive form of government, the president of the board of commissioners of Cook County, or the chairperson of the county board or board of

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commissioners of any other county.

The Department may make available to the Board of Trustees of any Metro East Mass Transit District information contained on transaction reporting returns required to be filed under Section 3 of this Act that report sales made within the boundary of the taxing authority of that Metro East Mass Transit District, as provided in Section 5.01 of the Local Mass Transit District Act. The disclosure shall be made pursuant to a written agreement between the Department and the Board of Trustees of a Metro East Mass Transit District, which is an official purpose within the meaning of this Section. The written agreement between the Department and the Board of Trustees of a Metro East Mass Transit District shall provide for reciprocity, limitations on access, disclosure, procedures for requesting information. Information so provided shall be subject to all confidentiality provisions of this Section.

The Director may make available to any State agency, including the Illinois Supreme Court, which licenses persons to engage in any occupation, information that a person licensed by such agency has failed to file returns under this Act or pay the tax, penalty and interest shown therein, or has failed to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty or interest due under this Act. The Director may make available to any agency, including the Illinois Supreme information regarding whether a bidder, contractor, or an

1 affiliate of a bidder or contractor has failed to collect and remit Illinois Use tax on sales into Illinois, or any tax under 2 this Act or pay the tax, penalty, and interest shown therein, 3 4 or has failed to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty, or 5 interest due under this Act, for the limited purpose of enforcing bidder and contractor certifications. The Director 6 may make available to units of local government and school 7 8 districts that require bidder and contractor certifications, 9 as set forth in Sections 50-11 and 50-12 of the Illinois 10 Procurement Code, information regarding whether a bidder, 11 contractor, or an affiliate of a bidder or contractor has failed to collect and remit Illinois Use tax on sales into 12 13 Illinois, file returns under this Act, or pay the tax, 14 penalty, and interest shown therein, or has failed to pay any 15 final assessment of tax, penalty, or interest due under this 16 Act, for the limited purpose of enforcing bidder contractor certifications. For purposes of this Section, the 17 "affiliate" means any entity that (1) directly, 18 19 indirectly, or constructively controls another entity, (2) is 20 directly, indirectly, or constructively controlled by another 2.1 entity, or (3) is subject to the control of a common entity. For purposes of this Section, an entity controls another 22 23 entity if it owns, directly or individually, more than 10% of 24 the voting securities of that entity. As used in this Section, 25 the term "voting security" means a security that (1) confers 26 upon the holder the right to vote for the election of members

1 of the board of directors or similar governing body of the

business or (2) is convertible into, or entitles the holder to

receive upon its exercise, a security that confers such a

right to vote. A general partnership interest is a voting

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The Director may make available to any State agency, including the Illinois Supreme Court, units of government, and school districts, information regarding whether a bidder or contractor is an affiliate of a person who is not collecting and remitting Illinois Use taxes for the limited purpose of enforcing bidder and contractor certifications.

The Director may also make available to the Secretary of State information that a limited liability company, which has filed articles of organization with the Secretary of State, or corporation which has been issued a certificate of incorporation by the Secretary of State has failed to file returns under this Act or pay the tax, penalty and interest shown therein, or has failed to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty or interest due under this Act. An assessment is final when all proceedings in court for review of such assessment have terminated or the time for the taking thereof has expired without such proceedings being instituted.

It is an official purpose within the meaning of this Section for the Department to publicly report the aggregate amount of tax revenues from a given tax return type that the

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Department allocates from a State fund or State trust fu	<u>ind</u> to
each unit of local government, such as the amount o	f the
monthly allocation to each unit of local governmen	nt of
Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax, County Car	nabis
Retailers' Occupation Tax, or Business District Occup	pation
Tax, notwithstanding that some units of local governmen	nt may
have as few as one retailer reporting revenues for a give	en tax
return type in any given reporting period.	

The Director shall make available for public inspection in the Department's principal office and for publication, at cost, administrative decisions issued on or after January 1, 1995. These decisions are to be made available in a manner so that the following taxpayer information is not disclosed:

- (1) The names, addresses, and identification numbers of the taxpayer, related entities, and employees.
- (2) At the sole discretion of the Director, trade secrets or other confidential information identified as such by the taxpayer, no later than 30 days after receipt of an administrative decision, by such means as the Department shall provide by rule.

The Director shall determine the appropriate extent of the deletions allowed in paragraph (2). In the event the taxpayer does not submit deletions, the Director shall make only the deletions specified in paragraph (1).

The Director shall make available for public inspection and publication an administrative decision within 180 days

- 1 after the issuance of the administrative decision. The term
- 2 "administrative decision" has the same meaning as defined in
- Section 3-101 of Article III of the Code of Civil Procedure. 3
- 4 Costs collected under this Section shall be paid into the Tax
- 5 Compliance and Administration Fund.
- 6 Nothing contained in this Act shall prevent the Director
- from divulging information to any person pursuant to a request 7
- 8 or authorization made by the taxpayer or by an authorized
- 9 representative of the taxpayer.
- 10 The furnishing of information obtained by the Department
- 11 from returns filed under Public Act 101-10 to the Department
- of Transportation for purposes of compliance with Public Act 12
- 13 101-10 regarding aviation fuel is deemed to be an official
- purpose within the meaning of this Section. 14
- 15 Director may make information available to the
- 16 Secretary of State for the purpose of administering Section
- 5-901 of the Illinois Vehicle Code. 17
- (Source: P.A. 101-10, eff. 6-5-19; 101-628, eff. 6-1-20; 18
- 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-941, eff. 7-1-22.) 19
- Section 30. The Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 20
- Program Act is amended by changing Sections 7, 7-15, 10, 15, 21
- 25, 30, 35, 57, 60, 62, 70, 75, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105, 110, 115, 22
- 120, 125, 130, 140, 145, 150, 180, 200, 205, and 210 as 23
- 24 follows:

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- Sec. 7. Lawful user and lawful products. For the purposes 2 of this Act and to clarify the legislative findings on the 3 4 lawful use of cannabis:
 - (1) A cardholder under this Act shall not considered an unlawful user or addicted to narcotics solely as a result of his or her qualifying patient, provisional patient, or designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant status.
 - (2) All medical cannabis products purchased by a qualifying patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant 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 Patient 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.

- (Source: P.A. 100-1114, eff. 8-28-18; 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.) 1
- 2 (410 ILCS 130/10)

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- 3 Sec. 10. Definitions. The following terms, as used in this
- Act, shall have the meanings set forth in this Section: 4
 - (a) "Adequate medical 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 cannabis infused product shall apply toward the limit on the total amount of medical cannabis a registered qualifying patient may possess at

- 1 any one time.
- 2 (a-5) "Advanced practice registered nurse" means a person
- 3 who is licensed under the Nurse Practice Act as an advanced
- 4 practice registered nurse and has a controlled substances
- 5 license under Article III of the Illinois Controlled
- 6 Substances Act.
- 7 (b) "Cannabis" has the <u>same</u> meaning given <u>to</u> that term in
- 8 Section 1-10 3 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Control Act.
- 9 (b-5) "Cannabis business establishment" has the same
- 10 meaning given to that term in Section 1-10 of the Cannabis
- 11 Regulation and Tax Act.
- 12 (c) "Cannabis plant monitoring system" means a system that
- includes, but is not limited to, testing and data collection
- 14 established and maintained by the registered cultivation
- 15 center and available to the Department for the purposes of
- 16 documenting each cannabis plant and for monitoring plant
- 17 development throughout the life cycle of a cannabis plant
- 18 cultivated for the intended use by a qualifying patient from
- 19 seed planting to final packaging.
- 20 (d) "Cardholder" means a qualifying patient, provisional
- 21 patient, or a designated caregiver who has been issued and
- 22 possesses a valid registry identification card by the
- 23 Department of Public Health.
- 24 (d-5) "Certifying health care professional" means a
- 25 physician, an advanced practice registered nurse, or a
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- (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, 2026, cultivation centers registered under this Act are subject to regulation exclusively as a cultivation center under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Cultivation center registrations under this Act shall not be renewed after July 1, 2026.
- (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 subsection becomes inoperative on January 1, 2027 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 identifies a person as a cultivation center agent. This subsection (g) becomes inoperative on January 1, 2027.
- (h) "Debilitating medical condition" means one or more of 19 20 the following:
- 2.1 (1) cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune 22 deficiency syndrome, hepatitis C, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, 23 24 Crohn's disease (including, but not limited to, ulcerative 25 colitis), agitation of Alzheimer's disease, 26 cachexia/wasting syndrome, muscular dystrophy,

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fibromyalqia, spinal cord disease, including but not limited to arachnoiditis, Tarlov cysts, hydromyelia, syringomyelia, Rheumatoid arthritis, fibrous dysplasia, spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury Multiple post-concussion syndrome, Sclerosis, Arnold-Chiari malformation and Syringomyelia, Spinocerebellar Ataxia (SCA), Parkinson's, Tourette's, Myoclonus, Dystonia, Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, RSD (Complex Regional Pain Syndromes Type I), Causalgia, CRPS (Complex Regional Pain Syndromes Type II), Neurofibromatosis, Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy, Sjogren's syndrome, Lupus, Interstitial Cystitis, Myasthenia Gravis, Hydrocephalus, nail-patella syndrome, residual limb pain, seizures (including those characteristic of epilepsy), post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), autism, chronic pain, irritable bowel syndrome, migraines, osteoarthritis, anorexia nervosa, Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome, Neuro-Behcet's Autoimmune Disease, neuropathy, polycystic kidney disease, superior canal dehiscence syndrome, endometriosis, ovarian cysts, uterine fibroids, female orgasmic disorder, or the treatment of these conditions;

(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

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1 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 of an excluded offense; and (3) (4) assists no more than one registered qualifying patient with the patient's his or her medical use of cannabis, except the parent or guardian of a registered qualifying patient may assist each of their children who are registered qualifying patients. Beginning July 1, 2026, a designated caregiver registered under this Act may perform the designated caregiver's duties at any dispensary licensed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation under the 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 subsection (j) becomes inoperative on January 1, 2027.
- (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

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- (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
 - 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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- 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 Patient Pilot Program participants, to verify Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program participants, to verify Opioid Alternative Patient 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 Patient Pilot Program participant.
- (m) "Medical cannabis cultivation center registration" means a registration issued by the Department of Agriculture. This subsection (m) becomes inoperative on January 1, 2027.
- (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 subsection (n) becomes inoperative on January 1, 2027.
- (o) "Medical cannabis dispensing organization", or "dispensing organization", or "dispensary organization", through June 30, 2026, means a facility operated by an

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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 Patient Pilot Program participant. Beginning July 1, 2026, medical cannabis dispensing organizations licensed under this Act are subject to regulation as a dispensary under the Cannabis Regulation 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, 2026, 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

- 1 patient's debilitating medical condition or symptoms associated with the patient's debilitating medical condition. 2
- 3 (r-5) "Opioid" means a narcotic drug or substance that is
- 4 a Schedule II controlled substance under paragraph (1), (2),
- 5 (3), or (5) of subsection (b) or under subsection (c) of
- Section 206 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act. 6
- 7 "Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program
- 8 participant" means an individual who has received a valid
- 9 written certification to participate in the Opioid Alternative
- 10 Patient Pilot Program for a medical condition for which an
- 11 opioid has been or could be prescribed by a certifying health
- care professional based on generally accepted standards of 12
- 13 care.
- (s) "Physician" means a doctor of medicine or doctor of 14
- 15 osteopathy licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 to
- 16 practice medicine and who has a controlled substances license
- under Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act. 17
- It does not include a licensed practitioner under any other 18
- 19 Act including but not limited to the Illinois Dental Practice
- 20 Act.
- (s-1) "Physician assistant" means a physician assistant 2.1
- licensed under the Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987 22
- and who has a controlled substances license under Article III 23
- 24 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.
- 25 (s-5) "Provisional registration" means a document issued
- 26 by the Department of Public Health to a qualifying patient who

- 1 has submitted: (1) an online application and paid a fee to
- participate in Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program 2
- 3 pending approval or denial of the patient's application; or
- 4 (2) a completed application for terminal illness.
- 5 (s-10) "Provisional patient" means a qualifying patient
- who has received a provisional registration from the 6
- 7 Department of Public Health.
- 8 "Qualifying patient" or "registered qualifying
- 9 patient" means a person who has been diagnosed by a certifying
- 10 health care professional as having a debilitating medical
- 11 condition.
- (u) "Registered" means licensed, permitted, or otherwise 12
- 13 certified by the Department of Agriculture, Department of
- 14 Public Health, or Department of Financial and Professional
- 15 Regulation.
- 16 (v) "Registry identification card" means a document issued
- by the Department of Public Health that identifies a person as 17
- a registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or 18
- 19 registered designated caregiver.
- 20 (w) "Usable cannabis" means the seeds, leaves, buds, and
- 2.1 flowers of the cannabis plant and any mixture or preparation
- thereof, but does not include the stalks, and roots of the 22
- 23 plant. It does not include the weight of any non-cannabis
- 24 ingredients combined with cannabis, such as ingredients added
- 25 to prepare a topical administration, food, or drink.
- 26 (x) "Verification system" means a Web-based system

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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 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 Patient 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 the certifying health care professional has completed an assessment of either a qualifying patient's medical history or Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program participant, reviewed relevant records related to the patient's debilitating condition, and conducted a physical examination.

1 "Bona fide health professional-patient (z)care relationship" means a relationship established at a hospital, 2 3 certifying health care professional's office, or other health 4 care facility in which the certifying health care professional 5 has an ongoing responsibility for the assessment, care, and 6 treatment of a patient's debilitating medical condition or a symptom of the patient's debilitating medical condition. 7

A veteran who has received treatment at a VA hospital shall be deemed to have а bona fide health 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.

A bona fide health care professional-patient relationship under this subsection is a privileged communication within the meaning of Section 8-802 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

17 (Source: P.A. 100-1114, eff. 8-28-18; 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)

18 (410 ILCS 130/15)

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19 Sec. 15. Authority.

- (a) It is the duty of the Department of Public Health to enforce the following provisions of this Act unless otherwise provided for by this Act:
- 23 (1) establish and maintain a confidential registry of 24 qualifying patients authorized to engage in the medical 25 use of cannabis and their caregivers;

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- 1 (2) distribute educational materials about the health 2 benefits and risks associated with the use of cannabis and 3 prescription medications;
 - (3) adopt rules to administer the patient and caregiver registration program; and
 - (4) adopt rules establishing food handling requirements for cannabis-infused products that are prepared for human consumption.
 - (b) Through June 30, 2026, it It is the duty of the Department of Agriculture to enforce the provisions of this Act relating to the registration and oversight of cultivation centers unless otherwise provided for in this Act.
 - (c) Through June 30, 2026, it It is the duty of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to enforce the provisions of this Act relating to the registration and oversight of dispensing organizations unless otherwise provided for in this Act.
 - (d) Through June 30, 2026, 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, 2026, the Department of Public Health may enter into intergovernmental

- 1 agreements, as necessary, to carry out the provisions of this
- Act, including, but not limited to, the provisions relating to 2
- 3 qualifying patients and caregivers.
- 4 (e) The Department of Public Health, the Department of
- 5 Agriculture through July 1, 2026, or the Department of
- 6 Financial and Professional Regulation through June 30, 2026
- may suspend, revoke, or impose other penalties upon a 7
- registration for violations of this Act and any rules adopted 8
- 9 in accordance thereto. The suspension or revocation of, or
- 10 imposition of any other penalty upon, a registration is a
- 11 final Agency action, subject to judicial review. Jurisdiction
- and venue for judicial review are vested in the Circuit Court. 12
- 13 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15;
- 99-519, eff. 6-30-16.) 14
- 15 (410 ILCS 130/25)
- Sec. 25. Immunities and presumptions related to the 16
- medical use of cannabis. 17
- (a) A registered qualifying patient is not subject to 18
- 19 arrest, prosecution, or denial of any right or privilege,
- including, but not limited to, civil penalty or disciplinary 20
- 21 action by an occupational or professional licensing board, for
- 22 the medical use of cannabis in accordance with this Act, if the
- 23 registered qualifying patient possesses an amount of cannabis
- 24 that does not exceed an adequate medical supply as defined in
- subsection (a) of Section 10 of this Act of usable cannabis 25

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- and, where the registered qualifying patient is a licensed professional, the use of cannabis does not impair that licensed professional when he or she is engaged in the practice of the profession for which he or she is licensed.
 - (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 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 relating to administering or assisting a student 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, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant is not subject to arrest, prosecution, or denial

- 1 of any right or privilege, including, but not limited to,
- 2 civil penalty or disciplinary action by an occupational or
- 3 professional licensing board for possession of cannabis that
- 4 is incidental to medical use, but is not usable cannabis as
- 5 defined in this Act.
- 6 (d)(1) There is a rebuttable presumption that a registered
- 7 qualifying patient is engaged in, or a designated caregiver is
- 8 assisting with, the medical use of cannabis in accordance with
- 9 this Act if the qualifying patient or designated caregiver:
- 10 (A) is in possession of a valid registry
- identification card; and
- 12 (B) is in possession of an amount of cannabis that
- does not exceed the amount allowed under subsection (a) of
- 14 Section 10.
- 15 (2) The presumption may be rebutted by evidence that
- 16 conduct related to cannabis was not for the purpose of
- 17 treating or alleviating the qualifying patient's debilitating
- 18 medical condition or symptoms associated with the debilitating
- 19 medical condition in compliance with this Act.
- 20 (e) A certifying health care professional is not subject
- 21 to arrest, prosecution, or penalty in any manner, or denial of
- 22 any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, civil
- 23 penalty or disciplinary action by the Medical Disciplinary
- 24 Board or by any other occupational or professional licensing
- 25 board, solely for providing written certifications or for
- 26 otherwise stating that, in the certifying health care

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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 or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant upon verification of certification, 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

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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, 2026; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2026.

- (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, 2026; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2026.
- (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, 2026; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2026.

- (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, 2026; however, the authority granted in this subsection remains in force and effect for events occurring on or before June 30, 2026.
- (k) Any cannabis, cannabis paraphernalia, illegal

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- 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
- 4 is conducted in conformity with the Illinois Constitution, the
- 5 Constitution of the United States, and all State statutes.
- 6 (o) No individual employed by the State of Illinois shall
- 7 be subject to criminal or civil penalties for taking any
- 8 action in accordance with the provisions of this Act, when the
- 9 actions are within the scope of his or her employment.
- 10 Representation and indemnification of State employees shall be
- 11 provided to State employees as set forth in Section 2 of the
- 12 State Employee Indemnification Act.
- 13 (p) No law enforcement or correctional agency, nor any
- 14 individual employed by a law enforcement or correctional
- 15 agency, shall be subject to criminal or civil liability,
- 16 except for willful and wanton misconduct, as a result of
- 17 taking any action within the scope of the official duties of
- the agency or individual to prohibit or prevent the possession
- or use of cannabis by a cardholder or Opioid Alternative
- 20 Patient Program participant incarcerated at a correctional
- 21 facility, jail, or municipal lockup facility, on parole or
- 22 mandatory supervised release, or otherwise under the lawful
- 23 jurisdiction of the agency or individual.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-19-19; 101-370, eff. 1-1-20;
- 25 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)

1	(410 ILCS 130/30)
2	Sec. 30. Limitations and penalties.
3	(a) This Act does not permit any person to engage in, and
4	does not prevent the imposition of any civil, criminal, or
5	other penalties for engaging in, the following conduct:
6	(1) Undertaking any task under the influence of
7	cannabis, when doing so would constitute negligence,
8	professional malpractice, or professional misconduct;
9	(2) Possessing cannabis:
10	(A) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
11	School Code, in a school bus;
12	(B) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the
13	School Code, on the grounds of any preschool or
14	primary or secondary school;
15	(C) in any correctional facility;
16	(D) in a vehicle under Section 11-502.1 of the
17	Illinois Vehicle Code;
18	(E) in a vehicle not open to the public unless the
19	medical cannabis is in a reasonably secured, sealed
20	container and reasonably inaccessible while the
21	vehicle is moving; or
22	(F) in a private residence that is used at any time
23	to provide licensed child care or other similar social
24	service care on the premises;
25	(3) Using cannabis:
26	(A) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the

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- (B) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the School Code, on the grounds of any preschool or primary or secondary school;
 - (C) in any correctional facility;
 - (D) in any motor vehicle;
- (E) in a private residence that is used at any time to provide licensed child care or other similar social service care on the premises;
- (F) except as provided under Section 22-33 of the School Code and Section 31 of this Act, in any public place. "Public place" as used in this subsection means any place where an individual could reasonably be 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

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School	Code	and	Section	31	of	this	Act,	knc	wing	lla	in
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- (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

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- 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, or designated cardholder or 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, provisional patient, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant who commits a violation of Section 11-502.1 of the Illinois

- 1 Vehicle Code or refuses a properly requested test related to
- 2 operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of
- 3 cannabis shall have his or her registry identification card
- 4 revoked.
- 5 (g) No registered qualifying patient, provisional patient,
- 6 or designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program
- 7 participant shall knowingly obtain, seek to obtain, or
- 8 possess, individually or collectively, an amount of usable
- 9 cannabis from a registered medical cannabis dispensing
- 10 organization that would cause him or her to exceed the
- 11 authorized adequate medical supply under subsection (a) of
- 12 Section 10.
- 13 (h) Nothing in this Act shall prevent a private business
- from restricting or prohibiting the medical use of cannabis on
- its property.
- 16 (i) Nothing in this Act shall prevent a university,
- 17 college, or other institution of post-secondary education from
- 18 restricting or prohibiting the use of medical cannabis on its
- 19 property.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-67, eff. 7-9-21.)
- 21 (410 ILCS 130/35)
- Sec. 35. Certifying health care professional requirements.
- 23 (a) A certifying health care professional who certifies a
- 24 debilitating medical condition for a qualifying patient shall
- comply with all of the following requirements:

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- (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, <u>provisional patient</u>, <u>designated primary</u> caregiver, <u>Opioid Alternative Patient</u>

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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, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant 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;

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- (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.
- (d) Any violation of this Section or any other provision of this Act or rules adopted under this Act is a violation of 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

- 1 certifying health care professional has reason to believe 2 either that the registered qualifying patient has ceased to 3 suffer from a debilitating medical condition; (2) that the 4 bona fide health care professional-patient relationship has 5 terminated; or (3) that continued use of medical cannabis 6 would result in contraindication with the patient's other medication. The registered qualifying patient's registry 7 identification card shall be revoked by the Department of 8 9 Public Health after receiving the certifying health care 10 professional's notification.
- 11 (f) Nothing in this Act shall preclude a certifying health care professional from referring a patient for 12 13 services, except when the referral is limited to certification 14 purposes only, under this Act.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)
- (410 ILCS 130/57) 16
- 17 Sec. 57. <u>Designated Caregivers</u> Qualifying patients.
- 18 (a) Qualifying patients or provisional patients that are 19 under the age of 18 years shall not be prohibited from appointing up to 3 designated caregivers who meet the 20 21 definition of "designated caregiver" under Section 10 so long 22 as at least one designated caregiver is a biological parent or legal quardian. 23
- 24 (b) Qualifying patients and provisional patients that are 18 years of age or older shall not be prohibited from 25

- 1 appointing up to 3 designated caregivers who meet the definition of "designated caregiver" under Section 10. 2
- 3 (c) Beginning July 1, 2026, designated caregivers,
- qualifying patients, provisional patients, or 4
- 5 Alternative Patient Program participants registered under this
- Act may purchase an adequate medical supply at any dispensing 6
- organization licensed by the Department of Financial and 7
- Professional Regulation under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax 8
- 9 Act.

- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)
- (410 ILCS 130/60) 11
- 12 Sec. 60. Issuance of registry identification cards.
- 13 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the Department
- 14 of Public Health shall:
- (1) verify the information contained in an application 15 or renewal for a registry identification card submitted 16 under this Act, and approve or deny an application or 17 18 renewal, within 90 days of receiving a completed
- 19 application or renewal application and all supporting

documentation specified in Section 55;

- issue registry identification cards 21 (2)
- 22 qualifying patient and his or her designated caregiver, if
- 23 any, within 15 business days of approving the application
- 24 or renewal; and
- 25 (3) enter the registry identification number of the

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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

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- 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.
 - (c-10) An individual who submits an application as someone who is terminally ill shall have all fees waived. 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 her caregiver under this Act.
- 25 (e) Upon the approval of the registration and issuance of 26 a registry card under this Section, the Department of Public

1 Health shall electronically forward the registered qualifying 2 patient's identification card information to the Prescription Monitoring Program established under the Illinois Controlled 3 4 Substances Act and certify that the individual is permitted to 5 engage in the medical use of cannabis. For the purposes of patient care, the Prescription Monitoring Program shall make a 6 notation on the person's prescription record stating that the 7 person is a registered qualifying patient who is entitled to 8 9 the lawful medical use of cannabis. If the person no longer 10 holds a valid registry card, the Department of Public Health 11 shall notify the Prescription Monitoring Program and Department of Human Services to remove the notation from the 12 13 person's record. The Department of Human Services and the 14 Prescription Monitoring Program shall establish a system by 15 which the information may be shared electronically. This 16 confidential list may not be combined or linked in any manner with any other list or database except as provided in this 17 18 Section.

- 19 (f) (Blank).
- 20 (Source: P.A. 100-1114, eff. 8-28-18; 101-363, eff. 8-9-19;
- 21 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 22 (410 ILCS 130/62)
- 23 Sec. 62. Opioid Alternative <u>Patient</u> Program.
- 24 (a) The Department of Public Health shall establish the 25 Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program. Licensed dispensing

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organizations shall allow persons with a written certification from a certifying health care professional under Section 36 to purchase medical cannabis upon enrollment in the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program. The Department of Public Health shall adopt rules or establish procedures allowing qualified veterans to participate in the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program. For a person to receive medical cannabis under this Section, the person must present the written certification along with a valid driver's license or state identification card to the licensed dispensing organization specified in his or her application. dispensing organization shall verify the person's status as an Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program participant through the Department of Public Health's online verification system.

- (b) The Opioid Alternative $\underline{\text{Patient}}$ $\underline{\text{Pilot}}$ Program shall be limited to participation by Illinois residents age 21 and older.
- Regulation shall specify that all licensed dispensing organizations participating in the Opioid Alternative Patient Program use the Illinois Cannabis Tracking System. The Department of Public Health shall establish and maintain the Illinois Cannabis Tracking System. The Illinois Cannabis Tracking System. The Illinois Cannabis Tracking System shall be used to collect information about all persons participating in the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program and shall be used to track the sale of medical cannabis

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Each dispensing organization shall retain a copy of the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program certification and other identifying information as required by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Department of Public Health, and the Illinois State Police in the Illinois Cannabis Tracking System.

The Illinois Cannabis Tracking System shall be accessible to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Department of Public Health, Department of Agriculture, and the Illinois State Police.

The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation in collaboration with the Department of Public Health shall specify the data requirements for the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program by licensed dispensing organizations; including, but not limited to, the participant's full legal name, address, and date of birth, date on which the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program certification was issued, length of the participation in the Program, including the start and end date to purchase medical cannabis, name of the issuing physician, copy of the participant's current driver's license or State identification card, and phone number.

Illinois Cannabis Tracking System shall provide verification of a person's participation in the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program for law enforcement at any time and on any day.

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(d) The certification for Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program participant must be issued by a certifying health care professional who is licensed to practice in Illinois under the Medical Practice Act of 1987, the Nurse Practice Act, or the Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987 and who is in good standing and holds a controlled substances license under Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.

The certification for an Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program participant shall be written within 90 days before the participant submits his or her certification to the dispensing organization.

written certification uploaded to the Cannabis Tracking System shall be accessible to the Department of Public Health.

Upon verification of the individual's certification and enrollment in the Illinois Cannabis Tracking System, the dispensing organization may dispense the medical cannabis, in amounts not exceeding 2.5 ounces of medical cannabis per 14-day period to the participant participant's specified dispensary for no more than 90 days.

An Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program participant shall not be registered as a medical cannabis cardholder. The dispensing organization shall verify that the person is not an active registered qualifying patient prior to enrollment in the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program and each time medical cannabis is dispensed.

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Upon receipt of a written certification under the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program, the Department of Public Health shall electronically forward the patient's identification information to the Prescription Monitoring Program established under the Illinois Controlled Substances Act and certify that the individual is permitted to engage in the medical use of cannabis. For the purposes of patient care, the Prescription Monitoring Program shall make a notation on the person's prescription record stating that the person has a written certification under the Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot Program and is a patient who is entitled to the lawful medical use of cannabis. If the person is no longer authorized to engage in the medical use of cannabis, the Department of Public Health shall notify the Prescription Monitoring Program and Department of Human Services to remove the notation from the person's record. The Department of Human Services and the Prescription Monitoring Program shall establish a system by which the information may be shared electronically. This confidential list may not be combined or linked in any manner with any other list or database except as provided in this Section.

(f) An Opioid Alternative <u>Patient</u> <u>Pilot</u> Program participant shall not be considered a qualifying patient with a debilitating medical condition under this Act and shall be provided access to medical cannabis solely for the duration of the participant's certification. Nothing in this Section shall

- be construed to limit or prohibit an Opioid Alternative 1
- Patient Program participant who has a debilitating 2
- medical condition from applying to the Compassionate Use of 3
- 4 Medical Cannabis Program.
- 5 (g) A person with a provisional registration under Section
- 6 55 shall not be considered an Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot
- 7 Program participant.
- 8 (h) (Blank). The Department of Financial and Professional
- 9 Regulation and the Department of Public Health shall submit
- 10 emergency rulemaking to implement the changes made by this
- amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly by December 1, 11
- 2018. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, 12
- 13 the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Human
- Services, the Department of Public Health, and the Illinois 14
- 15 State Police shall utilize emergency purchase authority for 12
- 16 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the
- 100th General Assembly for the purpose of implementing the 17
- changes made by this amendatory Act of the 100th General 18
- 19 Assembly.
- 20 Dispensing organizations are not authorized to
- dispense medical cannabis to Opioid Alternative Patient Pilot 2.1
- Program participants until administrative rules are approved 22
- by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and go into 23
- 24 effect.
- 25 (Blank). The provisions of this (†)
- 26 inoperative on and after July 1, 2025.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-16, eff. 6-17-21.)
- 2 (410 ILCS 130/70)
- 3 Sec. 70. Registry identification cards.
- 4 A registered qualifying patient or designated caregiver must keep their registry identification card in his 5 or her possession at all times when engaging in the medical use 6
- 7 of cannabis.

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- 8 (b) Registry identification cards shall contain the 9 following:
- 10 (1) the name of the cardholder;
- (2) a designation of whether the cardholder is a 11 12 designated caregiver or qualifying patient;
- 13 (3) the date of issuance and expiration date of the 14 registry identification card;
- 15 (4) a random alphanumeric identification number that 16 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.
- 23 (c) To maintain a valid registration identification card, 24 a registered qualifying patient and designated caregiver must 25 annually resubmit, at least 45 days prior to the expiration

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- date stated on the registry identification card, a completed renewal application, renewal fee, and accompanying documentation as described in Department of Public Health rules. The Department of Public Health shall notification to a registered qualifying patient or registered designated caregiver 90 days prior to the expiration of the registered qualifying patient's or registered designated caregiver's identification card. If the Department of Public Health fails to grant or deny a renewal application received in accordance with this Section, then the renewal is deemed granted and the registered qualifying patient or registered designated caregiver may continue to use the expired identification card until the Department of Public Health denies the renewal or issues a new identification card.
 - (d) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the 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.
- (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 99-519, eff. 6-30-16.) 23
- 24 (410 ILCS 130/75)
- 25 Sec. 75. Notifications to Department of Public Health and

1 responses; civil penalty.

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- (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

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- 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
 - (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

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

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- 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

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- 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;

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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

1	members is under 21 years of age;
2	(6) (blank); a principal officer or board member of
3	the cultivation center has been convicted of a felony
4	under the laws of this State, any other state, or the
5	United States;
6	(7) (blank); or a principal officer or board member of
7	the cultivation center has been convicted of any violation
8	of Article 28 of the Criminal Code of 2012, or
9	substantially similar laws of any other jurisdiction; or
10	(8) the person has submitted an application for a
11	certificate under this Act which contains false
12	information.
13	(f) Beginning July 1, 2026, the Department shall cease to
14	issue or renew any medical cannabis cultivation permit.
15	Licenses that hold dual medical cannabis cultivation permits
16	and Adult use cultivation center licenses may continue all
17	operations with a valid cultivation center license issued
18	under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
19	(g) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
20	(Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
21	(410 ILCS 130/90)

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Sec. 90. Renewal of cultivation center registrations. 22

(a) Registrations shall be renewed annually. The registered cultivation center shall receive written notice 90 days prior to the expiration of its current registration that

- 1 the registration will expire. The Department of Agriculture
- shall grant a renewal application within 45 days of its 2
- submission if the following conditions are satisfied: 3
- 4 the registered cultivation center submits 5 application and the required renewal renewal established by the Department of Agriculture by rule; and 6
- (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended 7 8 the registration of the cultivation center or suspended or 9 revoked the registration for violation of this Act or 10 rules adopted under this Act.
- 11 (b) Beginning July 1, 2026, all cultivation center permits
- issued under Section 85 shall be renewed in accordance with 12
- 13 Section 20-45 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act and shall
- 14 be subject to the requirements and prohibitions of the
- 15 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.
- 16 (c) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
- (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14.) 17
- (410 ILCS 130/95) 18
- 19 Sec. 95. Background checks.
- 2.0 (a) The Department of Agriculture through the Illinois
- 21 State Police shall conduct a background check of
- 22 prospective cultivation center agents. The Illinois State
- 23 Police shall charge a fee for conducting the criminal history
- 24 record check, which shall be deposited in the State Police
- Services Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the 25

- 1 record check. In order to carry out this provision, each person applying as a cultivation center agent shall submit a 2 3 full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police for the 4 purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records 5 These fingerprints shall be checked against the fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed 6 by law, filed in the Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau 7 of Investigation criminal history records databases. 8 9 Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive 10 identification, all Illinois conviction information to the 11 Department of Agriculture.
- 12 (b) When applying for the initial permit, the background 13 checks for the principal officer, board members, and 14 registered agents shall be completed prior to submitting the 15 application to the Department of Agriculture.
- (c) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 18 (410 ILCS 130/100)
- 19 Sec. 100. Cultivation center agent identification card.
- 20 (a) The Department of Agriculture shall:
- 21 (1) verify the information contained in an application 22 or renewal for a cultivation center identification card 23 submitted under this Act, and approve or deny an 24 application or renewal, within 30 days of receiving a 25 completed application or renewal application and all

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- (2) issue a cultivation center agent identification 2 3 card to a qualifying agent within 15 business days of approving the application or renewal; 4
 - (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.
- 14 The cultivation center agent identification cards 15 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
 - (4) a photograph of the cardholder.
- 23 (d) The cultivation center agent identification cards 24 shall be immediately returned to the cultivation center upon 25 termination of employment.
 - (e) Any card lost by a cultivation center agent shall be

- 1 reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department of
- Agriculture immediately upon discovery of the loss. 2
- 3 (f) (Blank). An applicant shall be denied a cultivation 4 center agent identification card if he or she has been
- 5 convicted of an excluded offense.
- An agent applicant may begin employment at 6
- cultivation center while the agent applicant's identification 7
- card application is pending. Upon approval, the Department 8
- 9 shall issue the agent's identification card to the agent. If
- 10 denied, the cultivation center and the agent applicant shall
- 11 be notified and the agent applicant must cease all activity at
- the cultivation center immediately. 12
- 13 (h) Beginning July 1, 2026, all cultivation center
- identification cards and renewals shall be renewed in 14
- 15 accordance with Section 20-45 of the Cannabis Regulation and
- 16 Tax Act.
- (i) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027. 17
- (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 18
- 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.) 19
- (410 ILCS 130/105) 2.0
- 21 105. Requirements; prohibitions; penalties
- 22 cultivation centers.
- 23 (a) The operating documents of a registered cultivation
- 24 center shall include procedures for the oversight of the
- 25 cultivation center, a cannabis plant monitoring system

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- including a physical inventory recorded weekly, a cannabis container system including a physical inventory recorded 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

- 1 working on jobs unrelated to medical cannabis, such as
- 2 installing or maintaining security devices or performing
- 3 electrical wiring.
- 4 (e) A cultivation center may not sell or distribute any
- 5 cannabis to any individual or entity other than another
- 6 cultivation center, a dispensing organization registered under
- 7 this Act, or a laboratory licensed by the Department of
- 8 Agriculture.
- 9 (f) All harvested cannabis intended for distribution to a
- dispensing organization must be packaged in a labeled medical
- 11 cannabis container and entered into a data collection system.
- 12 (g) (Blank). No person who has been convicted of an
- 13 excluded offense may be a cultivation center agent.
- 14 (h) Registered cultivation centers are subject to random
- inspection by the Illinois State Police.
- 16 (i) Registered cultivation centers are subject to random
- 17 inspections by the Department of Agriculture and the
- 18 Department of Public Health.
- 19 (j) A cultivation center agent shall notify local law
- 20 enforcement, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of
- 21 Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or
- theft. Notification shall be made by phone or in-person, or by
- written or electronic communication.
- 24 (k) A cultivation center shall comply with all State and
- 25 federal rules and regulations regarding the use of pesticides.
- 26 (1) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.

(Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.) 1

2 (410 ILCS 130/110)

3 Sec. 110. Suspension; revocation; other penalties for 4 cultivation centers and agents. Notwithstanding any other 5 criminal penalties related to the unlawful possession of cannabis, the Department of Agriculture may revoke, suspend, 6 place on probation, reprimand, issue cease and desist orders, 7 8 refuse to issue or renew a registration, or take any other 9 disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the Department of 10 Agriculture may deem proper with regard to a registered cultivation center or cultivation center agent, including 11 12 imposing fines not to exceed \$50,000 for each violation, for 13 any violations of this Act and rules adopted under this Act. 14 The procedures for disciplining a registered cultivation 15 center or cultivation center agent and for administrative 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 18 19 rules. The term "administrative decision" is defined as in 20 Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure. This Section is 21 repealed on January 1, 2027.

- (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15.) 22
- 23 (410 ILCS 130/115)
- 24 Sec. 115. Registration of dispensing organizations.

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(a) The Department of Financial and Professional
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

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- (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
- has high rates of arrest, conviction, and incarceration related to sale, possession, 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

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- 1 the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act or any Tied Applicant Lottery conducted under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. 2
- "Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant" means 3 4 applicant that is an Illinois resident and one of 5 following:
 - (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.
 - organization When applying for а dispensing registration, the applicant shall submit, at a minimum, the following in accordance with Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules:
 - (1) a non-refundable application fee established by

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- 2 (2) the proposed legal name of the dispensing organization;
- 4 (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
- 12 (7) (blank).
- 13 (d) The Department of Financial and Professional 14 Regulation shall conduct a background check of the prospective 15 dispensing organization agents in order to carry out this 16 Section. The Department of State Police shall charge a fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which shall be 17 deposited in the State Police Services Fund and shall not 18 exceed the actual cost of the record check. Each person 19 20 applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Department of State Police for 2.1 22 the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal records 23 These fingerprints shall be checked against the 24 fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed 25 by law, filed in the Department of State Police and Federal 26 Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases.

- 1 The Department of State Police shall furnish, following
- positive identification, all Illinois conviction information 2
- 3 to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.
- 4 (e) A dispensing organization must pay a registration fee
- 5 set by the Department of Financial and Professional
- 6 Regulation.
- (f) An application for a medical cannabis dispensing 7
- 8 organization registration must be denied if any of the
- 9 following conditions are met:
- 10 (1) the applicant failed to submit the materials
- required by this Section, including if the applicant's 11
- plans do not satisfy the security, oversight, or 12
- 13 recordkeeping rules issued by the Department of Financial
- 14 and Professional Regulation;
- 15 (2) the applicant would not be in compliance with
- local zoning rules issued in accordance with Section 140; 16
- 17 (3) the applicant does not meet the requirements of
- Section 130; 18
- (4) one or more of the prospective principal officers 19
- 20 or board members has been convicted of an excluded
- offense: 2.1
- 22 (5) one or more of the prospective principal officers
- 23 or board members has served as a principal officer or
- 24 board member for a registered medical cannabis dispensing
- 25 organization that has had its registration revoked; and
- 26 (6) one or more of the principal officers or board

- 1 members is under 21 years of age.
- 2 (g) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.)
- 4 (410 ILCS 130/120)
- 5 Sec. 120. Dispensing organization agent identification
- 6 card.
- 7 (a) The Department of Financial and Professional
- 8 Regulation shall:
- 9 (1) verify the information contained in an application
- 10 or renewal for a dispensing organization agent
- 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;
- 15 (2) issue a dispensing organization agent
- 16 identification card to a qualifying agent within 15
- business days of approving the application or renewal;
- 18 (3) enter the registry identification number of the
- dispensing organization where the agent works; and
- 20 (4) allow for an electronic application process, and
- 21 provide a confirmation by electronic or other methods that
- an application has been submitted.
- 23 (b) A dispensing agent must keep his or her identification
- 24 card visible at all times when on the property of a dispensing
- 25 organization.

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- (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 4 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the dispensing organization agent identification cards;
- 6 (3) a random 10 digit alphanumeric identification
 7 number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4
 8 letters; that is unique to the holder; and
 - (4) a photograph of the cardholder.
- 10 (d) The dispensing organization agent identification cards
 11 shall be immediately returned to the dispensing organization
 12 upon termination of employment.
- (e) Any card lost by a dispensing organization agent shall be reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation immediately upon discovery of the loss.
- (f) Agent renewal on and after July 1, 2026 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.
- 22 (g) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.

 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15.)
- 24 (410 ILCS 130/125)
- 25 Sec. 125. Medical cannabis dispensing organization

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- (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.
- 23 (d) Any dispensing organization that continues to operate 24 or dispensing agent that continues to work or volunteer at a 25 dispensing organization that fails to renew its registration 26 shall be subject to penalty as provided in Section 130.

- 1 (e) A dispensing organization licensed under this Act
- 2 <u>shall renew its license in accordance with Section 15-45 of</u>
- 3 the Cannabis Regulation Tax Act on and after July 1, 2026.
- 4 (f) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14.)
- 6 (410 ILCS 130/130)
- 7 Sec. 130. Requirements; prohibitions; penalties;
- 8 dispensing organizations.
- 9 (a) The Department of Financial and Professional
- 10 Regulation shall implement the provisions of this Section by
- 11 rule.
- 12 (b) A dispensing organization shall maintain operating
- documents which shall include procedures for the oversight of
- 14 the registered dispensing organization and procedures to
- 15 ensure accurate recordkeeping.
- 16 (c) A dispensing organization shall implement appropriate
- 17 security measures, as provided by rule, to deter and prevent
- 18 the theft of cannabis and unauthorized entrance into areas
- 19 containing cannabis.
- 20 (d) A dispensing organization may not be located within
- 21 1,000 feet of the property line of a pre-existing public or
- 22 private preschool or elementary or secondary school or day
- 23 care center, day care home, group day care home, or part day
- 24 child care facility. A registered dispensing organization may
- not be located in a house, apartment, condominium, or an area

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

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

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- 2 (2) that the person presenting the written 3 certification is the person identified on the written 4 certification; and
 - (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.
 - (1) A dispensing organization may not permit any person to consume cannabis on the property of a medical cannabis organization.
- 24 (m) A dispensing organization may not share office space 25 with or refer patients to a certifying health care 26 professional.

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- (n) Notwithstanding any other criminal penalties related to the unlawful possession of cannabis, the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand, refuse to issue or renew, or take any other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may deem proper with regard to the registration of any person issued under this Act to operate a dispensing organization or act as a dispensing organization agent, including imposing fines not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation, for any violations of this Act and rules adopted in accordance with this Act. The disciplining procedures for а registered dispensing organization shall be determined by rule. All final administrative decisions of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation are subject to judicial review under the Administrative Review Law and its rules. The term "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 3-101 of 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.
- (p) The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall adopt rules permitting returns, and potential refunds, for damaged or inadequate products.

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

(r) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.

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

(410 ILCS 130/140)

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

- 1 regulate registered medical cannabis organizations other than
- as provided in this Act and may not unreasonably prohibit the 2
- cultivation, dispensing, 3 and use of medical cannabis
- 4 authorized by this Act. This Section is a denial and
- 5 limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of
- the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent exercise by home 6
- rule units of powers and functions exercised by the State. 7
- This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1172, eff. 1-12-15.)
- 10 (410 ILCS 130/145)
- Sec. 145. Confidentiality. 11
- 12 (a) The following information received and records kept by
- 13 the Department of Public Health, Department of Financial and
- 14 Professional Regulation, Department of Agriculture, Department
- 15 of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Office of Executive
- Inspector General, or Illinois State Police for purposes of 16
- 17 administering this Act are subject to all applicable federal
- privacy laws, confidential, and exempt from the Freedom of 18
- 19 Information Act, and not subject to disclosure to any
- individual or public or private entity, except as necessary 20
- 21 for authorized employees of those authorized agencies to
- 22 perform official duties under this Act and except as necessary
- 23 to those involved in enforcing the State Officials and
- 24 Employees Ethics Act, and the following information received
- 25 and records kept by Department of Public Health, Department of

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- Agriculture, <u>Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity</u>,

 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, <u>Office of Executive Inspector General</u>, and Illinois State Police,

 excluding any existing or non-existing Illinois or national criminal history record information as defined in subsection

 (d), may be disclosed to each other upon request:
 - (1) Applications and renewals, their contents, and supporting information submitted by qualifying patients, provisional patients, and designated caregivers, including information regarding their designated caregivers and certifying health care professionals.
 - (2) Applications and renewals, their contents, and supporting information submitted by or on behalf of cultivation centers and dispensing organizations in compliance with this Act, including their physical addresses. This does not preclude the release of ownership information of cannabis business establishment licenses.
 - (3) The individual names and other information identifying persons to whom the Department of Public Health has issued registry identification cards.
 - (4) Any dispensing information required to be kept under Section 135, Section 150, or Department of Public Health, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Financial and Professional Regulation rules shall identify cardholders and registered cultivation centers by their registry identification numbers and medical cannabis

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- dispensing organizations by their registration number and not contain names or other personally identifying information.
 - (5) All medical records provided to the Department of Public Health in connection with an application for a registry card.
 - (b) Nothing in this Section precludes the following:
 - (1) Department of Agriculture, Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, or Public Health employees may notify law enforcement about falsified or fraudulent information submitted to the Departments if the employee who suspects that falsified or fraudulent information has been submitted conferred with his or her supervisor and both agree that circumstances exist that warrant reporting.
 - (2) If the employee conferred with his or her supervisor and both agree that circumstances exist that warrant reporting, Department of Public Health employees may notify the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation if there is reasonable cause to believe a certifying health care professional:
 - (A) issued a written certification without a bona fide health care professional-patient relationship under this Act;
 - (B) issued a written certification to a person who was not under the certifying health care

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- (C) failed to abide by the acceptable and prevailing standard of care when evaluating a patient's medical condition.
- (3) The Department of Public Health, Department of Agriculture, and Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may notify State or local law enforcement about apparent criminal violations of this Act if the employee who suspects the offense has conferred with his or her supervisor and both agree that circumstances exist that warrant reporting.
- (4) Medical cannabis cultivation center agents and medical cannabis dispensing organizations may notify the Department of Public Health, Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, or Department of Agriculture of a suspected violation or attempted violation of this Act or the rules issued under it.
- (5) Each Department may verify registry identification cards under Section 150.
- (6) The submission of the report to the General Assembly under Section 160.
- (b-5) Each Department responsible for licensure under this Act shall publish on the Department's website a list of the ownership information of cannabis business establishment licensees under the Department's jurisdiction. The list shall

- 1 include, but shall not be limited to, the name of the person or
- entity holding each cannabis business establishment license 2
- 3 and the address at which the entity is operating under this
- 4 Act. This list shall be published and updated monthly.
- 5 (c) Except for any ownership information released pursuant
- to subsection (b-5) or as otherwise authorized or required by 6
- law, it is a Class B misdemeanor with a \$1,000 fine for any 7
- person, including an employee or official of the Department of 8
- 9 Public Health, Department of Financial and Professional
- 10 Regulation, or Department of Agriculture or another State
- 11 agency or local government, to breach the confidentiality of
- information obtained under this Act. 12
- 13 (d) The Department of Public Health, the Department of
- 14 Agriculture, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of
- 15 Financial and Professional Regulation shall not share or
- 16 disclose any existing or non-existing Illinois or national
- criminal history record information. For the purposes of this 17
- 18 Section, "any existing or non-existing Illinois or national
- criminal history record information" means any Illinois or 19
- 20 national criminal history record information, including but
- not limited to the lack of or non-existence of these records. 2.1
- 22 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section,
- the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and 23
- the Department of Agriculture may share with the Department of 24
- 25 Commerce and Economic Opportunity any licensee information
- necessary to support the administration of social equity 26

- 1 programming.
- (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 2
- 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.) 3
- 4 (410 ILCS 130/150)
- 5 Sec. 150. Registry identification and registration
- 6 certificate verification.
- (a) The Department of Public Health shall maintain a 7
- 8 confidential list of the persons to whom the Department of
- 9 Public Health has issued registry identification cards and
- 10 their addresses, phone numbers, and registry identification
- numbers. This confidential list may not be combined or linked 11
- in any manner with any other list or database except as 12
- 13 provided in this Section.
- 14 (b) Within 180 days of the effective date of this Act, the
- 15 Department of Public Health, Department of Financial and
- Professional Regulation, and Department of Agriculture shall 16
- together establish a computerized database or verification 17
- system. The database or verification system must allow law 18
- 19 enforcement personnel and medical cannabis dispensary
- organization agents to determine whether or not 20
- 21 identification number corresponds with a current, valid
- 22 registry identification card. The system shall only disclose
- 23 whether the identification card is valid, whether the
- 24 cardholder is a registered qualifying patient, provisional
- 25 patient, or a registered designated caregiver, the registry

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identification number of the registered medical 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. 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 registration cards to medical cannabis 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.

24 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)

- 1 Sec. 180. Destruction of medical cannabis.
- (a) All cannabis byproduct, scrap, and harvested cannabis 2
- not intended for distribution to a 3 medical cannabis
- 4 organization must be destroyed and disposed of pursuant to
- 5 State law. Documentation of destruction and disposal shall be
- retained at the cultivation center for a period of not less 6
- 7 than 5 years.
- (b) A cultivation center shall prior to the destruction, 8
- 9 notify the Department of Agriculture and the Illinois State
- 10 Police.
- 11 (c) The cultivation center shall keep record of the date
- of destruction and how much was destroyed. 12
- 13 (d) A dispensary organization shall destroy all cannabis,
- 14 including cannabis-infused products, that are not sold to
- 15 registered qualifying patients. Documentation of destruction
- 16 and disposal shall be retained at the dispensary organization
- for a period of not less than 5 years. 17
- 18 A dispensary organization shall prior the
- 19 destruction, notify the Department of Financial and
- 20 Professional Regulation and the Illinois State Police.
- (f) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027. 2.1
- 22 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 23 (410 ILCS 130/200)
- 24 Sec. 200. Tax imposed.
- (a) Beginning on January 1, 2014 and through December 31, 25

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2025 the effective date of this Act, a tax is imposed upon the privilege of cultivating medical cannabis at a rate of 7% of the sales price per ounce. Beginning January 1, 2026, a tax is imposed on the privilege of cultivating medical cannabis at the rate of 7% of the gross receipts from the first sale of medical cannabis by a cultivator. The sale of any product that contains any amount of medical 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 medical cannabis when the seller and purchaser are affiliated persons or when the sale and purchase of medical cannabis is not an arm's length transaction, and a value is not established for the medical 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 medical cannabis of like quality, character, and use in the area, then the Department shall establish a reasonable value based on sales of products of like quality, character, and use in the other areas of the State, taking into consideration any other relevant factors. Beginning July 1, 2026, the privilege of cultivating cannabis shall be subject to the tax imposed under Section 60-10 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Through June 30, 2026 the The proceeds from this tax shall be deposited into the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund created under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

- 1 This tax shall be paid by a cultivation center and is not the
- 2 responsibility of a dispensing organization or a qualifying
- 3 patient.
- 4 (b) The tax imposed under this Act shall be in addition to
- 5 all other occupation or privilege taxes imposed by the State
- of Illinois or by any municipal corporation or political
- 7 subdivision thereof.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 101-363, eff. 8-9-19.)
- 9 (410 ILCS 130/205)
- 10 Sec. 205. Department enforcement.
- 11 (a) Every person subject to the tax under this Law shall
- 12 apply to the Department (upon a form prescribed and furnished
- 13 by the Department) for a certificate of registration under
- this Law. Application for a certificate of registration shall
- 15 be made to the Department upon forms furnished by the
- Department. The certificate of registration which is issued by
- 17 the Department to a retailer under the Retailers' Occupation
- 18 Tax Act shall permit the taxpayer to engage in a business which
- is taxable under this Law without registering separately with
- 20 the Department. Beginning July 1, 2026, a person licensed as a
- 21 cultivation center or dispensing organization under the
- 22 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act shall be deemed to be
- 23 <u>sufficiently licensed under this Law by virtue of his or her</u>
- 24 being properly licensed under the Cannabis Regulation and Tax
- 25 <u>Act.</u>

- 1 (b) The Department shall have full power to administer and enforce this Law, to collect all taxes and penalties due 2 3 hereunder, to dispose of taxes and penalties so collected in 4 the manner hereinafter provided, and to determine all rights 5 to credit memoranda, arising on account of the erroneous payment of tax or penalty hereunder. In the administration of, 6 and compliance with, this Law, the Department and persons who 7 8 are subject to this Law shall have the same rights, remedies, 9 privileges, immunities, powers and duties, and be subject to 10 the same conditions, restrictions, limitations, penalties and 11 definitions of terms, and employ the same modes of procedure, as are prescribed in Sections 1, 1a, 2 through 2-65 (in respect 12 13 to all provisions therein other than the State rate of tax), 14 2a, 2b, 2c, 3 (except provisions relating to transaction 15 returns and quarter monthly payments, and except 16 provisions that are inconsistent with this Law), 4, 5, 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5e, 5f, 5g, 5i, 5j, 6, 6a, 6b, 6c, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17 11a, 12 and 13 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act and Section 18 19 3-7 of the Uniform Penalty and Interest Act as fully as if 20 those provisions were set forth herein.
- (Source: P.A. 98-122, eff. 1-1-14.) 2.1
- 22 (410 ILCS 130/210)
- 23 Sec. 210. Returns.
- 24 (a) This subsection (a) applies to returns due on or 25 before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st

- 1 General Assembly. On or before the twentieth day of each
- calendar month, every person subject to the tax imposed under 2
- 3 this Law during the preceding calendar month shall file a
- 4 return with the Department, stating:
- 5 (1) The name of the taxpayer;
- (2) The number of ounces of medical cannabis sold to a 6
- dispensing organization or a registered qualifying patient 7
- 8 during the preceding calendar month;
- 9 (3) The amount of tax due;
- 10 (4) The signature of the taxpayer; and
- 11 (5) Such other reasonable information as the
- 12 Department may require.
- 13 If a taxpayer fails to sign a return within 30 days after
- 14 the proper notice and demand for signature by the Department,
- 15 the return shall be considered valid and any amount shown to be
- 16 due on the return shall be deemed assessed.
- 17 The taxpayer shall remit the amount of the tax due to the
- 18 Department at the time the taxpayer files his or her return.
- (b) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act 19
- 20 of the 101st General Assembly, Section 60-20 65-20 of the
- 2.1 Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act shall apply to returns filed
- 22 and taxes paid under this Act to the same extent as if those
- provisions were set forth in full in this Section. 23
- 24 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)

- 1 (410 ILCS 130/115.5 rep.)
- (410 ILCS 130/135 rep.) 2
- 3 (410 ILCS 130/162 rep.)
- 4 Section 45. The Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- 5 Program Act is amended by repealing Sections 80, 115.5, 135,
- 6 and 162.
- 7 Section 50. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- 8 by changing Sections 1-10, 5-10, 5-15, 7-10, 7-15, 7-20,
- 9 10-10, 10-15, 15-10, 15-15, 15-20, 15-25, 15-35, 15-35.10,
- 15-36, 15-40, 15-45, 15-65, 15-70, 15-75, 15-85, 15-100, 10
- 15-135, 15-145, 25-35, 30-10, 30-30, 30-35, 30-45, 35-25, 11
- 12 35-30, 35-40, 40-25, 40-30, 45-5, 50-5, 55-5, 55-10, 55-30,
- 55-65, 55-85, 60-5, 60-10, 65-5, 65-10, 65-30, 65-38, 65-42, 13
- 14 and the heading of Article 20 and Sections 20-10, 20-15,
- 20-20, 20-21, 20-30, 20-35 and 20-45 and by adding Sections 15
- 15-13, 15-17, 15-23, 15-24, and 40-31 as follows: 16
- (410 ILCS 705/1-10) 17
- 18 Sec. 1-10. Definitions. In this Act:
- "Adequate medical supply" means: 19
- 20 (1) 2.5 ounces of usable cannabis during a period of
- 21 14 days and that is derived solely from an intrastate
- 22 source.
- 23 (2) Subject to the rules of the Department of Public
- 24 Health, a patient may apply for a waiver where a

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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.

"Adult Use Cultivation Center License" means a license issued by the Department of Agriculture that permits a person 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 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

- 1 electronic media, and television advertising; the distribution
- of fliers and circulars; billboard advertising; and the 2
- display of window and interior signs. "Advertise" does not 3
- 4 mean exterior signage displaying only the name of the licensed
- 5 cannabis business establishment.
- 6 "Application points" means the number of points
- Dispensary Applicant receives on an application 7
- 8 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
- 9 "BLS Region" means a region in Illinois used by the United
- 10 States Bureau of Labor Statistics to gather and categorize
- 11 certain employment and wage data. The 17 such regions in
- Illinois are: Bloomington, Cape Girardeau, Carbondale-Marion, 12
- 13 Champaign-Urbana, Chicago-Naperville-Elgin,
- 14 Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Decatur, Kankakee, Peoria,
- 15 Rockford, St. Louis, Springfield, Northwest Illinois
- 16 nonmetropolitan area, West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan
- area, East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan area, and South 17
- 18 Illinois nonmetropolitan area.
- "By lot" means a randomized method of choosing between 2 19
- 20 or more Eligible Tied Applicants or 2 or more Qualifying
- 2.1 Applicants.
- "Cannabis" means marijuana, hashish, and other substances 22
- 23 that are identified as including any parts of the plant
- 24 Cannabis sativa and including derivatives or subspecies, such
- 25 as indica, of all strains of cannabis, whether growing or not;
- 26 the seeds thereof, the resin extracted from any part of the

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plant; and any compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, 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 the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, preparation of the mature stalks (except the resin extracted from it), fiber, oil or cake, or the sterilized seed of the plant that is incapable of germination. "Cannabis" does not include industrial hemp as defined and authorized under the Industrial Hemp Act. "Cannabis" also means cannabis flower, concentrate, and cannabis-infused products.

"Cannabis business establishment" means a cultivation center, craft grower, processing organization, infuser organization, dispensing organization, or transporting 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, CO2, 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

- 1 it is approved by the Department of Agriculture.
- "Cannabis container" means a sealed or resealable, 2
- traceable, container, or package used for the purpose of 3
- 4 containment of cannabis or cannabis-infused product during
- 5 transportation.
- 6 "Cannabis flower" means marijuana, hashish, and other
- substances that are identified as including any parts of the 7
- 8 plant Cannabis sativa and including derivatives or subspecies,
- 9 such as indica, of all strains of cannabis; including raw
- 10 kief, leaves, and buds, but not resin that has been extracted
- 11 from any part of such plant; nor any compound, manufacture,
- salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such plant, its 12
- 13 seeds, or resin.
- "Cannabis-infused product" means a beverage, food, oil, 14
- 15 ointment, tincture, topical formulation, or another product
- 16 containing cannabis or cannabis concentrate that is not
- intended to be smoked. 17
- "Cannabis paraphernalia" means equipment, products, or 18
- 19 materials intended to be used for planting, propagating,
- 20 cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, producing,
- 21 processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging,
- repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, ingesting, or 22
- 23 otherwise introducing cannabis into the human body.
- 24 "Cannabis plant monitoring system" or "plant monitoring
- 25 system" means a system that includes, but is not limited to,
- 26 testing and data collection established and maintained by the

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- cultivation center, craft grower, or <u>infuser</u> 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
- 9 "Cannabis testing facility" means an entity registered by
 10 the Department of Agriculture to test cannabis for potency and
 11 contaminants.

from seed planting to final packaging.

- "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 age or older, licensed by the Department of Agriculture, and is employed or contracted by an Illinois community college to provide student instruction using cannabis plants at an Illinois Community College.
- "Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot
 Program faculty participant Agent Identification Card" means a
 document issued by the Department of Agriculture that
 identifies a person as a Community College Cannabis Vocational
 Training Pilot Program faculty participant.

"Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License" means a contingent license awarded to applicants for an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License that reserves the right to an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License if the applicant meets certain conditions described in this Act, but does not entitle the recipient to begin purchasing or selling cannabis or cannabis-infused products.

"Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center License" means a license awarded to top-scoring applicants for <u>a</u> an Adult Use Cultivation Center License that reserves the right to <u>a</u> an Adult Use Cultivation Center License if the applicant meets certain conditions as determined by the Department of Agriculture by rule, but does not entitle the recipient to begin growing, processing, or selling cannabis or cannabis-infused products.

"Craft grower" means a facility operated by an organization or business that is licensed by the Department of 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 14,000 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

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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 organization or business that is licensed by the Department of Agriculture to cultivate, process, transport (unless otherwise limited by this Act), and perform other necessary activities to provide cannabis and cannabis-infused products to cannabis business establishments. As used in this Act, "cultivation center" includes any cultivation center which prior to July 1, 2026, was a cultivation center as defined in the Compassionate

Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

"Cultivation center agent" means a principal officer,

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- 1 board member, employee, or other agent of a cultivation center
- who is 21 years of age or older. 2
- "Cultivation Center Agent Identification Card" means a 3 4 document issued by the Department of Agriculture 5 identifies a person as a cultivation center agent.
- 6 "Currency" means currency and coin of the United States.
 - "Designated caregiver" means a person who assists no more than one registered qualifying patient with the patient's medical use of cannabis, except the parent or legal guardian of a registered qualifying patient may assist each of their children who are registered qualifying patients.
- "Dispensary" means a facility operated by a dispensing 12 13 organization at which activities licensed by this Act may 14 occur.
 - "Dispensary Applicant" means the Proposed Dispensing Organization Name as stated on application for a an Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
 - "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

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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,
2026 , was a α 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 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

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- (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
 - 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

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1 Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act to

begin selling cannabis or cannabis-infused product to

3 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:

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(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, 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,

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- remainder of the marijuana plant growth cycle. 2
- "Individual" means a natural person. 3
 - "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.
- 9 "Infuser organization agent" means a principal officer, 10 board member, employee, or other agent of an infuser 11 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 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

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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 with access limited to purchasers, dispensing organization owners and other dispensing organization agents, professionals conducting business service dispensing organization, or, if sales to registered qualifying patients, caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid Alternative <u>Patient</u> <u>Pilot</u> Program participants licensed pursuant to the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program are also permitted at the dispensary, registered qualifying patients, caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid Alternative Patient 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 1
- of this Act, was arrested for, convicted of, or adjudicated 2
- 3 delinquent for any offense that is eligible for expungement
- 4 under this Act.
- 5 "Mother plant" means a cannabis plant that is cultivated
- or maintained for the purpose of generating clones, and that 6
- will not be used to produce plant material for sale to an 7
- 8 infuser or dispensing organization.
- "Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant" means an 9
- 10 individual who has received a valid written certification to
- 11 participate in the Opioid Alternative Patient Program for a
- medical condition for which an opioid has been or could be 12
- 13 prescribed by a certifying health care professional based on
- 14 generally accepted standards of care.
- 15 "Ordinary public view" means within the sight line with
- 16 normal visual range of a person, unassisted by visual aids,
- 17 from a public street or sidewalk adjacent to real property, or
- 18 from within an adjacent property.
- "Ownership and control" means ownership of at least 51% of 19
- 20 the business, including corporate stock if a corporation, and
- 2.1 control over the management and day-to-day operations of the
- 22 business and an interest in the capital, assets, and profits
- and losses of the business proportionate to percentage of 23
- 24 ownership.
- 25 "Person" means a natural individual, firm, partnership,
- association, joint stock company, joint venture, public or 26

- 1 private corporation, limited liability company, or a receiver,
- 2 executor, trustee, guardian, or other representative appointed
- 3 by order of any court.
- 4 "Possession limit" means the amount of cannabis under
- 5 Section 10-10 that may be possessed at any one time by a person
- 6 21 years of age or older or who is a registered qualifying
- 7 medical cannabis patient, or caregiver, or Opioid Alternative
- 8 Patient Program participant under the Compassionate Use of
- 9 Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- 10 "Principal officer" includes a cannabis business
- 11 establishment applicant or licensed cannabis business
- 12 establishment's board member, owner with more than 1% interest
- of the total cannabis business establishment or more than 5%
- 14 interest of the total cannabis business establishment of a
- publicly traded company, president, vice president, secretary,
- treasurer, partner, officer, member, manager member, or person
- 17 with a profit sharing, financial interest, or revenue sharing
- 18 arrangement. The definition includes a person with authority
- 19 to control the cannabis business establishment, a person who
- 20 assumes responsibility for the debts of the cannabis business
- 21 establishment and who is further defined in this Act.
- "Primary residence" means a dwelling where a person
- 23 usually stays or stays more often than other locations. It may
- 24 be determined by, without limitation, presence, tax filings;
- 25 address on an Illinois driver's license, an Illinois
- 26 Identification Card, or an Illinois Person with a Disability

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"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 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

- 1 least 85% of 250 application points available under Section
- 15-30 as the applicant's final score and meets the definition 2
- 3 of "Social Equity Applicant" as set forth under this Section.
- 4 "Qualifying patient" or "qualified patient" means a person
- 5 who has been diagnosed by a certifying health care
- professional as having a debilitating medical condition as 6
- defined under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 7
- 8 Program Act.
- 9 "Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved Applicant"
- 10 means an applicant that submitted an application pursuant to
- Section 15-30 that received at least 85% of 250 application 11
- points available under Section 15-30 as the applicant's final 12
- 13 score and meets the criteria of either paragraph (1) or (2) of
- the definition of "Social Equity Applicant" as set forth under 14
- 15 this Section.
- 16 "Qualified Social Equity Applicant" means a Social Equity
- Applicant who has been awarded a conditional license under 17
- this Act to operate a cannabis business establishment. 18
- "Resided" means an individual's primary residence was 19
- 20 located within the relevant geographic area as established by
- 2 of the following: 2.1
- 22 (1)a signed lease agreement that includes
- 23 applicant's name;
- 24 (2) a property deed that includes the applicant's
- 25 name:
- 26 (3) school records;

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

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(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 expunged offenses, unless otherwise required by law.

"Social Equity Lottery Licensee" means a holder of an adult use cannabis dispensary license awarded through a lottery held under subsection (c) of Section 15-35.20 of this Act.

"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.

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1 "Tied Applicant Lottery" means the process established under 68 Ill. Adm. Code 1291.50 for awarding Conditional Adult 2 Use Dispensing Organization Licenses pursuant to Sections 3 4 15-25 and 15-30 among Eligible Tied Applicants.

"Tincture" means a cannabis-infused solution, typically comprised of alcohol, glycerin, or vegetable oils, derived either directly from the cannabis plant or from a processed cannabis extract. A tincture is not an alcoholic liquor as defined in the Liquor Control Act of 1934. A tincture shall include a calibrated dropper or other similar device capable of accurately measuring servings.

"Transporter transfer site" means a physical facility approved by the Department of Agriculture to be operated by a transporting organization where the transporting organization may transfer product from one vehicle to another. The Department may allow for onsite storage of cannabis product by rule.

"Transporting organization" or "transporter" means an organization or business that is licensed by the Department of Agriculture to transport cannabis or cannabis-infused product on behalf of a cannabis business establishment or a community college licensed under the Community College Vocational Training Pilot Program.

"Transporting organization agent" means a principal officer, board member, employee, or agent of a transporting organization.

- "Transporting organization agent identification card" 1
- means a document issued by the Department of Agriculture that 2
- 3 identifies a person as a transporting organization agent.
- 4 "Unit of local government" means any county, city,
- 5 village, or incorporated town.
- "Vegetative stage" means the stage of cultivation in which 6
- a cannabis plant is propagated to produce additional cannabis 7
- plants or reach a sufficient size for production. 8
- 9 includes seedlings, clones, mothers, and other immature
- 10 cannabis plants as follows:
- 11 (1) if the cannabis plant is in an area that has not
- been intentionally deprived of light for a period of time 12
- 13 intended to produce flower buds and induce maturation, it
- 14 has no more than 2 stigmas visible at each internode of the
- 15 cannabis plant; or
- 16 (2) any cannabis plant that is cultivated solely for
- 17 the purpose of propagating clones and is never used to
- produce cannabis. 18
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 19
- 20 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 5-13-22.) 2.1
- 22 (410 ILCS 705/5-10)
- 23 Sec. 5-10. Department of Agriculture.
- 24 (a) The Department of Agriculture shall administer and
- 25 enforce provisions of this Act relating to the oversight and

- registration of cultivation centers, craft growers, infuser 1 2 organizations, and transporting organizations and agents, issuance of identification cards 3 including the 4 establishing limits on potency or serving size for cannabis or 5 cannabis products. The Department of Agriculture may suspend 6 or revoke the license of, or impose other penalties upon cultivation centers, craft growers, infuser organizations, 7 transporting organizations, and their principal officers, 8 9 Agents-in-Charge, and agents for violations of this Act and
 - (b) The Department of Agriculture may establish, by rule, market protections that protect against unfair business practices, including, but not limited to, price-fixing, bid rigging, boycotts, agreements to not compete, exclusive wholesale arrangements for cannabis concentrate, cannabis flower, cannabis-infused products, and any product that is licensed under this Act to ensure all license types have equal access to the market without unfair competition.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.) 19

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- 21 Sec. 5-15. Department of Financial and Professional 22 Regulation.
- 23 Department of Financial and Professional (a) The 24 Regulation shall enforce the provisions of this Act relating 25 to the oversight and registration of dispensing organizations

- 1 and agents, including the issuance of identification cards for
- dispensing organization agents. The Department of Financial 2
- 3 and Professional Regulation may suspend or revoke the license
- 4 of, or otherwise discipline dispensing organizations,
- 5 principal officers, agents-in-charge, and agents
- violations of this Act and any rules adopted under this Act. 6
- (b) The Department of Financial and Professional 7
- Regulation may establish, by rule, market protections that 8
- 9 protect against unfair business practices, including, but not
- 10 limited to, price-fixing, bid rigging, boycotts, agreements to
- 11 not compete, exclusive wholesale arrangements for cannabis
- concentrate, cannabis flower, cannabis-infused products, and 12
- 13 any product that is licensed under this Act to ensure all
- 14 license types have equal access to the market without unfair
- 15 competition.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 17 (410 ILCS 705/7-10)
- Sec. 7-10. Cannabis Business Development Fund. 18
- 19 (a) There is created in the State treasury a special fund,
- 20 which shall be held separate and apart from all other State
- 21 moneys, to be known as the Cannabis Business Development Fund.
- 22 The Cannabis Business Development Fund shall be exclusively
- used for the following purposes: 23
- 24 (1) to provide low-interest rate loans to Qualified
- 25 Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery

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- (2) to provide grants to Qualified Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery Licensees to pay for ordinary and necessary expenses to start and operate a cannabis business establishment permitted by this Act;
- (3) to compensate the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for any costs related to provision of low-interest loans and grants to Qualified Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery Licensees;
- (4) to pay for outreach that may be provided or targeted to attract and support Social Equity Applicants and Qualified Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery Licensees;
- (5) to provide financial assistance to support lending to, or private investment in, Qualified Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery Licensees, or to facilitate access to the facilities needed to commence operations as a cannabis business establishment (blank);
- (6) to conduct any study or research concerning the participation of minorities, women, veterans, or people with disabilities in the cannabis industry, including, without limitation, barriers to such individuals entering the industry as equity owners of cannabis business

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- (6.5) to enter into financial intermediary agreements to facilitate lending to or investment in Qualified Social Equity Applicants, Social Equity Lottery Licensees, or their subsidiaries or affiliates, to ensure the availability of facilities necessary to operate a cannabis business establishment;
 - (7) (blank); and
- to assist with job training and technical assistance for residents in Disproportionately Impacted Areas.
- (b) All moneys collected under Sections 15-15 and 15-20 for Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses issued before January 1, 2021 and remunerations made as a result of transfers of permits awarded to Qualified Social Equity Applicants shall be deposited into the Cannabis Business Development Fund.
- 18 (c) (Blank).
- (c-5) In addition to any other transfers that may be 19 20 provided for by law, on July 1, 2023, or as soon thereafter as practical, the State Comptroller shall direct and the State 2.1 22 Treasurer shall transfer the sum of \$40,000,000 from the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund to the Cannabis 23 24 Business Development Fund.
- 25 (d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the 26 Cannabis Business Development Fund is not subject to sweeps,

- 1 administrative charge-backs, or any other fiscal or budgetary
- maneuver that would in any way transfer any amounts from the 2
- Cannabis Business Development Fund into any other fund of the 3
- 4 State.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.)
- (410 ILCS 705/7-15) 6
- 7 Sec. 7-15. Loans, financial assistance, and grants to
- 8 Qualified Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery
- 9 Licensees.
- 10 (a) The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- shall establish grant, and loan, and financial assistance 11
- 12 programs, subject to appropriations from the Cannabis Business
- 13 Development Fund, for the purposes of providing financial
- 14 assistance, loans, grants, and technical assistance to
- Qualified Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery 15
- 16 Licensees.
- 17 (b) The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
- 18 has the power to:
- 19 (1) provide Cannabis Social Equity loans, financial
- 20 assistance, and grants from appropriations from the
- 21 Cannabis Business Development Fund to assist Qualified
- 22 Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery
- 23 Licensees in gaining entry to, and successfully operating
- 24 in, the State's regulated cannabis marketplace;
- 25 (2) enter into agreements that set forth terms and

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conditions of the financial assistance, accept funds or grants, and engage in cooperation with private entities and agencies of State or local government to carry out the purposes of this Section;

- (3) fix, determine, charge, and collect any premiums, fees, charges, costs and expenses, including application fees, commitment fees, program fees, financing charges, or publication fees in connection with its activities under this Section;
- (4) coordinate assistance under the financial assistance these loan programs with activities of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Illinois Department of Agriculture, and other agencies as needed to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of this Act;
- (5) provide staff, administration, and related support required to administer this Section;
- (6) take whatever actions are necessary or appropriate to protect the State's interest in the event of bankruptcy, default, foreclosure, or noncompliance with the terms and conditions of financial assistance provided under this Section, including the ability to recapture funds if the recipient is found to be noncompliant with the terms and conditions of the financial assistance agreement;
 - (6.5) enter into financial intermediary agreements to

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- (7) establish application, notification, contract, and other forms, procedures, or rules deemed necessary and appropriate; and
- (8) utilize vendors or contract work to carry out the purposes of this Act.
- (c) Loans made under this Section:
- (1) shall only be made if, in the Department's judgment, the project furthers the goals set forth in this Act; and
- (2) shall be in such principal amount and form and contain such terms and provisions with respect to security, insurance, reporting, delinquency charges, default remedies, <u>forgiveness</u>, and other matters as the Department shall determine appropriate to protect the public interest and to be consistent with the purposes of this Section. The terms and provisions may be less than required for similar loans not covered by this Section; and.
- (3) may be distributed by lot if the Department determines that the amount of funding available is insufficient to provide an adequate amount of funding for

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all of the applicants eligible to receive a loan. The Department may determine the number of loans available based on the amount of funding available and communicate the number of loans available on the loan application. The Department may use competitive criteria to establish which applicants are eligible to receive a grant, loan, or financial assistance.

- (d) Grants made under this Section shall be awarded on a competitive and annual basis under the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Grants made under this Section shall further and promote the goals of this Act, including promotion Equity Applicants, of Social Qualified Social Equity Applicants, or Social Equity Lottery Licensees, job training and workforce development, and technical assistance to Social Equity Applicants and Social Equity Lottery Licensees. To the extent registration with the federal System for Award Management requires a grant applicant to certify compliance with all federal laws, the grant applicants under this Section shall not be required to register for a unique entity identifier through the federal System for Award Management to be qualified to receive a grant so long as federal law prohibits the cultivation and sale of cannabis.
- (d-5) Financial intermediary agreements to provide financial assistance must further the goals set forth in this Act and shall result in financing or lease costs that are affordable or below market rate.

- (e) Beginning January 1, 2021 and each year thereafter, 1
- the Department shall annually report to the Governor and the
- General Assembly on the outcomes and effectiveness of this 3
- 4 Section that shall include the following:
- 5 (1) the number of persons or businesses receiving financial assistance under this Section; 6
- (2) the amount in financial assistance awarded in the 7 8 aggregate, in addition to the amount of loans made that 9 are outstanding and the amount of grants awarded;
- 10 (3) the location of the project engaged in by the 11 person or business; and
- (4) if applicable, the number of new jobs and other 12 13 forms of economic output created as a result of the 14 financial assistance.
- 15 (f) The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity 16 shall include engagement with individuals with limited English proficiency as part of its outreach provided or targeted to 17 attract and support Social Equity Applicants. 18
- 19 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 2.0 (410 ILCS 705/7-20)
- Sec. 7-20. Fee waivers. 21
- 22 For Social Equity Applicants, the Department of 23 Financial and Professional Regulation and the Department of 24 Agriculture shall waive 50% of any nonrefundable license 25 application fees, any nonrefundable fees associated with

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1 purchasing a license to operate a cannabis business establishment, and any surety bond or other financial 2 requirements, provided a Social Equity Applicant meets the 3

following qualifications at the time the payment is due:

- (1) the applicant, including all individuals and entities with 10% or greater ownership and all parent companies, subsidiaries, and affiliates, has less than a total of \$750,000 of gross income in the previous calendar year; and
 - (2) the applicant, including all individuals and entities with 10% or greater ownership and all parent companies, subsidiaries, and affiliates, has no more than 2 other licenses for cannabis business establishments in the State of Illinois.
- The Department of Financial and Professional (b) Regulation and the Department of Agriculture may require Social Equity Applicants to attest that they meet the requirements for a fee waiver as provided in subsection (a) and to provide evidence of annual total income in the previous calendar year.
- If the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation or the Department of Agriculture determines that an applicant who applied as a Social Equity Applicant is not eligible for such status, the applicant shall be provided an additional 10 days to provide alternative evidence that he or she qualifies as a Social Equity Applicant. Alternatively, the

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- (d) The Department of Agriculture may provide hardship waivers for craft grower and infuser license and renewal fees due to the Department after July 1, 2025 pursuant to the provisions below:
 - (1) The craft grower or infuser organization attests that the craft grower or infuser organization or applicant for renewal, including all individuals and entities with 10% or greater ownership and all parent companies, subsidiaries, and affiliates, have no more than 2 other licenses for cannabis business establishments in the State.
 - (2) For craft grower and infuser organizations that have a total of \$50,000 or less of reported gross income for the prior fiscal year, the Department may waive the full license or renewal fee. The craft grower or infuser organization shall verify its income to the Department.
 - (3) For craft grower and infuser organizations that have a gross income of between \$50,001 and \$750,000, the Department may waive 50% of the full license or renewal fee. The craft grower or infuser organization shall verify its income to the Department.

(Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)

- (410 ILCS 705/10-10) 1
- Sec. 10-10. Possession limit.
- 3 (a) Except if otherwise authorized by this Act, for a
- person who is 21 years of age or older and a resident of this 4
- State, the possession limit is as follows: 5
- (1) 30 grams of cannabis flower; 6
- 7 (2) no more than 500 milligrams of THC contained in 8 cannabis-infused product;
- 9 (3) 5 grams of cannabis concentrate; and
- 10 (4) for registered qualifying patients, any cannabis 11 produced by cannabis plants grown under subsection (b) of 12 Section 10-5, provided any amount of cannabis produced in 13 excess of 30 grams of raw cannabis or its equivalent must 14 remain secured within the residence or residential 15 property in which it was grown.
- 16 (b) For a person who is 21 years of age or older and who is 17 not a resident of this State, the possession limit is:
- 18 (1) 15 grams of cannabis flower;
- 19 (2) 2.5 grams of cannabis concentrate; and
- 2.0 (3) 250 milligrams of THC contained in а 21 cannabis-infused product.
- (c) The possession limits found in subsections (a) and (b) 22 of this Section are to be considered cumulative. 23
- 2.4 (d) No person shall knowingly obtain, seek to obtain, or 25 possess an amount of cannabis from a dispensing organization

- 1 or craft grower that would cause him or her to exceed the
- possession limit under this Section, including cannabis that 2
- 3 is cultivated by a person under this Act or obtained as a
- 4 qualified registered medical patient, provisional patient,
- 5 designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program
- 6 participant.
- 7 (d-1) No qualified registered patient, provisional
- patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient 8
- 9 Program participant shall knowingly obtain, seek to obtain, or
- 10 possess, individually or collectively, an amount that would
- 11 cause the individual to exceed their adequate medical supply
- under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. 12
- 13 (e) Cannabis and cannabis-derived substances regulated
- 14 under the Industrial Hemp Act are not covered by this Act.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- (410 ILCS 705/10-15) 16
- 17 Sec. 10-15. Persons under 21 years of age.
- 18 (a) Nothing in this Act is intended to permit the transfer
- 19 of cannabis, with or without remuneration, to a person under
- 20 21 years of age, or to allow a person under 21 years of age to
- 21 purchase, possess, use, process, transport, grow, or consume
- 22 this Act, cannabis except where authorized by the
- 23 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act or by the
- 24 Community College Cannabis Vocational Pilot Program.
- 25 Notwithstanding any other provisions (b) of law

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- authorizing the possession of medical cannabis or cannabis-infused products by a qualified registered medical patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant, nothing in this Act authorizes a person who is under 21 years of age to possess cannabis. A person under 21 years of age with cannabis in his or her possession is guilty of a civil law violation as outlined in paragraph (a) of Section 4 of the Cannabis Control Act.
 - (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 his or her control, or any vehicle, conveyance, or watercraft under his or her control to be used by an invitee of the parent's child or the guardian's ward, if the invitee is under the age of 21, in a manner that constitutes a violation of this Section. A parent or guardian is deemed to have knowingly permitted his or her residence, any other private property under his or her control, or any vehicle, conveyance, or watercraft under his or her control to be used in violation of this Section if he or she knowingly authorizes or permits consumption of cannabis by underage invitees. Any person who

- 1 violates this subsection (d) is quilty of a Class A misdemeanor and the person's sentence shall include, but shall 2 3 not be limited to, a fine of not less than \$500. If a violation 4 of this subsection (d) directly or indirectly results in great 5 bodily harm or death to any person, the person violating this 6 subsection is quilty of a Class 4 felony. In this subsection (d), where the residence or other property has an owner and a 7 tenant or lessee, the trier of fact may infer that the 8 9 residence or other property is occupied only by the tenant or
- 11 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/15-10)

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- Sec. 15-10. Medical cannabis dispensing organization exemption. This Article does not apply to medical cannabis dispensing organizations registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act, except where otherwise specified. This Section is repealed on July 1, 2026.

 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 19 (410 ILCS 705/15-13 new)
- 20 <u>Sec. 15-13. Adult Use and medical cannabis dispensing</u>
 21 organization license merger; medical patient prioritization.
- 22 <u>(a) Beginning July 1, 2026, all medical cannabis</u>
 23 <u>dispensing organizations registered under the Compassionate</u>
 24 Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and that have received an

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1 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License shall be deemed to be an adult use dispensing organization licensed 2 pursuant to Section 15-36 of this Act. In addition to selling 3 4 cannabis and cannabis-infused products to persons 21 years of 5 age or older, beginning July 1, 2026, but no later than October 1, 2026, all dispensing organizations licensed pursuant to 6 Section 15-36 of this Act shall also offer services to 7 registered qualifying patients, provisional patients, 8 9 designated caregivers, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program 10 participants.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2026, all dispensing organization agents registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall be deemed to be a dispensing organization agent as that term is defined in this Act. All dispensing organization agents registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall have the same rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities of dispensing organization agents licensed under this Act. All dispensing organization agents shall be subject to this Act and any administrative rules adopted under this Act.

(c) On and after July 1, 2026, 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 1
- an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at a 2
- 3 secondary site's first renewal fee due under Section 15-45.
- 4 (d) By October 1, 2026, all dispensing organizations shall
- 5 pay a one-time fee of \$10,000 to be deposited into the
- Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Fund. After this 6
- one-time fee, all dispensing organizations shall renew 7
- pursuant to the provisions of Section 15-45. The Department 8
- 9 may approve payment plans that extend beyond October 1, 2026
- 10 for the fee paid under this subsection if the first payment
- 11 under the payment plan is remitted by October 1, 2026.
- 12 (e) All dispensing organizations must maintain an adequate
- 13 supply of cannabis and cannabis-infused products for purchase
- 14 by qualifying patients, designated caregivers, provisional
- 15 patients, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program participants.
- 16 For the purposes of this subsection, the Department may
- promulgate administrative rules establishing what constitutes 17
- an adequate supply and how dispensing organizations may cure 18
- 19 any adequate supply shortages.
- 20 (f) If there is a shortage of cannabis or cannabis-infused
- 2.1 products, a dispensing organization shall prioritize serving
- qualifying patients, designated caregivers, provisional 22
- 23 patients, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program participants
- 24 before serving purchasers.
- 25 (g) Beginning July 1, 2026, cannabis and cannabis-infused
- products purchased from a dispensing organization by a 26

- 1 qualified patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver,
- or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant are not 2
- 3 subject to tax under Section 65-10 of this Act.
- 4 (410 ILCS 705/15-15)
- 5 15-15. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 6 Organization License.
- 7 (a) Any medical cannabis dispensing organization holding a
- 8 valid registration under the Compassionate Use of Medical
- 9 Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act may,
- 10 within 60 days of the effective date of this Act, apply to the
- Department for an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing 11
- Organization License to serve purchasers at any medical 12
- 13 cannabis dispensing location in operation on the effective
- 14 date of this Act, pursuant to this Section.
- 15 (b) A medical cannabis dispensing organization seeking
- 16 of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- Organization License to serve purchasers at any medical 17
- cannabis dispensing location in operation as of the effective 18
- 19 date of this Act shall submit an application on forms provided
- 20 by the Department. The application must be submitted by the
- 21 same person or entity that holds the medical cannabis
- 22 dispensing organization registration and include the
- 23 following:
- 24 (1) Payment of a nonrefundable fee of \$30,000 to be
- 25 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;

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- (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
- (8) Identification of one of the following Social Equity Inclusion Plans to be completed 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,

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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 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 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

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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 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 approval under this by Department. An Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization's application to relocate its license under this

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- 1 subsection shall be deemed approved 30 days following the submission of a complete application to relocate, unless 2
- sooner approved or denied in writing by the Department. If an 3
- 4 application to relocate is denied, the Department shall
- 5 provide, in writing, the specific reason for denial.
- An Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization may 6 request to relocate under this subsection if: 7
 - (1) its existing location is within the boundaries of a unit of local government that prohibits the sale of adult use cannabis; or
 - (2)Early Approval Adult the 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 a separate facility from its associated medical cannabis dispensing organization dispensary licensed under 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 55-28 of this Act.
- 25 The license fee required by paragraph (1)subsection (b) of this Section shall be in addition to any 26

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- 1 license fee required for the renewal of a registered medical cannabis dispensing organization license. 2
- (d) Applicants must submit all required information, 3 4 including the requirements in subsection (b) of this Section, 5 to the Department. Failure by an applicant to submit all required information may result in the application being 6 7 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.
 - 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) The licensee or a principal officer is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois;
 - Secretary of Financial and Professional (2)Regulation determines there is reason, based on documented compliance violations, the licensee is not entitled to an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License;

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- 1 (3) Any principal officer fails to register and remain 2 in compliance with this Act or the Compassionate Use of 3 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 Patient 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 Patient Pilot Program participants before

serving purchasers.

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- (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

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

- 1 subsections (k) and (l) of this Section, the dispensing
- 2 organization shall cease serving purchasers and cease all
- 3 operations until it receives a renewal or an Adult Use
- 4 Dispensing Organization License, as the case may be.
- 5 (n) A dispensing organization agent who holds a valid
- 6 dispensing organization agent identification card issued under
- 7 the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and is
- 8 an officer, director, manager, or employee of the dispensing
- 9 organization licensed under this Section may engage in all
- 10 activities authorized by this Article to be performed by a
- 11 dispensing organization agent.
- 12 (o) If the Department suspends, permanently revokes, or
- otherwise disciplines the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 14 Organization License of a dispensing organization that also
- 15 holds a medical cannabis dispensing organization license
- issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program
- 17 Act, the Department may consider the suspension, permanent
- 18 revocation, or other discipline of the medical cannabis
- 19 dispensing organization license.
- 20 (p) All fees collected pursuant to this Section shall be
- 21 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund, unless otherwise
- 22 specified.
- 23 (q) On and after July 1, 2026, all dispensaries which were
- 24 previously issued an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- Organization License pursuant to this Section shall be deemed
- to be a dispensary pursuant to Section 15-36 of this Act.

- 1 (r) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 2
- 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.) 3
- 4 (410 ILCS 705/15-17 new)
- 5 Sec. 15-17. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- Organization License merger with Adult Use Dispensing 6
- 7 Organization License.
- (a) On and after July 1, 2026, all dispensing 8
- 9 organizations previously registered as an Early Approval Adult
- Use Dispensing Organization License shall be a dispensing 10
- organization or a dispensary under this Act and shall be an 11
- 12 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder under Section
- 13 15-36 of this Act.
- 14 (b) The BLS Region in which the dispensing organization
- licensee's Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization 15
- License was originally issued shall be considered the 16
- licensee's BLS Region. The dispensing organization shall 17
- remain in that BLS Region even if the license or licensee 18
- 19 changes its ownership, is sold, is relocated under Section
- 15-24 of this Act, or receives authorization under subsection 20
- 21 (e-5) of Section 15-25.
- 22 (410 ILCS 705/15-20)
- Sec. 15-20. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing 23
- 24 Organization License; secondary site.

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(a) Any medical cannabis dispensing organization holding a valid registration under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act as of the effective date of this Act may, within 60 days of the effective date of this Act, apply to the Department for an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing 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 dispensing organization. The Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization secondary site shall be within any BLS Region that shares territory with the dispensing organization district to which the medical cannabis dispensing organization is assigned under the administrative rules for dispensing organizations under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.

(a-5) If, within 360 days of the effective date of this Act, a dispensing organization is unable to find a location 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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- (c) A medical cannabis dispensing organization seeking issuance of an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site to serve purchasers at a secondary site as prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section shall submit an application on forms provided by the Department. The application must meet or include the following qualifications:
- 9 (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;
 - (4) the legal name of the medical cannabis dispensing organization;
 - (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

2	applicant shall submit general specifications of the
3	building exterior and interior layout;
4	(8) a statement that the dispensing organization
5	agrees to respond to the Department's supplemental
6	requests for information;
7	(9) for the building or land to be used as the proposed
8	dispensary:
9	(A) if the property is not owned by the applicant,
10	a written statement from the property owner and
11	landlord, if any, certifying consent that the
12	applicant may operate a dispensary on the premises; or
13	(B) if the property is owned by the applicant,
14	confirmation of ownership;
15	(10) a copy of the proposed operating bylaws;
16	(11) a copy of the proposed business plan that
17	complies with the requirements in this Act, including, at
18	a minimum, the following:
19	(A) a description of services to be offered; and
20	(B) a description of the process of dispensing
21	cannabis;
22	(12) a copy of the proposed security plan that
23	complies with the requirements in this Article, including:
24	(A) a description of the delivery process by which
25	cannabis will be received from a transporting
26	organization, including receipt of manifests and

protocols that will be used to avoid diversion, theft,

2	or loss at the dispensary acceptance point; and
3	(B) the process or controls that will be
4	implemented to monitor the dispensary, secure the
5	premises, agents, patients, and currency, and prevent
6	the diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis; and
7	(C) the process to ensure that access to the
8	restricted access areas is restricted to, registered
9	agents, service professionals, transporting
10	organization agents, Department inspectors, and
11	security personnel;
12	(13) a proposed inventory control plan that complies
13	with this Section;
14	(14) the name, address, social security number, and
15	date of birth of each principal officer and board member
16	of the dispensing organization; each of those individuals
17	shall be at least 21 years of age;
18	(15) a nonrefundable Cannabis Business Development Fee
19	equal to \$200,000, to be deposited into the Cannabis
20	Business Development Fund; and
21	(16) a commitment to completing one of the following
22	Social Equity Inclusion Plans in subsection (d).
23	(d) Before receiving an Early Approval Adult Use
24	Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site, a
25	dispensing organization shall indicate the Social Equity
26	Inclusion Plan that the applicant plans to achieve before the

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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 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" means providing direct financial assistance and training

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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 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

- 1 subsection (c) of this Section is in addition to any license
- 2 fee required for the renewal of a registered medical cannabis
- 3 dispensing organization license.
- 4 (f) Applicants must submit all required information,
- 5 including the requirements in subsection (c) of this Section,
- 6 to the Department. Failure by an applicant to submit all
- 7 required information may result in the application being
- 8 disqualified. Principal officers shall not be required to
- 9 submit to the fingerprint and background check requirements of
- 10 Section 5-20.
- 11 (g) If the Department receives an application that fails
- to provide the required elements contained in subsection (c),
- 13 the Department shall issue a deficiency notice to the
- 14 applicant. The applicant shall have 10 calendar days from the
- date of the deficiency notice to submit complete information.
- 16 Applications that are still incomplete after this opportunity
- to cure may be disqualified.
- 18 (h) Once all required information and documents have been
- 19 submitted, the Department will review the application. The
- 20 Department may request revisions and retains final approval
- 21 over dispensary features. Once the application is complete and
- 22 meets the Department's approval, the Department shall
- 23 conditionally approve the license. Final approval is
- 24 contingent on the build-out and Department inspection.
- 25 (i) Upon submission of the Early Approval Adult Use
- Dispensing Organization at a secondary site application, the

1 applicant shall request an inspection and the Department may

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- 2 inspect the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization's
- 3 secondary site to confirm compliance with the application and
- 4 this Act.
- 5 (j) The Department shall only issue an Early Approval
- 6 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site
- 7 after the completion of a successful inspection.
- 8 (k) If an applicant passes the inspection under this
- 9 Section, the Department shall issue the Early Approval Adult
- 10 Use Dispensing Organization License at a secondary site within
- 11 10 business days unless:
- 12 (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
- 15 delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying
- any amounts owed to the State of Illinois; or
- 17 (2) the The Secretary of Financial and Professional
- 18 Regulation determines there is reason, based on documented
- 19 compliance violations, the licensee is not entitled to an
- 20 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License
- 21 at its secondary site.
- 22 (1) Once the Department has issued a license, the
- 23 dispensing organization shall notify the Department of the
- 24 proposed opening date.
- 25 (m) A registered medical cannabis dispensing organization
- 26 that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing

sooner than January 1, 2020.

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- 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
- (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

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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

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- 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.
- 10 (s) If the Department suspends, permanently revokes, or 11 otherwise disciplines the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License of a dispensing organization that also 12 13 holds a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program 14 15 Act, the Department may consider the suspension, permanent 16 revocation, or other discipline as arounds to disciplinary action against the medical cannabis dispensing 17 18 organization.
 - (t) All fees collected pursuant to this Section shall be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund, unless otherwise specified.
 - (u) On and after July 1, 2026, all dispensaries that were previously issued an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site license pursuant to this Section shall be deemed to be a dispensary pursuant to Section 15-36 of this Act.

- (v) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2027. 1
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 2
- 3 revised 7-19-24.)
- 4 (410 ILCS 705/15-23 new)
- 5 Sec. 15-23. Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing
- 6 Organization at a secondary site license merger with Adult Use
- 7 Dispensing Organization license.
- 8 (a) On and after July 1, 2026, all dispensing
- 9 organizations previously registered as an Early Approval Adult
- 10 Use Dispensing Organization at a secondary site license shall
- 11 be a dispensing organization or a dispensary under this Act
- and shall be an Adult <u>Use Dispensing Organization License</u> 12
- 13 holder under Section 15-36 of this Act.
- 14 (b) The BLS Region in which the dispensing organization
- licensee's Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization at 15
- a secondary site license was originally issued shall be 16
- considered the licensee's BLS Region. The dispensing 17
- organization shall remain in that BLS Region even if the 18
- 19 license or licensee changes its ownership, is sold, is
- relocated under Section 15-24 of this Act, or receives 20
- 21 authorization under subsection (e-5) of Section 15-25.
- 22 (410 ILCS 705/15-24 new)
- 23 Sec. 15-24. Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licensee
- 24 relocation.

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(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 that same municipality, or if outside the boundaries of a municipality in an unincorporated area of the county, the zoning approval of a new location by the county where it currently operates in if the new location is within the same county, to move to a different location within that unit of local government; or
- (3) the Adult Use Dispensing Organization has obtained the approval, as evidenced by a letter of intent or full

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- 2 unit of local government, so long as the new unit of local
- government is within the dispensing organization's 3
- 4 specific BLS Region.
- 5 (b) The relocation of an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 6 Licensee under this Section shall be subject to Sections 55-25
- 7 and 55-28.
- 8 (410 ILCS 705/15-25)
- 9 Sec. 15-25. Awarding of Conditional Adult Use Dispensing
- 10 Organization Licenses prior to January 1, 2021.
- (a) The Department shall issue up to 75 Conditional Adult 11
- 12 Use Dispensing Organization Licenses before May 1, 2020.
- 13 The Department shall make the application for a
- 14 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License
- available no later than October 1, 2019 and shall accept 15
- applications no later than January 1, 2020. 16
- (c) To ensure the geographic dispersion of Conditional 17
- Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holders, the 18
- 19 following number of licenses shall be awarded in each BLS
- Region as determined by each region's percentage of the 2.0
- State's population: 21
- 22 (1) Bloomington: 1
- 23 (2) Cape Girardeau: 1
- 24 (3) Carbondale-Marion: 1
- 25 (4) Champaign-Urbana: 1

Τ	(5) Chicago-Naperville-Eigin: 4/
2	(6) Danville: 1
3	(7) Davenport-Moline-Rock Island: 1
4	(8) Decatur: 1
5	(9) Kankakee: 1
6	(10) Peoria: 3
7	(11) Rockford: 2
8	(12) St. Louis: 4
9	(13) Springfield: 1
10	(14) Northwest Illinois nonmetropolitan: 3
11	(15) West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 3
12	(16) East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 2
13	(17) South Illinois nonmetropolitan: 2
14	(d) An applicant seeking issuance of a Conditional Adult
15	Use Dispensing Organization License shall submit an
16	application on forms provided by the Department. An applicant
17	must meet the following requirements:
18	(1) Payment of a nonrefundable application fee of
19	\$5,000 for each license for which the applicant is
20	applying, which shall be deposited into the Cannabis
21	Regulation Fund;
22	(2) Certification that the applicant will comply with
23	the requirements contained in this Act;
24	(3) The legal name of the proposed dispensing
25	organization;
26	(4) A statement that the dispensing organization

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1 agrees to respond to the Department's supplementa
2 requests for information;
3 (5) From each principal officer, a statemen
4 indicating whether that person:
5 (A) has previously held or currently holds a
6 ownership interest in a cannabis busines
7 establishment in Illinois; or
8 (B) has held an ownership interest in a dispensing
9 organization or its equivalent in another state of
10 territory of the United States that had the dispensing
organization registration or license suspended
12 revoked, placed on probationary status, or subjects
13 to other disciplinary action;
14 (6) Disclosure of whether any principal officer ha
ever filed for bankruptcy or defaulted on spousal suppor
or child support obligation;
17 (7) A resume for each principal officer, including
whether that person has an academic degree, certification
or relevant experience with a cannabis busines
establishment or in a related industry;
21 (8) A description of the training and education tha

will be provided to dispensing organization agents;

(9) A copy of the proposed operating bylaws;

a minimum, the following:

(10) A copy of the proposed business plan that

complies with the requirements in this Act, including, at

(A) A description of services to be offered; and

2	(B) A description of the process of dispensing
3	cannabis;
4	(11) A copy of the proposed security plan that
5	complies with the requirements in this Article, including:
6	(A) The process or controls that will be
7	implemented to monitor the dispensary, secure the
8	premises, agents, and currency, and prevent the
9	diversion, theft, or loss of cannabis; and
10	(B) The process to ensure that access to the
11	restricted access areas is restricted to, registered
12	agents, service professionals, transporting
13	organization agents, Department inspectors, and
14	security personnel;
15	(12) A proposed inventory control plan that complies
16	with this Section;
17	(13) A proposed floor plan, a square footage estimate,
18	and a description of proposed security devices, including,
19	without limitation, cameras, motion detectors, servers,
20	video storage capabilities, and alarm service providers;
21	(14) The name, address, social security number, and
22	date of birth of each principal officer and board member
23	of the dispensing organization; each of those individuals
24	shall be at least 21 years of age;
25	(15) Evidence of the applicant's status as a Social
26	Equity Applicant, if applicable, and whether a Social

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- (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 store at the dispensary;
- (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

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1	community in which the applicant wishes to locate;
2	(24) The dated signature of each principal officer;
3	(25) A description of the enclosed, locked facility
4	where cannabis will be stored by the dispensing
5	organization;
6	(26) Signed statements from each dispensing
7	organization agent stating that he or she will not divert
8	cannabis;
9	(27) The number of licenses it is applying for in each
10	BLS Region;
11	(28) A diversity plan that includes a narrative of at
12	least 2,500 words that establishes a goal of diversity in
13	ownership, management, employment, and contracting to
14	ensure that diverse participants and groups are afforded
15	equality of opportunity;
16	(29) A contract with a private security contractor
17	agency that is licensed under Section 10-5 of the Private
18	Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint
19	Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004 in order for the
20	dispensary to have adequate security at its facility; and
21	(30) Other information deemed necessary by the
22	Illinois Cannabis Regulation Oversight Officer to conduct
23	the disparity and availability study referenced in
24	subsection (e) of Section 5-45.

(e) An applicant who receives a Conditional Adult Use

Dispensing Organization License under this Section has 180

1 days from the date of award to identify a physical location for 2 the dispensing organization retail storefront. The applicant shall provide evidence that the location is not within 1,500 3 feet of an existing dispensing organization, unless the 4 5 applicant is a Social Equity Applicant or Social Equity 6 Justice Involved Applicant located or seeking to locate within 1,500 feet of a dispensing organization licensed under Section 7 15-15 or Section 15-20. If an applicant is unable to find a 8 9 suitable physical address in the opinion of the Department 10 within 180 days of the issuance of the Conditional Adult Use 11 Dispensing Organization License, the Department may extend the period for finding a physical address an additional 540 days 12 13 if the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 14 holder demonstrates concrete attempts to secure a location and 15 a hardship. If the Department denies the extension or the 16 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License holder is unable to either find a location within 720 days of being 17 awarded a conditional license and become operational within 18 180 days thereafter, or become operational within 720 days of 19 20 being awarded a conditional license, the Department may, considering the totality of the circumstances, rescind the 21 conditional license. If the conditional license holder does 22 not become operational within 365 days after having found a 23 24 location, the Department may mandate a date by which the 25 conditional license holder shall become operational prior to the Department rescinding the conditional license. If the 26

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Department rescinds shall rescind the conditional license it may 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) 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 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

- 1 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License pursuant
- to the criteria in Section 15-30 shall not purchase, possess, 2
- 3 sell, or dispense cannabis or cannabis-infused products until
- 4 the person has received an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 5 License issued by the Department pursuant to Section 15-36 of
- this Act. 6
- 7 (g) The Department shall conduct a background check of the
- 8 prospective organization agents in order to carry out this
- 9 Article. The Illinois State Police shall charge the applicant
- 10 a fee for conducting the criminal history record check, which
- 11 shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and
- shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check. Each 12
- 13 person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall
- 14 submit a full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police
- 15 for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal
- 16 records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the
- fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed 17
- 18 by law, filed in the Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau
- of Identification criminal history records databases. 19
- 20 Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive
- identification, all Illinois conviction information to the 2.1
- 22 Department.
- (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 23
- 24 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.)

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- In addition to any of the licenses issued under Section 15-15, Section 15-20, Section 15-25, Section 15-30.20, or Section 15-35.10 of this Act, within 10 business days after the resulting final scores for all scored applications pursuant to Sections 15-25 and 15-30 are released, Department shall issue up to 55 Conditional Adult Dispensing Organization Licenses by lot, pursuant to the application process adopted under this Section. In order to be eligible to be awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License by lot under this Section, a Dispensary Applicant must be a Qualifying Applicant.
- The licenses issued under this Section shall be awarded in 14 15 each BLS Region in the following amounts:
- 16 (1) Bloomington: 1.
- (2) Cape Girardeau: 1. 17
- (3) Carbondale-Marion: 1. 18
- 19 (4) Champaign-Urbana: 1.
- 20 (5) Chicago-Naperville-Elgin: 36.
- 21 (6) Danville: 1.
- 22 (7) Davenport-Moline-Rock Island: 1.
- 23 (8) Decatur: 1.
- (9) Kankakee: 1. 24
- 2.5 (10) Peoria: 2.
- 26 (11) Rockford: 1.

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- (13) Springfield: 1. 2
- 3 (14) Northwest Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- (15) West Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1. 4
- 5 (16) East Central Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1.
- (17) South Illinois nonmetropolitan: 1. 6
 - (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 issued under this Section shall occur on the same day when 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

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1 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

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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 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

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- 1 holding a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License set forth in this Act; and (iii) has not otherwise 2 become ineligible to be awarded a Conditional Adult Use 3 4 Dispensing Organization License. If the new awardee is unable 5 to accept the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization 6 License, the Department may issue shall award the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 7 pursuant 8 subsection (b). The new awardee shall be subject to the same 9 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 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

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1 prospective dispensing organization agents in order to carry 2 out this Article. The Illinois State Police shall charge the applicant a fee for conducting the criminal history record 3 4 check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services 5 Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check. 6 Each person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police 7 for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal 8 9 records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the 10 fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed 11 by law, filed with the Illinois State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases. 12 13 The Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive identification, all Illinois conviction information to the 14 15 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:
- 23 (1) An applicant who is unqualified to perform the 24 duties required of the applicant.
 - (2) An applicant who fails to disclose or states falsely any information called for in the application.

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- (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 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

- 1 this Article before issuing a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section. 2
- (k) If an applicant is awarded a Conditional Adult Use 3 4 Dispensing Organization License under this Section, 5 information and plans provided in the application, including 6 any plans submitted for bonus points, shall become a condition of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License 7 and any Adult Use Dispensing Organization License issued to 8 9 the holder of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 10 Organization License, except as otherwise provided by this Act 11 or by rule. A dispensing organization has a duty to disclose any material changes to the application. The Department shall 12 13 review all material changes disclosed by the dispensing organization and may reevaluate its prior decision regarding 14 15 awarding of а Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 16 Organization License, including, but not limited suspending or permanently revoking a Conditional Adult Use 17 Dispensing Organization License. Failure to comply with the 18 conditions or requirements in the application may subject the 19 20 dispensing organization to discipline up to and including suspension or permanent revocation of its authorization or 2.1 22 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License by the 23 Department.
- applicant has not begun operating Ιf an dispensing organization within one year after the issuance of 26 the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License

- 1 under this Section, the Department may permanently revoke the
- Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License and 2
- 3 award it to the next highest scoring applicant in the BLS
- 4 Region if a suitable applicant indicates a continued interest
- 5 in the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License
- or may begin a new selection process to award a Conditional 6
- Adult Use Dispensing Organization License. 7
- (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.) 8
- 9 (410 ILCS 705/15-35.10)
- 10 Sec. 15-35.10. Social Equity Justice Involved Lottery for
- Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses. 11
- 12 In addition to any of the licenses issued under
- Section 15-15, Section 15-20, Section 15-25, Section 15-30.20, 13
- 14 or Section 15-35, within 10 business days after the resulting
- 15 final scores for all scored applications pursuant to Sections
- 15-25 and 15-30 are released, the Department shall issue up to 16
- 17 55 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses by
- lot, pursuant to the application process adopted under this 18
- 19 Section. In order to be eligible to be awarded a Conditional
- 20 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License by lot, a Dispensary
- 21 Applicant must be a Qualifying Social Equity Justice Involved
- 22 Applicant.
- 23 The licenses issued under this Section shall be awarded in
- 24 each BLS Region in the following amounts:
- 25 (1) Bloomington: 1.

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              (6) Danville: 1.
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              (10) Peoria: 2.
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              (11) Rockford: 1.
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1 established under this Section shall occur on the same day 2 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 than 2 Conditional more Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses awarded under this Section.
- (7) If, upon being selected for an available license established under this Section, a Qualifying Social Equity

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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 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, or any combination 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

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(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. 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 Department within 180 days from the issuance 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 a concrete attempt to secure a location and a hardship. If the Department denies the extension or the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing

1 Organization License holder is unable to either find a 2 location within 720 days of being awarded a conditional license and become operational within 180 days thereafter, or 3 4 become operational within 720 days of being awarded a 5 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, the 6 Department may, considering the totality of the circumstances, rescind the conditional license. If the conditional license 7 holder does not become operational within 365 days after 8 9 having found a location, the Department may mandate a date by 10 which the conditional license holder shall become operational 11 prior to the Department rescinding the conditional license. If under this Section, the Department rescinds shall rescind the 12 13 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License it may 14 issue and award it pursuant to subsection (b) and notify the 15 new awardee at the email address provided in the awardee's 16 application, provided the applicant receiving the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License: (i) confirms a 17 continued interest in operating a dispensing organization; 18 (ii) can provide evidence that the applicant continues to meet 19 20 requirements for holding a Conditional Adult Dispensing Organization License set forth in this Act; and 21 22 (iii) has not otherwise become ineligible to be awarded a 23 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License. If the 24 new awardee is unable to accept the Conditional Adult Use 25 Dispensing Organization License, the Department may issue 26 shall award the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization

- 1 License pursuant to subsection (b). The new awardee shall be
- 2 subject to the same required deadlines as provided in this
- 3 subsection.
- 4 (d) If, within 720 180 days of being awarded a Conditional
- 5 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, a dispensing
- 6 organization is unable to find a location within the BLS
- 7 Region in which it was awarded a Conditional Adult Use
- 8 Dispensing Organization License under this Section because no
- 9 jurisdiction within the BLS Region allows for the operation of
- 10 an Adult Use Dispensing Organization, the Department may
- 11 authorize the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 12 License holder to transfer its Conditional Adult Use
- 13 Dispensing Organization License to a BLS Region specified by
- 14 the Department.
- 15 (e) A dispensing organization that is awarded a
- 16 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under
- 17 this Section shall not purchase, possess, sell, or dispense
- 18 cannabis or cannabis-infused products until the dispensing
- 19 organization has received an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 20 License issued by the Department pursuant to Section 15-36.
- 21 (f) The Department shall conduct a background check of the
- 22 prospective dispensing organization agents in order to carry
- out this Article. The Illinois State Police shall charge the
- 24 applicant a fee for conducting the criminal history record
- 25 check, which shall be deposited into the State Police Services
- 26 Fund and shall not exceed the actual cost of the record check.

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- 1 Each person applying as a dispensing organization agent shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the Illinois State Police 2 for the purpose of obtaining a State and federal criminal 3 4 records check. These fingerprints shall be checked against the 5 fingerprint records now and hereafter, to the extent allowed by law, filed with the Illinois State Police and the Federal 6 Bureau of Investigation criminal history records databases. 7
- The Illinois State Police shall furnish, following positive 8 9 identification, all Illinois conviction information to the 10 Department. 11
 - (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:
 - (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

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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 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.
- (k) If an applicant is awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section, the information and plans provided in the application, including

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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 Use Dispensing Organization License, except as otherwise provided by this Act or by rule. Dispensing organizations have 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 awarding of а Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, including, but not limited to, 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.

(1) If an applicant has not begun operating as a dispensing organization within one year after the issuance of the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License under this Section, the Department may permanently revoke the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License and award it to the next highest scoring applicant in the BLS Region if a suitable applicant indicates a continued interest in the Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License

- 1 or may begin a new selection process to award a Conditional
- Adult Use Dispensing Organization License. 2
- (Source: P.A. 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 103-8, eff. 6-7-23.) 3
- 4 (410 ILCS 705/15-36)
- 5 Sec. 15-36. Adult Use Dispensing Organization License.
- (a) A person is only eligible to receive or hold an Adult 6
- Use Dispensing Organization License if the person has been 7
- 8 issued awarded a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 9 License pursuant to this Act or its administrative rules, was
- 10 issued an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- License, an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization 11
- License at a Secondary Site, or was a registered medical 12
- 13 dispensing organization as defined under the Compassionate Use
- 14 of Medical Cannabis Act or has renewed its license pursuant to
- 15 subsection (k) of Section 15 15 or subsection (p) of Section
- 16 15 20.
- (a-5) Beginning July 1, 2026, all dispensing organizations 17
- 18 registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis
- 19 Program Act and Sections 15-15 and 15-20 of this Act shall be a
- dispensing organization or a dispensary as those terms are 20
- 21 defined in this Act and shall be an Adult Use Dispensing
- Organization License holder under this Section. Beginning July 22
- 1, 2026, all dispensing organizations registered under the 23
- 24 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and Sections
- 15-15 and 15-20 of this Act shall have the same rights, 25

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- (a-10) In addition to selling cannabis and cannabis-infused products to persons 21 years of age or older, beginning July 1, 2026, but no later than October 1, 2026, all dispensing organizations licensed pursuant to this Act shall also offer cannabis and cannabis-infused products for sale to registered qualifying patients, provisional patients, designated caregivers, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program participants.
- (a-15) By October 1, 2026, 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.
- (b) The Department shall not issue an Adult Use Dispensing 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;

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\$60,000 (or the proportional prorated amount paid) of	the
fee shall be remitted into the Cannabis Regulation Fur	nd,
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 registered medical cannabis dispensing organization;

shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, in a dispensing organization that would result in such person or entity owning or participating in the management of more than 10 Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses at a secondary

- 1 site, Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses,
- or Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses. For the purpose
- 3 of this subsection, participating in management may include,
- 4 without limitation, controlling decisions regarding staffing,
- 5 pricing, purchasing, marketing, store design, hiring, and
- 6 website design.
- 7 (d) The Department shall deny an application if granting
- 8 that application would result in a person or entity obtaining
- 9 direct or indirect financial interest in more than 10 Early
- 10 Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses,
- 11 Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, Adult
- 12 Use Dispensing Organization Licenses, or any combination
- thereof. If a person or entity is awarded a Conditional Adult
- 14 Use Dispensing Organization License that would cause the
- 15 person or entity to be in violation of this subsection, he,
- she, or it shall choose which license application it wants to
- 17 abandon and such licenses shall become available to the next
- 18 qualified applicant in the region in which the abandoned
- 19 license was awarded.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 21 revised 7-19-24.)
- 22 (410 ILCS 705/15-40)
- Sec. 15-40. Dispensing organization agent identification
- 24 card; agent training.
- 25 (a) The Department shall:

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- (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.
- (b) A dispensing organization agent must keep his or her identification card visible at all times when in the dispensary.
- 23 (c) The dispensing organization agent identification cards 24 shall contain the following:
- 25 (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 26 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the

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- dispensing organization agent identification cards;
- 2 (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification 3 number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 4 letters that is unique to the cardholder; 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.
 - (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

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shall include:

1	organization as defined in Section 10 of the Compassionate
2	Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall attend and
3	successfully complete a Responsible Vendor Program.
4	(2) Each owner, manager, employee, and agent of an
5	adult use dispensing organization or medical cannabis
6	dispensing organization shall successfully complete the
7	program annually.
8	(3) Responsible Vendor Program Training modules shall
9	include at least 2 hours of instruction time approved by
10	the Department including:
11	(i) Health and safety concerns of cannabis use,
12	including the responsible use of cannabis, its
13	physical effects, onset of physiological effects,
14	recognizing signs of impairment, and appropriate
15	responses in the event of overconsumption.
16	(ii) Training on laws and regulations on driving
17	while under the influence and operating a watercraft
18	or snowmobile while under the influence.
19	(iii) Sales to minors prohibition. Training shall
20	cover all relevant Illinois laws and rules.
21	(iv) Quantity limitations on sales to purchasers.
22	Training shall cover all relevant Illinois laws and
23	rules.

(I) How to check identification; and

(v) Acceptable forms of identification. Training

1	(II) Common mistakes made in verification;
2	(vi) Safe storage of cannabis;
3	(vii) Compliance with all inventory tracking
4	system regulations;
5	(viii) Waste handling, management, and disposal;
6	(ix) Health and safety standards;
7	(x) Maintenance of records;
8	(xi) Security and surveillance requirements;
9	(xii) Permitting inspections by State and local
10	licensing and enforcement authorities;
11	(xiii) Privacy issues, including, but not limited
12	to, the safe storage and handling of confidential
13	information such as qualifying patient information;
14	(xiv) Packaging and labeling requirement for sales
15	to purchasers; and
16	(xv) Prioritizing the needs of a qualifying
17	patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or
18	Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant; and
19	(xvi) Other areas as determined by rule.
20	(j) Blank.
21	(k) Upon the successful completion of the Responsible
22	Vendor Program, the provider shall deliver proof of completion
23	either through mail or electronic communication to the
24	dispensing organization, which shall retain a copy of the
25	certificate.
26	(1) The license of a dispensing organization or medical

- 1 cannabis dispensing organization whose owners, managers,
- 2 employees, or agents fail to comply with this Section may be
- 3 suspended or permanently revoked under Section 15-145 or may
- 4 face other disciplinary action.
- 5 (m) The regulation of dispensing organization and medical
- 6 cannabis dispensing employer and employee training is an
- exclusive function of the State, and regulation by a unit of 7
- local government, including a home rule unit, is prohibited. 8
- 9 This subsection (m) is a denial and limitation of home rule
- 10 powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of
- 11 Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.
- Persons seeking Department approval to offer the 12
- 13 training required by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) may apply
- for such approval between August 1 and August 15 of each 14
- 15 odd-numbered year in a manner prescribed by the Department.
- 16 (o) Persons seeking Department approval to offer the
- training required by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) shall 17
- submit a nonrefundable application fee of \$2,000 to be 18
- deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund or a fee as may be 19
- 20 set by rule. Any changes made to the training module shall be
- 2.1 approved by the Department.
- 22 (p) The Department shall not unreasonably deny approval of
- 23 a training module that meets all the requirements of paragraph
- 24 (3) of subsection (i). A denial of approval shall include a
- 25 detailed description of the reasons for the denial.
- 26 (q) Any person approved to provide the training required

- 1 by paragraph (3) of subsection (i) shall submit an application
- 2 for re-approval between August 1 and August 15 of each
- odd-numbered year and include a nonrefundable application fee 3
- 4 of \$2,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund or
- 5 a fee as may be set by rule.
- 6 (r) All persons applying to become or renewing their
- registrations to be agents, including agents-in-charge and 7
- principal officers, shall disclose any disciplinary action 8
- 9 taken against them that may have occurred in Illinois, another
- 10 state, or another country in relation to their employment at a
- 11 cannabis business establishment or at any cannabis cultivation
- center, processor, infuser, dispensary, or other cannabis 12
- 13 business establishment.
- 14 (s) An agent applicant may begin employment
- 15 dispensing organization while the agent applicant's
- 16 identification card application is pending. Upon approval, the
- Department shall issue the agent's identification card to the 17
- 18 agent. If denied, the dispensing organization and the agent
- applicant shall be notified and the agent applicant must cease 19
- 20 all activity at the dispensing organization immediately.
- 2.1 (t) The Department and the Department of Agriculture may
- 22 develop and implement an integrated system to issue an agent
- identification card which identifies a dispensary agent 23
- 24 licensed by the Department as well as any cultivator, craft
- 25 grower, transporter, community college program or infuser
- 26 license or registration the agent may simultaneously hold.

- (u) Beginning July 1, 2026, all dispensing organization 1
- agents registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical 2
- Cannabis Program Act shall, subject to the agent being in good 3
- 4 standing with all licensing requirements, be deemed to be an
- 5 agent under this Act. The Department shall issue all agents
- previously registered as an agent under the Compassionate Use 6
- of Medical Cannabis Program Act a new license number at the 7
- time of their first renewal on or after July 1, 2026. 8
- 9 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 10 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 5-13-22.) 11
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/15-45)
- Sec. 15-45. Renewal. 13
- 14 (a) Adult Use Dispensing Organization Licenses shall
- 15 expire on March 31 of even-numbered years.
- (b) Agent identification cards shall expire one year from 16
- 17 the date they are issued.
- (c) Licensees and dispensing agents shall submit a renewal 18
- 19 application as provided by the Department and pay the required
- 20 renewal fee. The Department shall require an agent, employee,
- 21 contracting, and subcontracting diversity report and an
- 22 environmental impact report with its renewal application. No
- 23 license or agent identification card shall be renewed if it is
- 24 currently under revocation or suspension for violation of this
- 25 Article or any rules that may be adopted under this Article or

- 1 the licensee, principal officer, board member, person having a
- financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the licensee, 2
- 3 or agent is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or
- 4 paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois.
 - (d) Renewal fees are:
- (1) For a dispensing organization, \$60,000, to be 6
- deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund; and \$10,000 7
- to be deposited into Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 8
- 9 Fund.

- 10 (2) For an agent identification card, \$100, to be
- 11 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund.
- If a dispensing organization fails to renew its 12
- license before expiration, the dispensing organization shall 13
- 14 cease operations until the license is renewed.
- 15 (f) If a dispensing organization agent fails to renew his
- 16 or her registration before its expiration, he or she shall
- cease to perform duties authorized by this Article at a 17
- 18 dispensing organization until his or her registration is
- 19 renewed.
- 20 (g) Any dispensing organization that continues to operate
- 2.1 dispensing agent that continues to perform duties
- authorized by this Article at a dispensing organization that 22
- 23 fails to renew its license is subject to penalty as provided in
- 24 this Article, or any rules that may be adopted pursuant to this
- 25 Article.
- 26 (h) The Department shall not renew a license if the

- 1 applicant is delinquent in filing any required tax returns or
- paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois. 2
- 3 Department shall not renew a dispensing agent identification
- 4 card if the applicant is delinquent in filing any required tax
- 5 returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.) 6
- 7 (410 ILCS 705/15-65)
- 8 Sec. 15-65. Administration.
- 9 (a) A dispensing organization shall establish, maintain,
- 10 and comply with written policies and procedures as submitted
- in the Business, Financial and Operating plan as required in 11
- 12 this Article or by rules established by the Department, and
- 13 approved by the Department, for the security, storage,
- 14 inventory, and distribution of cannabis. These policies and
- 15 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
- 19 procedures provide for the following:
- (1) Mandatory and voluntary recalls of cannabis 20
- 21 products. The policies shall be adequate to deal with
- 22 recalls due to any action initiated at the request of the
- 23 Department and any voluntary action by the dispensing
- 24 organization to remove defective or potentially defective
- 25 cannabis from the market or any action undertaken to

promote public health and safety, including:

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

1	(ii) Disposal of unusable or damaged cannabis as
2	required by this Act and rules; and
3	(8) Purchaser education and support, including:
4	(i) Whether possession of cannabis is illegal
5	under federal law;
6	(ii) Current educational information issued by the
7	Department of Public Health about the health risks
8	associated with the use or abuse of cannabis;
9	(iii) Information about possible side effects;
10	(iv) Prohibition on smoking cannabis in public
11	places; and
12	(v) Offering any other appropriate purchaser
13	education or support materials.
14	(b) Blank.
15	(c) A dispensing organization shall maintain copies of the
16	policies and procedures on the dispensary premises and provide
17	copies to the Department upon request. The dispensing
18	organization shall review the dispensing organization policies
19	and procedures at least once every 12 months from the issue
20	date of the license and update as needed due to changes in
21	industry standards or as requested by the Department.
22	(d) A dispensing organization shall ensure that each
23	principal officer and each dispensing organization agent has a
24	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

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- 1 notice to the Department, including the date of the event,
- when a dispensing organization agent no longer is employed by
- 3 the dispensing organization.
- 4 (f) A dispensing organization shall promptly document and
- 5 report any loss or theft of cannabis from the dispensary to the
- 6 Illinois State Police and the Department. It is the duty of any
- dispensing organization agent who becomes aware of the loss or
- 8 theft to report it as provided in this Article.
- 9 (g) A dispensing organization shall post the following
- 10 information in a conspicuous location in an area of the
- 11 dispensary accessible to consumers:
- 12 (1) The dispensing organization's license;
- 13 (2) The hours of operation.
- 14 (h) Signage that shall be posted inside the premises.
- 15 (1) All dispensing organizations must display a
- 16 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
- 19 breastfeeding women.".
- 20 (2) Any dispensing organization that sells edible
- 21 cannabis-infused products must display a placard that
- 22 states the following:
- 23 (A) "Edible cannabis-infused products were
- 24 produced in a kitchen that may also process common
- food allergens."; and
- 26 (B) "The effects of cannabis products can vary

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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.
- A dispensing organization shall prominently post inside the dispensing organization that state notices 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 а minor qualifying patient under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act;
- (2) distribution to persons under the age of 21 is prohibited;
 - (3) transportation of cannabis or cannabis products across state lines is prohibited.

- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 1
- 2 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 705/15-70)
- 4 Sec. 15-70. Operational requirements; prohibitions.
- (a) A dispensing organization shall operate in accordance 5 with the representations made in its application and license 6
- 7 materials. It shall be in compliance with this Act and rules.
- 8 (b) Beginning July 1, 2026, but no later than October 1,
- 9 2026, all dispensaries shall have a patient prioritization
- 10 plan demonstrating that the dispensary is prioritizing
- qualifying patients, provisional patients, designated 11
- caregivers, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program 12
- participants. Prioritization may include, but is not limited 13
- 14 to, the following: a dedicated service line for patients or
- caregivers; a dedicated time of the day for patients or 15
- caregivers, so long as the dispensary remains open at all 16
- other hours of operation to serve patients and caregivers; and 17
- 18 a dedicated register for patients or caregivers A dispensing
- 19 organization must include the legal name of the dispensary on
- 20 the packaging of any cannabis product it sells.
- 21 (c) All cannabis, cannabis-infused products, and cannabis
- seeds must be obtained from an Illinois registered adult use 22
- 23 cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, or another
- 24 dispensary.
- (c-5) A dispensing organization may sell cannabis and 25

- 1 cannabis-infused products purchased from any cultivation
- center, craft grower, infuser, or other dispensary to persons 2
- over 21 years of age and to qualifying patients, designated 3
- caregivers, provisional patients, and Opioid Alternative 4
- 5 Patient Program participants.
- (d) Dispensing organizations are prohibited from selling 6

any product containing alcohol except tinctures, which must be

- 8 limited to containers that are no larger than 100 milliliters.
- 9 (e) A dispensing organization shall inspect and count
- 10 product received from a transporting organization, adult use
- 11 cultivation center, craft grower, infuser organization, or
- other dispensing organization before dispensing it. 12
- 13 (f) A dispensing organization may only accept cannabis
- deliveries into a restricted access area. Deliveries may not 14
- 15 be accepted through the public or limited access areas unless
- 16 otherwise approved by the Department.
- (q) A dispensing organization shall maintain compliance 17
- with State and local building, fire, and zoning requirements 18
- 19 or regulations.

- 20 (h) A dispensing organization shall submit a list to the
- Department of the names of all service professionals that will 2.1
- 22 work at the dispensary. The list shall include a description
- of the type of business or service provided. Changes to the 23
- 24 service professional list shall be promptly provided. No
- 25 service professional shall work in the dispensary until the
- 26 name is provided to the Department on the service professional

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- 2 (i) A dispensing organization's license allows for a dispensary to be operated only at a single location.
- 4 (j) All dispensaries' hours of operation may be A
 5 dispensary may operate between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. local time.
- 6 (k) A dispensing organization must keep all lighting
 7 outside and inside the dispensary in good working order and
 8 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.
- 21 (o) The dispensary shall be free from infestation by 22 insects, rodents, or pests.
- 23 (p) A dispensing organization shall not:
- 24 (1) Produce or manufacture cannabis;
- 25 (2) Accept a cannabis product from <u>a</u> an adult use 26 cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, dispensing

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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;

- (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, 2026, the person is verified to be a qualifying patient, provisional patient, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant 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 use 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

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- 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 craft cultivation center, 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, transporters with whom it is dealing;
 - (7) (Blank); Operate drive-through windows;
 - (8) Allow for the dispensing of cannabis cannabis-infused products in vending machines;
 - (9) Transport cannabis to residences or transport cannabis to other locations where purchasers may be for delivery, except for the limited circumstances provided in paragraph (5.5) of subsection (c) of Section 15-100;
 - (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

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- (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, 2026, fail to prioritize qualifying patients, provisional patients, designated caregivers, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program participants; or

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- 1 (20) Violate any other requirements or prohibitions 2 set by Department rules.
 - (q) It is unlawful for any person having an Early Approval Adult Use Cannabis 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 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 \underline{a} and adult use cultivation center, craft grower, infuser, or transporting organization.
 - (r) It is unlawful for any person having an Early Approval Adult Use Cannabis 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

- 1 into any contract with any person licensed to cultivate,
- process, or transport cannabis whereby such dispensing 2
- organization agrees not to sell any cannabis cultivated, 3
- 4 processed, transported, manufactured, or distributed by any
- 5 other cultivator, transporter, or infuser, and any provision
- in any contract violative of this Section shall render the 6
- whole of such contract void and no action shall be brought 7
- 8 thereon in any court.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 10 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; revised 7-23-24.)
- (410 ILCS 705/15-75) 11
- 12 Sec. 15-75. Inventory control system.
- 13 (a) A dispensing organization agent-in-charge shall have
- 14 primary oversight of the dispensing organization's cannabis
- 15 inventory verification system, and its point-of-sale system.
- The inventory point-of-sale system shall be real-time, 16
- 17 web-based, and accessible by the Department at any time. The
- point-of-sale system shall track, at a minimum the date of 18
- 19 sale, amount, price, and currency.
- (b) A dispensing organization shall establish an account 2.0
- 21 with the State's verification system that documents:
- (1) Each sales transaction at the time of sale and 22
- 23 each day's beginning inventory, acquisitions, sales,
- 24 disposal, and ending inventory.
- 25 (2) Acquisition of cannabis and cannabis-infused

1	products from a licensed adult use cultivation center,
2	craft grower, infuser, or transporter, including:
3	(i) A description of the products, including the
4	quantity, strain, variety, and batch number of each
5	<pre>product received;</pre>
6	(ii) The name and registry identification number
7	of the licensed adult use cultivation center, craft
8	grower, or infuser providing the cannabis and
9	cannabis-infused products;
10	(iii) The name and registry identification number
11	of the licensed adult use cultivation center, craft
12	grower, infuser, or transporting agent delivering the
13	cannabis;
14	(iv) The name and registry identification number
15	of the dispensing organization agent receiving the
16	cannabis; and
17	(v) The date of acquisition.
18	(3) The disposal of cannabis, including:
19	(i) A description of the products, including the
20	quantity, strain, variety, batch number, and reason
21	for the cannabis being disposed;
22	(ii) The method of disposal; and
23	(iii) The date and time of disposal.
24	(c) Upon cannabis delivery, a dispensing organization
25	shall confirm the product's name, strain name, weight, and

identification number on the manifest matches the information

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- 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 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 and immediately upon discovery take and document 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

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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 to theft, criminal discovery of the reduction due 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 any other information the Department 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

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- 1 required to be audited unless specifically requested by 2 the Department.
 - (e) A dispensing organization shall:
 - Maintain the documentation required in Section in a secure locked location at the dispensing organization for 5 years from the date on the document;
 - Provide any documentation required maintained in this Section to the Department for review upon request; and
 - (3) If maintaining a bank account, retain for a period of 5 years a record of each deposit or withdrawal from the account.
 - (f) If a dispensing organization chooses to have a return policy for cannabis and cannabis products, the dispensing organization shall seek prior approval from the Department.
- (g) Beginning July 1, 2026, all dispensing organizations 16 shall maintain internal, confidential records that record a 17 registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, designated 18 19 caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant's 20 transactions for the patient's adequate medical supply and whether it was dispensed directly to the patient or to the 2.1 22 designated caregiver. Each entry must include the amount and the date and time the cannabis was dispensed. Additional 23 24 recordkeeping requirements may be set by rule.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.) 26

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- Sec. 15-85. Dispensing cannabis. 2
- 3 (a) Before a dispensing organization agent dispenses 4 cannabis to a purchaser, the agent shall:
 - (1) Verify the age of the purchaser by checking a government-issued identification card by use of electronic reader or electronic scanning device to scan a purchaser's government-issued identification, applicable, to determine the purchaser's age and the validity of the identification;
 - (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, 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, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant's registration card, if purchasing as a patient or caregiver;
 - (4) Enter the following information into the State's cannabis electronic verification system:
- 25 (i) The dispensing organization agent's

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1	identification number, or if the agent's card
2	application is pending the Department's approval, a
3	temporary and unique identifier until the agent's card
4	application is approved or denied by the Department;
5	(ii) The dispensing organization's identification
6	number;
7	(iii) The amount, type (including strain, if
8	applicable) of cannabis or cannabis-infused product
9	dispensed;
10	(iv) The date and time the cannabis was dispensed.
11	(b) A dispensing organization shall refuse to sell
12	cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any person unless the
13	person produces a valid identification showing that the person
14	is 21 years of age or older or a qualifying patient,
15	provisional patient, designated caregivers, or Opioid
16	Alternative Patient Program participants registered under the
17	Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. A medical
18	cannabis dispensing organization may sell cannabis or
19	cannabis infused products to a person who is under 21 years of
20	age if the sale complies with the provisions of the
21	Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and rules.
22	(c) For the purposes of this Section, valid identification
23	must:
24	(1) Be valid and unexpired;
25	(2) Contain a photograph and the date of birth of the

- 1 (d) A dispensing organization shall not dispense to a
- registered qualifying patient, provisional patient, or a 2
- designated caregiver, an amount exceeding the patient's 3
- 4 adequate medical supply unless the qualifying patient has a
- 5 Department of Public Health-approved quantity waiver.
- 6 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
- dispensing organization may offer pickup or drive-through 7
- locations for cannabis or cannabis-infused products to 8
- purchasers over 21 years of age, qualifying patients, 9
- 10 provisional patients, and designated caregivers in accordance
- 11 with Section 15-100 of this Act.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 12
- 13 102-98, eff. 7-15-21.)
- 14 (410 ILCS 705/15-100)
- 15 Sec. 15-100. Security.
- (a) A dispensing organization shall implement security 16
- 17 measures to deter and prevent entry into and theft of cannabis
- 18 or currency.
- 19 (b) A dispensing organization shall submit any changes to
- the floor plan or security plan to the Department for 20
- pre-approval. All cannabis shall be maintained and stored in a 21
- 22 restricted access area during construction.
- 23 (c) The dispensing organization shall implement security
- 24 measures to protect the premises, purchasers, and dispensing
- 25 organization agents including, but not limited to the

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- (1) Establish a locked door or barrier between the facility's entrance and the limited access area;
 - (2) Prevent individuals from remaining on the premises if they are not engaging in activity permitted by this Act or rules;
 - (3) Develop a policy that addresses the maximum 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, designated caregiver, or Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant is in compliance with Section

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1	15-85 of this Act. As used in this paragraph, "pickup
2	location in close proximity" means an area contiguous to
3	the real property of the dispensary, such as a sidewalk or
4	parking lot;
5	(6) When the dispensary is closed, store all cannabis
6	and currency in a reinforced vault room in the restricted
7	access area and in a manner as to prevent diversion,
8	theft, or loss;
9	(7) Keep the reinforced vault room and any other
10	equipment or cannabis storage areas securely locked and
11	protected from unauthorized entry;
12	(8) Keep an electronic daily log of dispensing
13	organization agents with access to the reinforced vault
14	room and knowledge of the access code or combination;
15	(9) Keep all locks and security equipment in good
16	working order;
17	(10) Maintain an operational security and alarm system
18	at all times;
19	(11) Prohibit keys, if applicable, from being left in
20	the locks, or stored or placed in a location accessible to
21	persons other than specifically authorized personnel;
22	(12) Prohibit accessibility of security measures,
23	including combination numbers, passwords, or electronic or
24	biometric security systems to persons other than

specifically authorized dispensing organization agents;

(13) Ensure that the dispensary interior and exterior

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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
- (16) Develop sufficient additional safeguards in response to any special security concerns, or as required 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, Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant, 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 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 1
- each licensee stores currency and cannabis or cannabis-infused 2
- products in a separate secured vault to which the other 3
- 4 licensee does not have access or all licensees sharing a vault
- 5 share more than 50% of the same ownership.
- (f) A dispensing organization shall provide additional 6
- 7 security as needed and in a manner appropriate for the
- 8 community where it operates.

- (g) Restricted access areas.
- 10 (1) All restricted access areas must be identified by
- the posting of a sign that is a minimum of 12 inches by 12 11
- inches and that states "Do Not Enter Restricted Access 12
- Area Authorized Personnel Only" in lettering no smaller 13
- 14 than one inch in height.
- 15 (2) All restricted access areas shall be clearly
- described in the floor plan of the premises, in the form 16
- 17 and manner determined by the Department, reflecting walls,
- partitions, counters, and all areas of entry and exit. The 18
- 19 floor plan shall show all storage, disposal, and retail
- 20 sales areas.
- (3) All restricted access areas must be secure, with 2.1
- 22 locking devices that prevent access from the limited
- 23 access areas.
- 24 (h) Security and alarm.
- 25 (1) A dispensing organization shall have an adequate
- 26 security plan and security system to prevent and detect

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- (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

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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.

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- (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 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;
 - 24-hour recordings from all video cameras available for immediate viewing by the Department upon

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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 quarantees 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

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- (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 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.
- (j) The requirements contained in this Act are minimum requirements for operating a dispensing organization. The Department may establish additional requirements by rule.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 25 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)

1 (410 ILCS 705/15-135)

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- 2 Sec. 15-135. Investigations.
 - (a) Dispensing organizations are subject to random and unannounced dispensary inspections and cannabis testing by the Department, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Revenue, the Department of Public Health, the Illinois State Police, local law enforcement, local health officials, or as provided by rule.
- (b) The Department and its authorized representatives may 9 10 enter any place, including a vehicle, in which cannabis is 11 held. stored, dispensed, sold, produced, delivered, transported, manufactured, or disposed of and inspect, in a 12 13 reasonable manner, the place and all pertinent equipment, 14 containers and labeling, and all things including records, 15 files, financial data, sales data, shipping data, pricing 16 data, personnel data, research, papers, processes, controls, and facility, and inventory any stock of cannabis and obtain 17 samples of any cannabis or cannabis-infused product, any 18 19 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

- 1 any license issued pursuant to this Article to produce
- documents, records, or any other material pertinent to the 2
- 3 investigation of an application or alleged violations of this
- 4 Act or rules. Failure to provide the required material may be
- 5 grounds for denial or discipline.
- (e) Every person charged with preparation, obtaining, or 6
- keeping records, logs, reports, or other documents in 7
- 8 connection with this Act and rules and every person in charge,
- or having custody, of those documents shall, upon request by 9
- 10 the Department, make the documents immediately available for
- 11 inspection and copying by the Department, the Department's
- authorized representative, or others authorized by law to 12
- 13 review the documents.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 14
- 15 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)
- (410 ILCS 705/15-145) 16
- 17 Sec. 15-145. Grounds for discipline.
- 18 (a) The Department may deny issuance, refuse to renew or
- 19 restore, or may reprimand, place on probation, suspend,
- 20 revoke, or take other disciplinary or nondisciplinary action
- 21 against any license or agent identification card or may impose
- 22 a fine for any of the following:
- 23 (1) Material misstatement in furnishing information to
- 24 the Department;
- 25 (2) Violations of this Act or rules;

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- A pattern of conduct that demonstrates (4)incompetence or that the applicant has engaged in conduct or actions that would constitute grounds for discipline under this Act;
- (5) Aiding or assisting another person in violating any provision of this Act or rules;
- (6) Failing to respond to a written request for information by the Department within 30 days;
- (7) Engaging in unprofessional, dishonorable, or unethical conduct of a character likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public;
- (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,

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L	narcotics,	stimulants,	or	any	other	chemical	agent	or
2	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 Agriculture, or a dispensing organization licensed by the Department;
- (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

1	annually as a condition for licensure;
2	(18) Failure to inform the Department of any change of
3	address within 10 business days;
4	(19) Disclosing customer names, personal information,
5	or protected health information in violation of any State
6	or federal law;
7	(20) Operating a dispensary before obtaining a license
8	from the Department;
9	(21) Performing duties authorized by this Act prior to
10	receiving a license to perform such duties;
11	(22) Dispensing cannabis when prohibited by this Act
12	or rules;
13	(23) Any fact or condition that, if it had existed at
14	the time of the original application for the license,
15	would have warranted the denial of the license;
16	(24) Permitting a person without a valid agent
17	identification card to perform licensed activities under
18	this Act;
19	(25) Failure to assign an agent-in-charge as required
20	by this Article;
21	(26) Failure to provide the training required by
22	paragraph (3) of subsection (i) of Section 15-40 within
23	the provided timeframe;
24	(27) Personnel insufficient in number or unqualified
25	in training or experience to properly operate the
26	dispensary business;

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1	(28) Any pattern of activity that causes a harmful
2	impact on the community; and
3	(29) Failing to prevent diversion, theft, or loss of
4	cannabis; and-
5	(30) Engaging in a pattern of nonpayment or late
6	payment for goods or services to a cannabis business
7	<u>establishment.</u>
8	(b) All fines and fees imposed under this Section shall be
9	paid within 60 days after the effective date of the order
10	imposing the fine or as otherwise specified in the order.
11	(c) A circuit court order establishing that an
12	agent-in-charge or principal officer holding an agent
13	identification card is subject to involuntary admission as
14	that term is defined in Section 1-119 or 1-119.1 of the Mental
15	Health and Developmental Disabilities Code shall operate as a
16	suspension of that card.
17	(Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
18	(410 ILCS 705/Art. 20 heading)
19	Article 20.
20	Adult Use Cultivation Centers
21	(Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
22	(410 ILCS 705/20-10)

Sec. 20-10. Early Approval of Adult Use Cultivation Center

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(a) Any medical cannabis cultivation center registered and
in good standing under the Compassionate Use of Medical
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
Department of Agriculture for an Early Approval Adult Use
Cultivation Center License to produce cannabis and
cannabis-infused products at its existing facilities as of the
effective date of this Act.

- (b) A medical cannabis cultivation center seeking issuance of an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License shall submit an application on forms provided by the Department of Agriculture. The application must meet or include the following qualifications:
- (1) Payment of a nonrefundable application fee of \$100,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund:
 - 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 23 24 the requirements of Section 20-30;
 - (5) The legal name of the cultivation center;
 - (6) The physical address of the cultivation center;

1	(7) The name, address, social security number, and
2	date of birth of each principal officer and board member
3	of the cultivation center; each of those individuals shall
4	be at least 21 years of age;
5	(8) A nonrefundable Cannabis Business Development Fee
6	equal to 5% of the cultivation center's total sales
7	between June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019 or \$750,000,
8	whichever is less, but at not less than \$250,000, to be
9	deposited into the Cannabis Business Development Fund; and
10	(9) A commitment to completing one of the following
11	Social Equity Inclusion Plans provided for in this
12	subsection (b) before the expiration of the Early Approval
13	Adult Use Cultivation Center License:
14	(A) A contribution of 5% of the cultivation
15	center's total sales from June 1, 2018 to June 1, 2019,
16	or \$100,000, whichever is less, to one of the
17	following:
18	(i) the Cannabis Business Development Fund.
19	This is in addition to the fee required by item (8)
20	of this subsection (b);
21	(ii) a cannabis industry training or education
22	program at an Illinois community college as
23	defined in the Public Community College Act;
24	(iii) a program that provides job training
25	services to persons recently incarcerated or that

operates in a Disproportionately Impacted Area.

(B) Participate as a host in a cannabis business 1 2 incubator program for at least one year approved by 3 the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, 4 and in which an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation 5 Center License holder agrees to provide a loan of at least \$100,000 and mentorship to incubate, for at 6 7 least a year, a Social Equity Applicant intending to 8 seek a license or a licensee that qualifies as a Social 9 Equity Applicant. As used in this Section, "incubate" 10 means providing direct financial assistance and 11 training necessary to engage in licensed cannabis industry activity similar to that of the host 12 13 licensee. The Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation 14 Center License holder or the same entity holding any 15 other licenses issued pursuant to this Act shall not take an ownership stake of greater than 10% in any 16 17 business receiving incubation services to comply with this subsection. If an Early Approval Adult Use 18 Cultivation Center License holder fails to find a 19 20 business to incubate to comply with this subsection 2.1 before its Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center 22 License expires, it may opt to meet the requirement of 23 this subsection by completing another item from this 24 subsection prior to the expiration of its Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License to avoid 25 26 a penalty.

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- (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;
 - (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; and
 - (3) the cultivation center has completed a Social Equity Inclusion Plan as required by item (9) of subsection (b) of this Section.
- (c-5) The Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center 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 electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of the license that the license will expire, and inform the license holder

- 1 that it may apply for a an Adult Use Cultivation Center
- 2 License. The Department of Agriculture shall grant
- 3 Cultivation Center an Adult Use Dispensing Organization
- 4 License within 60 days of an application being deemed complete
- 5 if the applicant meets all of the criteria in Section 20-21.
- The license fee required by paragraph 6
- subsection (c) of this Section shall be in addition to any 7
- 8 license fee required for the renewal of a registered medical
- 9 cannabis cultivation center license that expires during the
- 10 effective period of the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation
- 11 Center License.
- (e) Applicants must submit all required information, 12
- including the requirements in subsection (b) of this Section, 13
- 14 to the Department of Agriculture. Failure by an applicant to
- 15 submit all required information may result in the application
- 16 being disqualified.
- the Department of Agriculture receives 17
- application with missing information, the Department may issue 18
- a deficiency notice to the applicant. The applicant shall have 19
- 20 10 calendar days from the date of the deficiency notice to
- submit complete information. Applications that are still 2.1
- 22 incomplete after this opportunity to cure may be disqualified.
- 23 If an applicant meets all the requirements of
- 24 subsection (b) of this Section, the Department of Agriculture
- 25 shall issue the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center
- 26 License within 14 days of receiving the application unless:

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- 1 (1) The licensee; principal officer, board member, or 2 person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or 3 greater in the licensee; or agent is delinquent in filing 4 any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the 5 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 Cultivation Center License is approved. A cultivation center that obtains an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License may begin selling cannabis and cannabis-infused products on December 1, 2019.
 - (i) An Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder must continue to produce and provide an adequate supply of cannabis and cannabis-infused products for purchase by qualifying patients and caregivers. For the purposes of this subsection, "adequate supply" means a monthly production level that is comparable in type and quantity to those medical cannabis products produced for patients and caregivers on an average monthly basis for the 6 months before the effective date of this Act.

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- 1 (j) If there is a shortage of cannabis or cannabis-infused license holder shall prioritize patients products. а registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 3 4 Program Act over adult use purchasers.
 - (k) If an Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center licensee fails to submit an application for a an Adult Use Cultivation Center License before the expiration of the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License pursuant to subsection (c-5) of this Section, the cultivation center shall cease all adult use cultivation until it receives a an Adult Use Cultivation Center License.
 - A cultivation center agent who holds a valid cultivation center agent identification card issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act and is an officer, director, manager, or employee of the cultivation center licensed under this Section may engage in all activities authorized by this Article to be performed by a cultivation center agent.
 - (m) If the Department of Agriculture suspends or revokes the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License of a cultivation center that also holds a medical cannabis cultivation center license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, the Department of Agriculture may suspend or revoke the medical cannabis cultivation center license concurrently with the Early Approval Adult Use Cultivation Center License.

- 1 (n) All fees or fines collected from an Early Approval
- Adult Use Cultivation Center License holder as a result of a 2
- 3 disciplinary action in the enforcement of this Act shall be
- 4 deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- (410 ILCS 705/20-15) 6
- Sec. 20-15. Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center 7
- 8 application.
- 9 (a) If the Department of Agriculture makes available
- 10 additional cultivation center licenses pursuant to Section
- 20-5, applicants for a Conditional Adult Use Cultivation 11
- 12 Center License shall electronically submit the following in
- 13 such form as the Department of Agriculture may direct:
- 14 (1) the nonrefundable application fee set by rule by
- the Department of Agriculture, to be deposited into the 15
- 16 Cannabis Regulation Fund;
- 17 (2) the legal name of the cultivation center;
- 18 (3) the proposed physical address of the cultivation
- 19 center;
- (4) the name, address, social security number, and 20
- 21 date of birth of each principal officer and board member
- 22 of the cultivation center; each principal officer and
- board member shall be at least 21 years of age; 23
- 24 (5) the details of any administrative or judicial
- 25 proceeding in which any of the principal officers or board

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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 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,

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business;

1	hire, and educate minorities, women, veterans, and persons
2	with disabilities, engage in fair labor practices, and
3	provide worker protections;
4	(10) whether an applicant can demonstrate experience
5	in or business practices that promote economic empowerment
6	in Disproportionately Impacted Areas;
7	(11) experience with the cultivation of agricultural
8	or horticultural products, operating an agriculturally
9	related business, or operating a horticultural business;
10	(12) a description of the enclosed, locked facility
11	where cannabis will be grown, harvested, manufactured,
12	processed, packaged, or otherwise prepared for
13	distribution to a dispensing organization;
14	(13) a survey of the enclosed, locked facility,
15	including the space used for cultivation;
16	(14) cultivation, processing, inventory, and packaging
17	plans;
18	(15) a description of the applicant's experience with
19	agricultural cultivation techniques and industry
20	standards;
21	(16) a list of any academic degrees, certifications,
22	or relevant experience of all prospective principal

(17) the identity of every person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the cultivation

officers, board members, and agents of the related

1	center operation with respect to which the license is
2	sought, whether a trust, corporation, partnership, limited
3	liability company, or sole proprietorship, including the
4	name and address of each person;
5	(18) a plan describing how the cultivation center will
6	address each of the following:
7	(i) energy needs, including estimates of monthly
8	electricity and gas usage, to what extent it will
9	procure energy from a local utility or from on-site
10	generation, and if it has or will adopt a sustainable
11	energy use and energy conservation policy;
12	(ii) water needs, including estimated water draw
13	and if it has or will adopt a sustainable water use and
14	water conservation policy; and
15	(iii) waste management, including if it has or
16	will adopt a waste reduction policy;
17	(19) a diversity plan that includes a narrative of not
18	more than 2,500 words that establishes a goal of diversity
19	in ownership, management, employment, and contracting to
20	ensure that diverse participants and groups are afforded
21	equality of opportunity;
22	(20) any other information required by rule;
23	(21) a recycling plan:
24	(A) Purchaser packaging, including cartridges,
25	shall be accepted by the applicant and recycled.

(B) Any recyclable waste generated by the cannabis

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cultivation facility shall be recycled per applicable 1 State and local laws, ordinances, and rules. 2

- (C) Any cannabis waste, liquid waste, or hazardous waste shall be disposed of in accordance with 8 Ill. Adm. Code 1000.460, except, to the greatest extent feasible, all cannabis plant waste will be rendered unusable by grinding and incorporating the cannabis plant waste with compostable mixed waste to be disposed of in accordance with 8 Ill. Adm. Code 1000.460(q)(1);
- (22) commitment to comply with local waste provisions: a cultivation facility must remain in compliance with applicable State and federal environmental requirements, including, but not limited to:
 - storing, securing, and managing (A) all and waste, including organic waste recyclables composed of or containing finished cannabis and cannabis products, in accordance with applicable State and local laws, ordinances, and rules; and
 - (B) disposing liquid waste containing cannabis or byproducts of cannabis processing in compliance with all applicable State and federal requirements, not limited to, the cannabis including, but cultivation facility's permits under Title X of the Environmental Protection Act; and
 - (23) a commitment to a technology standard for

1	resource efficiency of the cultivation center facility.
2	(A) A cannabis cultivation facility commits to use
3	resources efficiently, including energy and water. For
4	the following, a cannabis cultivation facility commits
5	to meet or exceed the technology standard identified
6	in items (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv), which may be
7	modified by rule:
8	(i) lighting systems, including light bulbs;
9	(ii) HVAC system;
10	(iii) water application system to the crop;
11	and
12	(iv) filtration system for removing
13	contaminants from wastewater.
14	(B) Lighting. The Lighting Power Densities (LPD)
15	for cultivation space commits to not exceed an average
16	of 36 watts per gross square foot of active and growing
17	space canopy, or all installed lighting technology
18	shall meet a photosynthetic photon efficacy (PPE) of
19	no less than 2.2 micromoles per joule fixture and
20	shall be featured on the DesignLights Consortium (DLC)
21	Horticultural Specification Qualified Products List
22	(QPL). In the event that DLC requirement for minimum
23	efficacy exceeds 2.2 micromoles per joule fixture,
24	that PPE shall become the new standard.
25	(C) HVAC.
26	The (i) For cannabis grow operations with less

1	than 6,000 square feet of canopy, the licensee
2	commits that all HVAC units will be
3	high-efficiency ductless split HVAC units, or
4	other more energy efficient equipment.
5	(ii) For cannabis grow operations with 6,000
6	square feet of canopy or more, the licensee
7	commits that all HVAC units will be variable
8	refrigerant flow HVAC units, or other more energy
9	efficient equipment.
10	(D) Water application.
11	(i) The cannabis cultivation facility commits
12	to use automated watering systems, including, but
13	not limited to, drip irrigation and flood tables,
14	to irrigate cannabis crop.
15	(ii) The cannabis cultivation facility commits
16	to measure runoff from watering events and report
17	this volume in its water usage plan, and that on
18	average, watering events shall have no more than
19	20% of runoff of water.
20	(E) Filtration. The cultivator commits that HVAC
21	condensate, dehumidification water, excess runoff, and
22	other wastewater produced by the cannabis cultivation
23	facility shall be captured and filtered to the best of
24	the facility's ability to achieve the quality needed
25	to be reused in subsequent watering rounds.

(F) Reporting energy use and efficiency as

- 1 required by rule.
- 2 (b) Applicants must submit all required information,
- 3 including the information required in Section 20-10, to the
- 4 Department of Agriculture. Failure by an applicant to submit
- 5 all required information may result in the application being
- 6 disqualified.
- 7 (c) If the Department of Agriculture receives an
- 8 application with missing information, the Department of
- 9 Agriculture may issue a deficiency notice to the applicant.
- 10 The applicant shall have 10 calendar days from the date of the
- 11 deficiency notice to resubmit the incomplete information.
- 12 Applications that are still incomplete after this opportunity
- 13 to cure will not be scored and will be disqualified.
- 14 (d) (Blank).
- 15 (e) A cultivation center that is awarded a Conditional
- 16 Adult Use Cultivation Center License pursuant to the criteria
- in Section 20-20 shall not grow, purchase, possess, or sell
- 18 cannabis or cannabis-infused products until the person has
- 19 received an Adult Use Cultivation Center License issued by the
- 20 Department of Agriculture pursuant to Section 20-21 of this
- 21 Act.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 23 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; revised 7-23-24.)
- 24 (410 ILCS 705/20-20)
- 25 Sec. 20-20. Conditional <u>Cultivation Center</u> Adult Use

- License scoring applications. 1
- (a) The Department of Agriculture shall by rule develop a 2
- 3 svstem to score cultivation center applications
- 4 administratively rank applications based on the clarity,
- 5 organization, and quality of the applicant's responses to
- required information. Applicants shall be awarded points based 6
- 7 on the following categories:
 - (1) Suitability of the proposed facility;
- 9 (2) Suitability of employee training plan;
- 10 (3) Security and recordkeeping;
- 11 (4) Cultivation plan;
- (5) Product safety and labeling plan; 12
- 13 (6) Business plan;
- 14 (7) The applicant's status as a Social
- 15 Applicant, which shall constitute no less than 20% of
- 16 total available points;
- Labor and employment practices, which shall 17
- constitute no less than 2% of total available points; 18
- 19 (9) Environmental plan as described in paragraphs
- 20 (18), (21), (22), and (23) of subsection (a) of Section
- 20-15; 2.1

- 22 (10) The applicant is 51% or more owned and controlled
- 23 by an individual or individuals who have been an Illinois
- 24 resident for the past 5 years as proved by tax records or 2
- 25 of the following:
- 26 (A) a signed lease agreement that includes the

1	applicant's name;
2	(B) a property deed that includes the applicant's
3	name;
4	(C) school records;
5	(D) a voter registration card;
6	(E) an Illinois driver's license, an Illinois
7	Identification Card, or an Illinois Person with a
8	Disability Identification Card;
9	(F) a paycheck stub;
10	(G) a utility bill; or
11	(H) any other proof of residency or other
12	information necessary to establish residence as
13	provided by rule;
14	(11) The applicant is 51% or more controlled and owned
15	by an individual or individuals who meet the
16	qualifications of a veteran as defined by Section 45-57 of
17	the Illinois Procurement Code;
18	(12) a diversity plan that includes a narrative of not
19	more than 2,500 words that establishes a goal of diversity
20	in ownership, management, employment, and contracting to
21	ensure that diverse participants and groups are afforded
22	equality of opportunity; and
23	(13) Any other criteria the Department of Agriculture
24	may set by rule for points.
25	(b) The Department may also award bonus points for the
26	applicant's plan to engage with the community. Bonus points

- 1 will only be awarded if the Department receives applications
- that receive an equal score for a particular region. 2
- 3 (c) Should the applicant be awarded a cultivation center
- 4 license, the information and plans that an applicant provided
- 5 in its application, including any plans submitted for the
- acquiring of bonus points, becomes a mandatory condition of 6
- the permit. Any variation from or failure to perform such 7
- plans may result in discipline, including the revocation or 8
- 9 nonrenewal of a license.
- 10 (d) Should the applicant be awarded a cultivation center
- 11 license, it shall pay a fee of \$100,000 prior to receiving the
- license, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. 12
- 13 The Department of Agriculture may by rule adjust the fee in
- 14 this Section after January 1, 2021.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- (410 ILCS 705/20-21) 16
- Sec. 20-21. Adult Use Cultivation Center License. 17
- (a) A person or entity is only eligible to receive a an 18
- 19 Adult Use Cultivation Center License if the person or entity
- has first been awarded a Conditional Adult Use Cultivation 20
- 21 Center License pursuant to this Act or the person or entity has
- 22 renewed its Early Approval Cultivation Center License pursuant
- to subsection (c) of Section 20-10. 23
- 24 (b) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue a an
- 25 Adult Use Cultivation Center License until:

1	(1) the Department of Agriculture has inspected the
2	cultivation center site and proposed operations and
3	verified that they are in compliance with this Act and
4	local zoning laws;
5	(2) the Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center
6	License holder has paid a registration fee of \$100,000 or
7	a prorated amount accounting for the difference of time
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8	between when the Adult Use Cultivation Center License is
9	issued and March 31 of the next even-numbered year; and
10	(3) The Conditional Adult Use Cultivation Center
11	License holder has met all the requirements in the Act and
12	rules.
13	(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on and
14	after July 1, 2026, the Department shall cease to issue or
15	renew any medical cannabis cultivation permit issued under the
16	Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Act. Licensees that hold
17	dual Medical Cannabis Cultivation Permits and Adult Use
18	Cultivation Center Licenses may continue all operations with a
19	valid Cultivation Center License issued under this Act that is
20	in good standing.
21	(1) The Department shall create a process for licenses
22	to transition to sole operation as Cultivation Centers;
23	including refund or proration of medical cultivation
24	center permit fees.
25	(2) Any statements or plans submitted as part of an

initial application for a medical cannabis cultivation

- 1 permit as well as all subsequent modifications and alterations shall remain a mandatory condition of the 2 3 cultivation center license.
- 4 (3) Cultivation Centers shall not relocate except 5 within the same Illinois State Police District boundary as specified on the date of January 1, 2013 in which the 6 initial Medical Cannabis Cultivation Permit was initially 7 issued. 8
- 9 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 10 (410 ILCS 705/20-30)
- Sec. 20-30. Cultivation center requirements; prohibitions. 11
- (a) The operating documents of a cultivation center shall 12 13 include procedures for the oversight of the cultivation 14 center, a cannabis plant monitoring system including a 15 physical inventory recorded weekly, accurate recordkeeping,
- 16 and a staffing plan.

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17 (b) A cultivation center shall implement a security plan reviewed by the Illinois State Police that includes, but is 18 19 not limited to: facility access controls, perimeter intrusion 20 detection systems, personnel identification systems, 24-hour 21 surveillance system to monitor the interior and exterior of 22 cultivation center facility and accessibility 23 authorized law enforcement, the Department of Public Health where processing takes place, and the Department of 24

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- (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 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

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- 1 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.
 - (q) 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.
 - (h) A cultivation center agent shall notify local law enforcement, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or theft. Notification shall be made by phone or in person, or by 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, has a contract to receive payment in any form from a

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- 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 entity 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 for cultivation of adult use cannabis as provided in this Act.
 - (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 any officer, center license or 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

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1 Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 2 Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization 3 License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program 4 5 Act, or to any person connected with or in any way 6 representing, or to any member of the family of, such person holding an Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization 7 8 License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization 9 License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a 10 medical cannabis dispensing organization license issued under 11 the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or to any stockholders in any corporation engaged in the retail sale 12 13 of cannabis, to any officer, manager, or agent, 14 representative of the Early Approval Adult Use Dispensing 15 Organization License, a Conditional Adult Use Dispensing 16 Organization License, an Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a medical cannabis dispensing organization license 17 issued under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program 18 Act to obtain preferential placement within the dispensing 19 20 organization, including, without limitation, on shelves and in 2.1 display cases where purchasers can view products, or on the 22 dispensing organization's website.

- (o) A cultivation center must comply with any other requirements or prohibitions set by administrative rule of the Department of Agriculture.
 - (p) A cultivation center may not be located within 2,500

- 1 feet of the property line of a pre-existing public or private
- preschool or elementary or secondary school or day care 2
- 3 center, day care home, group day care home, part day child care
- 4 facility, or an area zoned for residential use.
- 5 (q) Upon approval of the Department through an application
- for alteration, cultivation centers shall retain 90 days of 6
- camera storage in any location. The Department may require 7
- 8 footage be maintained for purposes of an investigation.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 10 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 5-13-22.) 11

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- 12 (410 ILCS 705/20-35)
- 13 Sec. 20-35. Cultivation center agent identification card.
- 14 (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 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;

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L	(3) issue an agent identification card to a qualifying
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3	application or renewal application;

- (4) enter the license number of the cultivation center 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 the cultivation center at which the agent is employed.
- 16 (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the 17 following:
 - (1) the name of the cardholder;
 - (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
- 2.5 (5) the legal name of the cultivation center employing 26 the agent.

- 1 (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately
- returned to the cultivation center of 2 t.he agent upon
- termination of his or her employment. 3
- 4 (e) Any agent identification card lost by a cultivation
- 5 center agent shall be reported to the Illinois State Police
- and the Department of Agriculture immediately upon discovery 6
- 7 of the loss.
- 8 (f) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue an agent
- 9 identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing
- 10 any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the
- State of Illinois. 11
- (g) The Department and the Department of Financial and 12
- 13 Professional Regulation may develop and implement an
- 14 integrated system to issue an agent identification card which
- 15 identifies a cultivation center agent licensed by the
- Department as well as any craft grower, transporter, 16
- dispensing organization, community college program, or infuser 17
- license or registration the agent may simultaneously hold. 18
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.) 19
- (410 ILCS 705/20-45) 2.0
- Sec. 20-45. Renewal of cultivation center licenses and 21
- 22 agent identification cards.
- (a) Licenses and identification cards issued under this 23
- 24 Act shall be renewed annually. A cultivation center shall
- 25 receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the

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- 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:
 - application and the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$100,000, or another amount as the Department of Agriculture may set by rule after January 1, 2021, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. On or after July 1, 2026 the Cultivation Center license renewal fee shall be \$200,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund. For the 2027 renewal cycle the Department may set up a process to refund or prorate renewal fees.
 - (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 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
 - (5) the cultivation center has submitted an environmental impact report.

- 1 (b) If a cultivation center fails to renew its license
- 2 before expiration, it shall cease operations until its license
- 3 is renewed.
- 4 (c) If a cultivation center agent fails to renew his or her
- 5 identification card before its expiration, he or she shall
- 6 cease to work as an agent of the cultivation center until his
- 7 or her identification card is renewed.
- 8 (d) Any cultivation center that continues to operate, or
- 9 any cultivation center agent who continues to work as an
- 10 agent, after the applicable license or identification card has
- 11 expired without renewal is subject to the penalties provided
- 12 under Section 45-5.
- 13 (e) The Department of Agriculture shall not renew a
- 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
- 17 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 18 (410 ILCS 705/25-35)
- 19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2026)
- 20 Sec. 25-35. Community College Cannabis Vocational Training
- 21 Pilot Program faculty participant agent identification card.
- 22 (a) The Department shall:
- 23 (1) establish by rule the information required in an
- initial application or renewal application for an agent
- 25 identification card submitted under this Article and the

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1 nonrefundable fee to accompany the initial application or 2 renewal application;

- (2) verify the information contained in an initial application or renewal application for an identification card submitted under this Article, 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 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. 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.
- 23 (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the 24 following:
- 25 (1) the name of the cardholder;
 - (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the

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- (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification 2 number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4 3 4 letters that is unique to the holder;
- 5 (4) a photograph of the cardholder; and
- (5) the legal name of the community college employing 6 7 the agent.
 - (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately returned to the community college of the agent upon termination of his or her employment.
- 11 (e) Any agent identification card lost shall be reported to the Illinois State Police and the Department of Agriculture 12 13 immediately upon discovery of the loss.
 - (f) An agent applicant may begin employment at a Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot Program 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 Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot Program and the agent applicant shall be notified and the agent applicant must cease all activity at the Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot Program immediately.
 - (g) The Department of Agriculture 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.

- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 1
- 2 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)
- 3 (410 ILCS 705/30-10)

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- 4 Sec. 30-10. Application.
- (a) When applying for a license, the applicant shall 5 electronically submit the following in such form as the 6 7 Department of Agriculture may direct:
 - (1) the nonrefundable application fee of \$5,000 to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund, or another amount as the Department of Agriculture may set by rule after January 1, 2021;
 - (2) the legal name of the craft grower;
 - (3) the proposed physical address of the craft grower;
 - (4) the name, address, social security number, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member of the craft grower; 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 craft grower (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;

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(6) proposed operating bylaws that include procedures
for the oversight of the craft grower, 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 on a weekly basis by the
craft grower;

- (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 craft grower 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

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1	or	horticultural	products,	operating	an	agriculturally
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- (12) a description of the enclosed, locked facility where cannabis will be grown, harvested, manufactured, packaged, or otherwise prepared for distribution to a dispensing organization or other cannabis business establishment:
- (13) a survey of the enclosed, locked facility, including the space used for cultivation;
- (14) cultivation, processing, inventory, and packaging plans;
- (15) a description of the applicant's experience with agricultural cultivation techniques and standards;
- (16) a list of any academic degrees, certifications, or relevant experience of all prospective principal officers, board members, and agents of the related business;
- (17) the identity of every person having a financial or voting interest of 5% or greater in the craft grower operation, 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 craft grower will address each of the following:
 - (i) energy needs, including estimates of monthly

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1	electricity and gas usage, to what extent it will
2	procure energy from a local utility or from on-site
3	generation, and if it has or will adopt a sustainable
4	energy use and energy conservation policy;
5	(ii) water needs, including estimated water draw
6	and if it has or will adopt a sustainable water use and
7	water conservation policy; and
8	(iii) waste management, including if it has or
9	will adopt a waste reduction policy;
10	(19) 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 craft
14	grower facility shall be recycled per applicable State
15	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

(20) a commitment to comply with local waste provisions: a craft grower facility must remain in compliance with applicable State and federal environmental

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disposed of in accordance with 8 Ill. Adm. Code

1	requirements, 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;
13	(21) a commitment to a technology standard for
14	resource efficiency of the craft grower facility.
15	(A) A craft grower 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 paragraphs (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)
for cultivation space commits to not exceed an average
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
shall be featured on the DesignLights Consortium (DLC)
Horticultural Specification Qualified Products List
(QPL). In the event that DLC requirement for minimum
efficacy exceeds 2.2 micromoles per joule fixture,
that PPE shall become the new standard.

(C) HVAC.

- (i) The For cannabis grow operations with less than 6,000 square feet of canopy, the licensee commits that all HVAC units will high-efficiency ductless split HVAC units, or other more energy efficient equipment.
- (ii) (Blank). 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 craft grower facility commits to use automated watering systems, including, but not limited to, drip irrigation and flood tables, to

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Т	irrigate cannabis crop.
2	(ii) The craft grower facility commits to
3	measure runoff from watering events and report
4	this volume in its water usage plan, and that on
5	average, watering events shall have no more than
6	20% of runoff of water.
7	(E) Filtration. The craft grower commits that HVAC
8	condensate, dehumidification water, excess runoff, and
9	other wastewater produced by the craft grower facility
10	shall be captured and filtered to the best of the
11	facility's ability to achieve the quality needed to be
12	reused in subsequent watering rounds.
13	(F) Reporting energy use and efficiency as
14	required by rule; and
15	(22) any other information required by rule.
16	(b) Applicants must submit all required information,
17	including the information required in Section 30-15, to the
18	Department of Agriculture. Failure by an applicant to submit
19	all required information may result in the application being
20	disqualified.
21	(c) If the Department of Agriculture receives an
22	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

- 1 to cure will not be scored and will be disqualified.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 2
- 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.) 3
- 4 (410 ILCS 705/30-30)
- 5 Sec. 30-30. Craft grower requirements; prohibitions.
- The operating documents of a craft grower shall 6
- include procedures for the oversight of the craft grower, a 7
- 8 cannabis plant monitoring system including a physical
- 9 inventory recorded weekly, accurate recordkeeping, and a
- 10 staffing plan.
- (b) A craft grower shall implement a security plan 11
- 12 reviewed by the Illinois State Police that includes, but is
- 13 not limited to: facility access controls, perimeter intrusion
- 14 detection systems, personnel identification systems, and a
- 15 24-hour surveillance system to monitor the interior and
- exterior of the craft grower facility and that is accessible 16
- authorized law enforcement and the Department of 17
- 18 Agriculture in real time.
- 19 (c) All cultivation of cannabis by a craft grower must
- take place in an enclosed, locked facility at the physical 20
- 21 address provided to the Department of Agriculture during the
- 22 licensing process. The craft grower location shall only be
- 23 accessed by the agents working for the craft grower, the
- 24 Department of Agriculture staff performing inspections, the
- 25 Department of Public Health staff performing inspections,

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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 provided in this Act, or participants in the incubator program, individuals in a mentoring or educational program approved by the State, or other individuals as provided by rule. However, if a craft grower shares a premises with an infuser or dispensing organization, agents from those other licensees may access the craft grower portion of the premises if that is the location of common bathrooms, lunchrooms, locker rooms, or other areas of the building where work or cultivation of cannabis is not performed. At no time may an infuser or dispensing organization agent perform work at a craft grower without being a registered agent of the craft grower.

- (d) A craft grower may not sell or distribute any cannabis to any person other than a cultivation center, a craft grower, an infuser organization, a dispensing organization, or as otherwise authorized by rule.
- (e) A craft grower may not be located in an area zoned for 2.1 residential use. 22
- 23 (f) A craft grower may not either directly or indirectly 24 discriminate in price between different cannabis business 25 establishments that are purchasing a like grade, strain, 26 brand, and quality of cannabis or cannabis-infused product.

- 1 Nothing in this subsection (f) prevents a craft grower from
- 2 pricing cannabis differently based on differences in the cost
- 3 of manufacturing or processing, the quantities sold, such as
- 4 volume discounts, or the way the products are delivered.
- 5 (g) All cannabis harvested by a craft grower and intended
- for distribution to a dispensing organization must be entered
- 7 into a data collection system, packaged and labeled under
- 8 Section 55-21, and, if distribution is to a dispensing
- 9 organization that does not share a premises with the
- 10 dispensing organization receiving the cannabis, placed into a
- 11 cannabis container for transport. All cannabis harvested by a
- 12 craft grower and intended for distribution to a cultivation
- 13 center, to an infuser organization, or to a craft grower with
- 14 which it does not share a premises, must be packaged in a
- 15 labeled cannabis container and entered into a data collection
- 16 system before transport.
- 17 (h) Craft growers are subject to random inspections by the
- Department of Agriculture, local safety or health inspectors,
- the Illinois State Police, or as provided by rule.
- 20 (i) A craft grower agent shall notify local law
- 21 enforcement, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of
- 22 Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or
- 23 theft. Notification shall be made by phone, in person, or
- 24 written or electronic communication.
- 25 (j) A craft grower shall comply with all State and any
- 26 applicable federal rules and regulations regarding the use of

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- 2 (k) A craft grower or craft grower agent shall not 3 transport cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any other 4 cannabis business establishment without a transport 5 organization license unless:
 - (i) If the craft grower is located in a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more, the cannabis business establishment receiving the cannabis is within 2,000 feet of the property line of the craft grower;
 - (ii) If the craft grower 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 is within 2 miles of the craft grower; or
 - (iii) If the craft grower is located in a county with a population of fewer than 700,000, the cannabis business establishment receiving the cannabis is within 15 miles of the craft grower.
 - (1) A craft grower may enter into a contract with a transporting organization to transport cannabis to a cultivation center, a craft grower, an infuser organization, a dispensing organization, or a laboratory.
 - (m) No person or entity shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, of more than 3 craft grower licenses. Further, no person or entity that is employed by, an agent of, or has a contract to receive payment from or participate in the management of a

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craft grower, is a principal officer of a craft grower, or entity controlled by or affiliated with a principal officer of a craft grower shall hold any legal, equitable, ownership, or beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, in a craft grower license that would result in the person or entity owning or controlling in combination with any craft grower, principal officer of a craft grower, or entity controlled or affiliated with a principal officer of a craft grower by which he, she, or it is employed, is an agent of, or participates in the management of more than 3 craft grower licenses.

(n) It is unlawful for any person having a craft grower license or any officer, associate, member, representative, or agent of the 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, the 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

- 1 corporation engaged in the retail sale of cannabis, or to any
- 2 officer, manager, agent, or representative of the Early
- 3 Approval Adult Use Dispensing Organization License,
- Conditional Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, an 4
- 5 Adult Use Dispensing Organization License, or a medical
- 6 cannabis dispensing organization license issued under the
- Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act to obtain 7
- 8 preferential placement within the dispensing organization,
- 9 including, without limitation, on shelves and in display cases
- 10 where purchasers can view products, or on the dispensing
- 11 organization's website.
- (o) A craft grower shall not be located within 1,500 feet 12
- 13 of another craft grower or a cultivation center.
- 14 A craft grower may process cannabis, cannabis
- 15 concentrates, and cannabis-infused products.
- 16 (q) A craft grower must comply with any other requirements
- or prohibitions set by administrative rule of the Department 17
- 18 of Agriculture.
- 19 (r) Upon approval of the Department through an application
- 20 for alteration, craft growers shall retain 90 days of camera
- storage in any location. The Department may require footage be 21
- 22 maintained for purposes of an investigation.
- (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
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- Sec. 30-35. Craft grower 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 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.

1	(b)	An	agent	must	keep	his	or	her	identification	card
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- 2 visible at all times when on the property of a cannabis
- 3 business establishment, including the craft grower
- 4 organization for which he or she is an agent.
- 5 (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the
- 6 following:

- (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 8 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the 9 identification card;
- 10 (3) a random 10-digit alphanumeric identification 11 number containing at least 4 numbers and at least 4
- letters that is unique to the holder; 12
- 13 (4) a photograph of the cardholder; and
- 14 (5) the legal name of the craft grower organization
- 15 employing the agent.
- 16 (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately
- returned to the cannabis business establishment of the agent 17
- 18 upon termination of his or her employment.
- (e) Any agent identification card lost by a craft grower 19
- 20 agent shall be reported to the Illinois State Police and the
- Department of Agriculture immediately upon discovery of the 2.1
- 22 loss.
- 23 (f) The Department of Agriculture shall not issue an agent
- 24 identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing
- 25 any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the
- 26 State of Illinois.

- 1 (q) The Department and the Department of Financial and
- Professional Regulation may develop and implement an 2
- 3 integrated system to issue an agent identification card that
- 4 identifies a craft grower agent licensed by the Department as
- 5 well as any cultivator, dispensary, transporter, community
- college program, or infuser license or registration the agent 6
- 7 may simultaneously hold.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.) 8
- 9 (410 ILCS 705/30-45)
- 10 Sec. 30-45. Renewal of craft grower licenses and agent
- identification cards. 11
- (a) Licenses and identification cards issued under this 12
- 13 Act shall be renewed annually. Effective July 1, 2026 all
- 14 craft grower licenses are valid for 2 years upon the next
- 15 renewal period. A craft grower shall receive written or
- electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of its current 16
- license that the license will expire. The Department of 17
- 18 Agriculture shall grant a renewal within 45 days of submission
- 19 of a renewal application if:
- (1) the craft grower submits a renewal application and 20
- 21 the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$40,000, or
- 22 another amount as the Department of Agriculture may set by
- 23 rule after January 1, 2021;
- 24 (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended
- 25 the license of the craft grower or suspended or revoked

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- 1 the license for violating this Act or rules adopted under this Act: 2
 - (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 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 until his or her identification card is renewed.
 - (d) Any craft grower that continues to operate, or any craft grower 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.
- 2.5 (e) All fees or fines collected from the renewal of a craft 26 grower license shall be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation

- 1 Fund.
- (f) The Department of Agriculture shall not renew a 2
- 3 license or an agent identification card if the applicant is
- 4 delinquent in filing any required tax returns or paying any
- 5 amounts owed to the State of Illinois
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.) 6
- 7 (410 ILCS 705/35-25)
- 8 Sec. 35-25. Infuser organization requirements;
- 9 prohibitions.
- 10 (a) The operating documents of an infuser shall include
- procedures for the oversight of the infuser, an inventory 11
- 12 monitoring system including a physical inventory recorded
- 13 weekly, accurate recordkeeping, and a staffing plan.
- 14 (b) An infuser shall implement a security plan reviewed by
- 15 the Illinois State Police that includes, but is not limited
- to: facility access controls, perimeter intrusion detection 16
- 17 systems, personnel identification systems, and a 24-hour
- surveillance system to monitor the interior and exterior of 18
- 19 the infuser facility and that is accessible to authorized law
- 20 enforcement, the Department of Public Health, and the
- 21 Department of Agriculture in real time.
- 22 (c) All processing of cannabis by an infuser must take
- 23 place in an enclosed, locked facility at the physical address
- 24 provided to the Department of Agriculture during the licensing
- 25 process. The infuser location shall only be accessed by the

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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 incubator program, individuals in a mentoring 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

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- pricing cannabis differently based on differences in the cost 1 of manufacturing or processing, the quantities sold, such 2
- 3 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, infuser organization, or craft grower with which it does not share a premises, must be packaged in a labeled cannabis container and entered into a data collection system before transport.
 - (g) Infusers are subject to random inspections by the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, the Illinois State Police, local law enforcement, or as provided by rule.
- (h) An infuser agent shall notify local law enforcement, 19 20 the Illinois State Police, and the Department of Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or theft. 2.1 22 Notification shall be made by phone, in person, or by written or electronic communication. 23
- 24 (i) An infuser organization may not be located in an area 25 zoned for residential use.
- 26 (j) An infuser or infuser agent shall not transport

- 1 cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any other cannabis
- business establishment without a transport organization 2
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- 4 (i) If the infuser is located in a county with a 5 population of 3,000,000 or more, the cannabis business establishment receiving the cannabis or cannabis-infused 6 product is within 2,000 feet of the property line of the 7 8 infuser:
 - (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.
 - An infuser may enter into a contract with transporting organization to transport cannabis 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.

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(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, 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 the retail sales of cannabis, or to any officer, manager, agent, or representative of the 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 to obtain preferential placement within the dispensing organization, including, without limitation, on shelves and in display cases where purchasers can view products, or on the

- 1 dispensing organization's website.
- 2 (n) At no time shall an infuser organization or an infuser
- 3 agent perform the extraction of cannabis concentrate from
- 4 cannabis flower, except if the infuser organization has also
- 5 been issued a processor license under Section 35-31(f).
- (o) Upon approval of the Department through an application 6
- 7 for alteration, infusing organizations shall retain 90 days of
- camera storage in any location. The Department may require 8
- 9 footage be maintained for purposes of an investigation.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19;
- 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 11
- 5-13-22.) 12
- (410 ILCS 705/35-30) 13
- 14 Sec. 35-30. Infuser agent identification card.
- 15 (a) The Department of Agriculture shall:
- (1) establish by rule the information required in an 16
- initial application or renewal application for an agent 17
- identification card submitted under this Act and the 18
- 19 nonrefundable fee to accompany the initial application or
- 20 renewal application;
- (2) verify the information contained in an initial 21
- 22 application or renewal application for
- 23 identification card submitted under this Act, and approve
- 24 or deny an application within 30 days of receiving a
- 25 completed initial application or renewal application and

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- (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 14 15 visible at all times when on the property of a cannabis 16 business establishment including the cannabis business 17 establishment for which he or she is an agent.
 - (c) The agent identification cards shall contain the following:
 - (1) the name of the cardholder;
- 2.1 (2) the date of issuance and expiration date of the identification card; 22
 - (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

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- 1 (5) legal name of the infuser organization 2 employing the agent.
 - (d) An agent identification card shall be immediately returned to the infuser organization of the agent upon 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 notified and the agent applicant must cease all activity at the infuser organization immediately.
 - (q) The Department of Agriculture 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.
 - (h) The Department and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may develop and implement an integrated system to issue an agent identification card that identifies an infuser agent licensed by the Department as well as any cultivation center, craft grower, dispensary, transporter, or community college program, or registration the

- 1 agent may simultaneously hold.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 2
- 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.) 3
- 4 (410 ILCS 705/35-40)

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- 5 Sec. 35-40. Renewal of infuser organization licenses and 6 agent identification cards.
- (a) Licenses and identification cards issued under this 7 8 Act shall be renewed annually. Effective July 1, 2026 all 9 infuser organization licenses are valid for two years upon the 10 next renewal period. An infuser organization shall receive written or electronic notice 90 days before the expiration of 11 12 its current license that the license will expire. 13 Department of Agriculture shall grant a renewal within 45 days 14 of submission of a renewal application if:
 - the infuser organization submits a renewal application and the required nonrefundable renewal fee of \$20,000, or, after January 1, 2021, another amount set by rule by the Department of Agriculture, to be deposited into the Cannabis Regulation Fund;
 - (2) the Department of Agriculture has not suspended or revoked the license of the infuser organization for violating this Act or rules adopted under this Act;
 - (3) the infuser organization 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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- 1 or any amendments thereto that have been approved by the Department of Agriculture; 2
 - (4) The infuser has submitted an agent, employee, contracting, and subcontracting diversity report as required by the Department; and
- (5) The infuser has submitted an environmental impact 6 7 report.
 - (b) If an infuser organization fails to renew its license before expiration, it shall cease operations until its license is renewed.
- 11 (c) If an infuser organization agent fails to renew his or her identification card before its expiration, he or she shall 12 13 cease to work as an agent of the infuser organization until his or her identification card is renewed. 14
- 15 (d) Any infuser organization that continues to operate, or 16 any infuser organization agent who continues to work as an agent, after the applicable license or identification card has 17 18 expired without renewal is subject to the penalties provided under Section 35-25. 19
- 20 (e) The Department shall not renew a license or an agent identification card if the applicant is delinquent in filing 2.1 22 any required tax returns or paying any amounts owed to the State of Illinois. 23
- 24 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)

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- Sec. 40-25. Transporting organization requirements; prohibitions.
 - (a) The operating documents of a transporting organization shall include procedures for the oversight of the transporter, an inventory monitoring system including a physical inventory recorded weekly, accurate recordkeeping, and a staffing plan.
 - (b) A transporting organization may not transport cannabis or cannabis-infused products to any person other than a cultivation center, a craft grower, an infuser organization, a dispensing organization, a testing facility, transfer site, or as otherwise authorized by rule.
- 12 (c) All cannabis transported by a transporting
 13 organization must be entered into a data collection system and
 14 placed into a cannabis container for transport.
 - (d) Transporters are subject to random inspections by the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, the Illinois State Police, or as provided by rule.
 - (e) A transporting organization agent shall notify local law enforcement, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of Agriculture within 24 hours of the discovery of any loss or theft. Notification shall be made by phone, in person, or by written or electronic communication.
- 23 (f) No person under the age of 21 years shall be in a 24 commercial vehicle or trailer transporting cannabis goods.
 - (g) No person or individual who is not a transporting organization agent shall be in a vehicle while transporting

1 cannabis goods.

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- 2 (h) Transporters may not use commercial motor vehicles 3 with a weight rating of over 10,001 pounds.
 - (i) It is unlawful for any person to offer or deliver money, or anything else of value, directly or indirectly, to any of the following persons to obtain preferential placement within the dispensing organization, including, without limitation, on shelves and in display cases where purchasers can view products, or on the dispensing organization's website:
 - (1) a person having a transporting organization officer, associate, license, or any member, representative, or agent of the licensee;
 - (2) a person having an Early Applicant 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;
 - (3) а person connected with or in anv representing, or a member of the family of, a person holding an Early Applicant 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
 - (4) a stockholder, officer, manager, agent, or

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- representative of a corporation engaged in the retail sale of cannabis, an Early Applicant 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.
- (j) A transporting organization agent must keep his or her identification card visible at all times when on the property of а cannabis business establishment and during transporting of cannabis when acting under his or her duties as a transportation organization agent. During these times, the transporting organization agent must also provide the identification card upon request of any law enforcement officer engaged in his or her official duties.
- (k) A copy of the transporting organization's registration and a manifest for the delivery shall be present in any vehicle transporting cannabis.
- (1) Cannabis shall be transported so it is not visible or recognizable from outside the vehicle.
- (m) A vehicle transporting cannabis must not bear any markings to indicate the vehicle contains cannabis or bear the name or logo of the cannabis business establishment.
- (n) Cannabis must be transported in an enclosed, locked storage compartment that is secured or affixed to the vehicle.
 - (o) The Department of Agriculture may, by rule, impose any other requirements or prohibitions on the transportation of

- 1 cannabis.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 2
- 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff. 3
- 4 5-13-22.)
- 5 (410 ILCS 705/40-31 new)
- 6 Sec. 40-31. Transporter transfer site.
- 7 (a) Transporting organizations may, but are not required
- 8 to, operate a transfer site.
- 9 (b) Plans for a transfer site must be submitted and
- approved by the Department through an application for 10
- 11 modification of the license.
- 12 (c) A transfer site shall be an enclosed facility such as a
- 13 garage or loading bay with physical walls and ceiling and
- 14 large enough to fit 2 vehicles.
- (d) All transfers of cannabis product at a transporter 15
- physical location shall be documented in the cannabis plant 16
- monitoring system. 17
- 18 (e) A transfer site shall be a separate facility from
- 19 other cannabis business establishments. A transfer site may be
- 20 adjacent to another cannabis business establishment.
- 21 (f) Transporter physical locations shall be equipped with
- cameras and be required to operate and maintain in good 22
- working order a 24-hour 7-days a week closed circuit 23
- 24 television surveillance system. The electronic security system
- 25 shall be available 24 hours per day 7 days per week to the

- 1 Department and the Illinois State Police via a secure
- web-based portal with forward and backward playback abilities. 2
- (g) The Department may by rule establish standards and 3
- 4 requirements for the storage of cannabis product. Transporters
- 5 are not permitted to store cannabis products at a transfer
- site until authorized by rule. 6
- (h) The Department and the Department of Financial and 7
- Professional Regulation may develop and implement an 8
- 9 integrated system to issue an agent identification card that
- 10 identifies a transporter agent licensed by the Department as
- 11 well as any cultivation center, craft grower, dispensary,
- infuser, or community college program, or registration the 12
- 13 agent may simultaneously hold.
- 14 (410 ILCS 705/45-5)
- 15 Sec. 45-5. License suspension; revocation; other
- 16 penalties.
- (a) Notwithstanding any other criminal penalties related 17
- to the unlawful possession of cannabis, the Department of 18
- 19 Financial and Professional Regulation and the Department of
- Agriculture may revoke, suspend, place on probation, 20
- 21 reprimand, issue cease and desist orders, refuse to issue or
- 22 license, or take any other disciplinary or renew a
- 23 nondisciplinary action as each department may deem proper with
- 24 regard to a cannabis business establishment or cannabis
- 25 business establishment agent, including fines not to exceed:

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- (2) \$20,000 for each violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act by a dispensing organization or dispensing organization agent;
- (3) \$15,000 for each violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act by a craft grower or craft grower agent;
- (4) \$10,000 for each violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act by an infuser organization or infuser organization agent; and
- (5) \$10,000 for each violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act by a transporting organization or transporting organization agent.

(6) \$15,000 for each violation of this Act or rules adopted under this Act by a cannabis testing facility.

- The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and the Department of Agriculture, as the case may be, shall consider licensee cooperation in any agency or other investigation in its determination of penalties imposed under this Section.
- (c) The procedures for disciplining a cannabis business establishment or cannabis business establishment agent and for administrative hearings shall be determined by rule, and shall provide for the review of final decisions under the

- 1 Administrative Review Law.
- (d) The Attorney General may also enforce a violation of 2
- Section 55-20, Section 55-21, and Section 15-155 as an 3
- 4 unlawful practice under the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive
- 5 Business Practices Act.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.) 6
- 7 (410 ILCS 705/50-5)
- 8 Sec. 50-5. Laboratory testing.
- 9 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
- 10 following acts, when performed by a cannabis testing facility
- with a current, valid license registration, or a person 21 11
- 12 years of age or older who is acting in his or her capacity as
- 13 an owner, employee, or agent of a cannabis testing facility,
- 14 are not unlawful and shall not be an offense under Illinois law
- 15 or be a basis for seizure or forfeiture of assets under
- Illinois law: 16
- 17 (1) possessing, repackaging, transporting, storing, or
- displaying cannabis or cannabis-infused products; 18
- 19 (2)receiving or transporting cannabis or
- 2.0 cannabis-infused products from a cannabis
- 21 establishment, a community college licensed under the
- 22 Community College Cannabis Vocational Training Pilot
- 23 Program, or a person 21 years of age or older; and
- 24 returning or transporting cannabis
- 25 cannabis-infused products to a cannabis business

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- (b)(1) No laboratory shall handle, test, or analyze cannabis unless approved by the Department of Agriculture in accordance with this Section.
- (2) No laboratory shall be approved to handle, test, or analyze cannabis unless the laboratory:

(A) is licensed by the Department of Agriculture;

- accredited by a private (A-5)is laboratory accrediting organization;
- (B) is independent from all other persons involved in the cannabis industry in Illinois and no person with a direct or indirect interest in the laboratory has a direct or indirect financial, management, or other interest in an Illinois cultivation center, craft grower, dispensary, infuser, transporter, certifying physician, or any other entity in the State that may benefit from the production, manufacture, dispensing, sale, purchase, or use of cannabis; and
- (C) has employed at least one person to oversee and be responsible for the laboratory testing who has earned, from a college or university accredited by a national or regional certifying authority, at least:
 - (i) a master's level degree in chemical or biological sciences and a minimum of 2 years'

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- 2 (ii) a bachelor's degree in chemical or biological 3 sciences and a minimum of 4 years' post-degree 4 laboratory experience.
 - (3) Each independent testing laboratory that claims to be accredited must provide the Department of Agriculture with a copy of the most recent annual inspection report granting accreditation and every annual report thereafter.
 - (c) Immediately before manufacturing or natural processing of any cannabis or cannabis-infused product or packaging cannabis for sale to a dispensary, each batch shall be made available by the cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser for an employee of an approved laboratory to select a random sample, which shall be tested by the approved laboratory for:
 - (1) microbiological contaminants;
- 16 (2) mycotoxins;
- 17 (3) pesticide active ingredients;
- 18 (4) residual solvent; and
- 19 (5) an active ingredient analysis.
 - (d) The Department of Agriculture may select a random sample that shall, for the purposes of conducting an active ingredient analysis, be tested by the Department of Agriculture for verification of label information and any other testing deemed necessary by the Department.
- 25 (e) A laboratory shall immediately return or dispose of 26 any cannabis upon the completion of any testing, use, or

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- 1 research. If cannabis is disposed of, it shall be done in compliance with Department of Agriculture rule. 2
 - (f) Ιf a sample of cannabis does not pass microbiological, mycotoxin, pesticide chemical residue, or solvent residue test, based on the standards established by the Department of Agriculture, the following shall apply:
 - the sample failed the pesticide chemical Ιf residue test, the entire batch from which the sample was taken shall, if applicable, be recalled as provided by rule.
 - (2) If the sample failed any other test, the batch may be used to make a CO_2 -based or solvent based extract. After processing, the CO_2 -based or solvent based extract must still pass all required tests.
 - Department of Agriculture shall establish standards for microbial, mycotoxin, pesticide residue, solvent residue, or other standards for the presence of possible contaminants, in addition to labeling requirements for contents and potency.
 - (h) The laboratory shall file with the Department of Agriculture an electronic copy of each laboratory test result for any batch that does not pass the microbiological, mycotoxin, or pesticide chemical residue test, at the same time that it transmits those results to the cultivation center. In addition, the laboratory shall maintain the laboratory test results for at least 5 years and make them

- 1 available at the Department of Agriculture's request.
- 2 (i) A cultivation center, craft grower, and infuser shall
- provide to a dispensing organization the laboratory test 3
- 4 results for each batch of cannabis product purchased by the
- 5 dispensing organization, if sampled. Each dispensing
- 6 organization must have those laboratory results available upon
- 7 request to purchasers.
- 8 (j) The Department of Agriculture may adopt rules related
- 9 to testing and licensing of laboratories in furtherance of
- 10 this Act.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.) 11
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/55-5)
- Sec. 55-5. Preparation of cannabis-infused products. 13
- 14 The Department of Agriculture may regulate the
- 15 production of cannabis-infused products by a cultivation
- center, a craft grower, an infuser organization, or a 16
- 17 dispensing organization and establish rules related to
- 18 refrigeration, hot-holding, and handling of cannabis-infused
- 19 products. All cannabis-infused products shall meet the
- packaging and labeling requirements contained in Section 20
- 55-21. 21
- (b) Cannabis-infused products for sale or distribution at 22
- a dispensing organization must be prepared by an approved 23
- 24 agent of a cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser
- 25 organization.

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(c) A cultivation center, craft grower, or infuser organization that prepares cannabis-infused products for sale or distribution by a dispensing organization shall be under the operational supervision of a Department of Public Health certified food service sanitation manager.

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- (d) Dispensing organizations may not manufacture, process,
 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

- 1 health hazard, it may bring an action for immediate injunctive
- 2 relief to require that action be taken as the court may deem
- necessary to meet the hazard of the cultivation facility or 3
- 4 seek other relief as provided by rule.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- (410 ILCS 705/55-10) 6
- 7 Sec. 55-10. Maintenance of inventory. Through June 30,
- 8 2026, all All dispensing organizations authorized to serve
- both registered qualifying patients, and caregivers, and 9
- 10 purchasers, and Opioid Alternative Patient Program
- 11 participants are required to report which cannabis and
- 12 cannabis-infused products are purchased for sale under the
- 13 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, and which
- 14 cannabis and cannabis-infused products are purchased under
- 15 this Act. Nothing in this Section prohibits a registered
- qualifying patient under the Compassionate Use of Medical 16
- Cannabis Program Act from purchasing cannabis as a purchaser 17
- under this Act. 18
- 19 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)
- 20 (410 ILCS 705/55-30)
- 21 Sec. 55-30. Confidentiality.
- 22 Information provided by the cannabis business
- 23 establishment licensees or applicants to the Department of
- 24 Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, the Department

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1 of Financial and Professional Regulation, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, or other agency shall be 2 3 limited to information necessary for the purposes 4 administering this Act. The information is subject to the 5 provisions and limitations contained in the Freedom of 6 Information Act and may be disclosed in accordance with

(b) The following information received and records kept by the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, the Illinois State Police, and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation for purposes of administering this Article are subject to all applicable federal privacy laws, are confidential and exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, except as provided in this Act, and not subject to disclosure to any individual or public or private entity, except to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the Office of Executive Inspector General, and the Illinois State Police as necessary to perform official duties under this Article and to the Attorney General as necessary to enforce the provisions of this Act, and except as necessary to those involved in enforcing the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. The following information received and kept by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation or the

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- 1 Department of Agriculture may be disclosed to the Department
- Public Health, the Department of 2 Agriculture, the
- 3 Department of Revenue, the Department of Commerce and Economic
- 4 Opportunity, the Department of Revenue, the Illinois State
- 5 Police, the Office of Executive Inspector General, or the
- Attorney General upon proper request: 6
 - (1) Applications and renewals, their contents, and supporting information submitted by or on behalf of dispensing organizations, cannabis business establishments, or Community College Cannabis Vocational Program licensees, in compliance with this Article, including their physical addresses; however, this does not preclude the release of ownership information about cannabis business establishment licenses, or information submitted with an application required to be disclosed pursuant to subsection (f);
 - (2) Any plans, procedures, policies, or other records relating to cannabis business establishment security; and
- 19 (3) Information otherwise exempt from disclosure by 20 State or federal law.
 - Illinois or national criminal history record information, or the nonexistence or lack of such information, may not be disclosed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation or the Department of Agriculture, except as necessary to the Attorney General to enforce this Act.
- 26 (c) The name and address of a dispensing organization

- 1 licensed under this Act shall be subject to disclosure under
- the Freedom of Information Act. The name and cannabis business 2
- establishment address of the person or entity holding each 3
- 4 cannabis business establishment license shall be subject to
- 5 disclosure.
- (d) All information collected by the Department of 6 Financial and Professional Regulation or the Department of 7 Agriculture in the course of an examination, inspection, or 8 9 investigation of a licensee or applicant, including, but not 10 limited to, any complaint against a licensee or applicant 11 filed with the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation or the Department of Agriculture and information 12 13 collected to investigate any such complaint, 14 maintained for the confidential use of the Department of 15 Financial and Professional Regulation or the Department of 16 Agriculture and shall not be disclosed, except to those involved in enforcing the State Officials and Employees Ethics 17 Act and as otherwise provided in this Act. A formal complaint 18 19 against a licensee by the Department of Financial and 20 Professional Regulation or the Department of Agriculture or any disciplinary order issued by the Department of Financial 2.1 22 and Professional Regulation or the Department of Agriculture 23 against a licensee or applicant shall be a public record, 24 except as otherwise provided by law. Complaints from consumers 25 or members of the general public received regarding a 26 specific, named licensee or complaints regarding conduct by

- 1 unlicensed entities shall be subject to disclosure under the
- Freedom of Information Act. 2
- The Department of Agriculture, the Illinois State 3
- 4 Police, and the Department of Financial and Professional
- 5 Regulation shall not share or disclose any Illinois or
- 6 national criminal history record information,
- nonexistence or lack of such information, to any person or 7
- 8 entity not expressly authorized by this Act.
- 9 (f) Each Department responsible for licensure under this
- 10 Act shall publish on the Department's website a list of the
- 11 ownership information of cannabis business establishment
- licensees under the Department's jurisdiction. The list shall 12
- 13 include, but is not limited to: the name of the person or
- entity holding each cannabis business establishment license; 14
- 15 and the address at which the entity is operating under this
- 16 Act. This list shall be published and updated monthly.
- (g) Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the 17
- contrary, the Department of Financial and Professional 18
- 19 Regulation and the Department of Agriculture may share with
- 20 the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity any
- 21 licensee information necessary to support the administration
- 22 of social equity programming.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19; 23
- 24 102-98, eff. 7-15-21; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-813, eff.
- 25 5-13-22.)

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- Sec. 55-65. Financial institutions. 2
 - (a) A financial institution that provides financial services customarily provided by financial institutions to a cannabis business establishment authorized under this Act or the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or to a person that is affiliated with such cannabis business establishment, is exempt from any criminal law of this State as it relates to cannabis-related conduct authorized under State law.
 - (b) Upon request of a financial institution, a cannabis business establishment or proposed cannabis business establishment may provide to the financial institution the following information:
 - (1) Whether a cannabis business establishment with which the financial institution is doing or is considering doing business holds a license under this Act or the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act;
 - (2) The name of any other business or individual affiliate with the cannabis business establishment;
 - (3) A copy of the application, and any supporting documentation submitted with the application, license or a permit submitted on behalf of the proposed cannabis business establishment;
 - (4) If applicable, data relating to sales and the of product sold by the cannabis business volume

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- (5) Any past or pending violation by the person of this Act, the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or the rules adopted under these Acts where applicable; and
- (6) Any penalty imposed upon the person for violating this Act, the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, or the rules adopted under these Acts.
- (c) (Blank).
- 10 (d) (Blank).
 - (e) Information received by a financial institution under this Section is confidential. Except as otherwise required or permitted by this Act, State law or rule, or federal law or regulation, a financial institution may not make information available to any person other than:
 - (1) the customer to whom the information applies;
 - trustee, conservator, quardian, personal (2)representative, or agent of the customer to whom the information applies; a federal or State regulator when requested in connection with an examination of financial institution or if otherwise necessary for complying with federal or State law;
 - (3) a federal or State regulator when requested in examination of connection with an the financial institution or if otherwise necessary for complying with federal or State law; and

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- (4) a third party performing services for the financial institution, provided the third party is performing such services under a written agreement that expressly or by operation of law prohibits the third party's sharing and use of such confidential information for any purpose other than as provided in its agreement to provide services to the financial institution; and $\overline{\cdot}$
- 8 (5) the Office of Executive Inspector General pursuant 9 to an investigation under the State Officials and 10 Employees Ethics Act.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.) 11
- 12 (410 ILCS 705/55-85)
- Sec. 55-85. Medical cannabis. 13
- 14 (a) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit any 15 privileges or rights of a qualifying medical cannabis patient 16 including minor patients, designated primary caregiver, medical cannabis cultivation center, provisional patient and 17 18 Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant or medical 19 cannabis dispensing organization under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act, and where there is conflict 20 21 between this Act and the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 22 Program Act as they relate to medical cannabis patients, the 23 Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act shall 24 prevail.
 - (b) Dispensary locations that obtain an Early Approval

- 1 Adult Use Dispensary Organization License or an Adult Use Dispensary Organization License in accordance with this Act at 2 the same location as a medical cannabis dispensing 3 4 organization registered under the Compassionate Use of Medical 5 Cannabis Program Act shall maintain an inventory of medical cannabis and medical cannabis products on a monthly basis that 6 is substantially similar in variety and quantity to the 7 8 products offered at the dispensary during the 6 month period
- (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.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)

immediately before the effective date of this Act.

15 (410 ILCS 705/60-5)

- 16 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, 2026, it does not
 include cannabis that is subject to tax under the
- 20 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, 2026, "cultivation
- 25 <u>center" includes any cultivation center which, prior to July</u>

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- 1 1, 2026, was a cultivation center as defined in the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. 2
- "Cultivator" or "taxpayer" means a cultivation center or 3 4 craft grower who is subject to tax under this Article. On and 5 after July 1, 2026, "cultivator" includes any cultivator which, prior to July 1, 2026, was a cultivator as defined under 6 the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. 7
- 8 "Department" means the Department of Revenue.
- 9 "Director" means the Director of Revenue.
- 10 "Dispensing organization" or "dispensary" has the meaning 11 given to that term in Article 1 of this Act.
- "Gross receipts" from the sales of cannabis by a 12 13 cultivator means the total selling price or the amount of such 14 sales, as defined in this Article. In the case of charges and 15 time sales, the amount thereof shall be included only when 16 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.
- "Infuser" means "infuser organization" or "infuser" as 22 defined in Article 1 of this Act. 23
- "Selling price" or "amount of sale" means 24 the 25 consideration for a sale valued in money whether received in 26 money or otherwise, including cash, credits, property, and

- 1 services, and shall be determined without any deduction on
- account of the cost of the property sold, the cost of materials 2
- used, labor or service cost, or any other expense whatsoever, 3
- 4 but does not include separately stated charges identified on
- 5 the invoice by cultivators to reimburse themselves for their
- tax liability under this Article. 6
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.) 7
- 8 (410 ILCS 705/60-10)

- 9 Sec. 60-10. Tax imposed.
- 10 (a) Beginning September 1, 2019, a tax is imposed upon the privilege of cultivating cannabis at the rate of 7% of the 11 12 gross receipts from the first sale of cannabis by a 13 cultivator. The sale of any product that contains any amount 14 of cannabis or any derivative thereof is subject to the tax 15 under this Section on the full selling price of the product. The Department may determine the selling price of the cannabis 16 17 when the seller and purchaser are affiliated persons, when the 18 sale and purchase of cannabis is not an arm's length 19 transaction, or when cannabis is transferred by a craft grower to the craft grower's dispensing organization or infuser or 20 21 processing organization and a value is not established for the 22 cannabis. The value determined by the Department shall be commensurate with the actual price received for products of 23 24 like quality, character, and use in the area. If there are no

sales of cannabis of like quality, character, and use in the

- 1 same area, then the Department shall establish a reasonable
- 2 value based on sales of products of like quality, character,
- 3 and use in other areas of the State, taking into consideration
- 4 any other relevant factors.
- 5 (b) The Cannabis Cultivation Privilege Tax imposed under
- 6 this Article is solely the responsibility of the cultivator
- 7 who makes the first sale and is not the responsibility of a
- 8 subsequent purchaser, a dispensing organization, or an
- 9 infuser. Persons subject to the tax imposed under this Article
- 10 may, however, reimburse themselves for their tax liability
- 11 hereunder by separately stating reimbursement for their tax
- 12 liability as an additional charge.
- 13 (c) The tax imposed under this Article shall be in
- 14 addition to all other occupation, privilege, or excise taxes
- imposed by the State of Illinois or by any unit of local
- 16 government.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 18 (410 ILCS 705/65-5)
- 19 Sec. 65-5. Definitions. In this Article:
- 20 "Adjusted delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol level" means, for a
- 21 delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol dominant product, the sum of the
- 22 percentage of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol plus .877
- 23 multiplied by the percentage of tetrahydrocannabinolic acid.
- "Cannabis" has the meaning given to that term in Article 1
- of this Act, except that through June 30, 2026, it does not

- 1 include cannabis that is subject to tax under the
- Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act. 2
- 3 "Cannabis-infused product" means beverage food, oils,
- 4 ointments, tincture, topical formulation, or another product
- 5 containing cannabis that is not intended to be smoked.
- 6 "Cannabis retailer" means a dispensing organization that
- sells cannabis for use and not for resale. 7
- 8 "Craft grower" has the meaning given to that term in
- 9 Article 1 of this Act.
- 10 "Department" means the Department of Revenue.
- "Director" means the Director of Revenue. 11
- "Dispensing organization" or "dispensary" has the meaning 12
- 13 given to that term in Article 1 of this Act.
- "Person" means a natural individual, firm, partnership, 14
- 15 association, joint stock company, joint adventure, public or
- 16 private corporation, limited liability company, or a receiver,
- executor, trustee, guardian, or other representative appointed 17
- 18 by order of any court.
- "Infuser organization" or "infuser" means a facility 19
- 20 operated by an organization or business that is licensed by
- 2.1 the Department of Agriculture to directly incorporate cannabis
- 22 or cannabis concentrate into a product formulation to produce
- 23 a cannabis-infused product.
- 24 "Purchase price" means the consideration paid for a
- 25 purchase of cannabis, valued in money, whether received in
- 26 money or otherwise, including cash, gift cards, credits, and

- 1 property and shall be determined without any deduction on
- account of the cost of materials used, labor or service costs, 2
- or any other expense whatsoever. However, "purchase price" 3
- 4 does not include consideration paid for:
- 5 (1) any charge for a payment that is not honored by a
- financial institution; 6

- (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 9 10 charges made under the tax imposed by this Article, the
- 11 Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax Law, the
- County Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax Law, 12 the
- Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act, 13
- 14 Service Occupation Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, or
- 15 any locally imposed occupation or use tax.
- 16 "Purchaser" means a person who acquires cannabis for a
- valuable consideration. 17
- "Qualifying patient" or "qualified patient" means a person 18
- who has been diagnosed by a certifying health care 19
- 20 professional as having a debilitating medical condition as
- defined under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis 21
- 22 Program Act.
- "Taxpayer" means a cannabis retailer who is required to 23
- 24 collect the tax imposed under this Article.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.)

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- Sec. 65-10. Tax imposed. 2
- (a) Beginning January 1, 2020, a tax is imposed upon 3 4 purchasers for the privilege of using cannabis, and not for 5 the purpose of resale, at the following rates:
 - (1) Any cannabis, other than a cannabis-infused product, with an adjusted delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol level at or below 35% shall be taxed at a rate of 10% of the purchase price;
 - 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, 2026, the $\frac{\text{The}}{\text{The}}$ 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 the transaction may not, under the Constitution and statutes of the United States, be made the subject of taxation by this

- 1 State. Beginning July 1, 2026, the tax imposed under this
- Article shall not be imposed on cannabis or cannabis-infused 2
- products purchased by a qualified patient, designated 3
- 4 caregiver, Opioid Alternative Patient Program participant, or
- 5 provisional patient when purchasing cannabis or
- 6 cannabis-infused products under this Act as part of their
- adequate medical supply as these terms are defined under 7
- 8 Section 1-10 of this Act.
- 9 The tax imposed under this Article shall be in
- 10 addition to all other occupation, privilege, or excise taxes
- 11 imposed by the State of Illinois or by any municipal
- corporation or political subdivision thereof. 12
- 13 The tax imposed under this Article shall not be
- 14 imposed on any purchase by a purchaser if the cannabis
- 15 retailer is prohibited by federal or State Constitution,
- 16 treaty, convention, statute, or court decision from collecting
- 17 the tax from the purchaser.
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19; 101-593, eff. 12-4-19.) 18
- 19 (410 ILCS 705/65-30)
- Sec. 65-30. Return and payment of tax by cannabis 2.0
- 21 retailer. Each cannabis retailer that is required or
- 22 authorized to collect the tax imposed by this Article shall
- 23 make a return to the Department, by electronic means, on or
- 24 before the 20th day of each month for the preceding calendar
- 25 month stating the following:

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- (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 is 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
- (6) any other information as the Department may 11 12 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 paving 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.

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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

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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 accordance with reasonable rules prescribed by the Department. If the Department subsequently determines that all or any part

1 of the credit taken was not actually due to the taxpayer, the taxpayer's discount shall be reduced, if necessary, to reflect 2 3 the difference between the credit taken and that actually due, 4 and that taxpayer shall be liable for penalties and interest 5 on the difference. If a cannabis retailer fails to sign a return within 30 days after the proper notice and demand for 6 signature by the Department is received by the cannabis 7 8 retailer, the return shall be considered valid and any amount 9 shown to be due on the return shall be deemed assessed.

- 10 (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.)
- 11 (410 ILCS 705/65-38)

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- 12 Sec. 65-38. Violations and penalties.
- 13 (a) When the amount due is under \$300, any retailer of 14 cannabis who fails to file a return, willfully fails or 15 refuses to make any payment to the Department of the tax imposed by this Article, or files a fraudulent return, or any 16 17 officer or agent of a corporation engaged in the business of selling cannabis to purchasers located in this State who signs 18 19 a fraudulent return filed on behalf of the corporation, or any 20 accountant or other agent who knowingly enters false 21 information on the return of any taxpayer under this Article 22 is guilty of a Class 4 felony.
 - (b) When the amount due is \$300 or more, any retailer of cannabis who <u>fails to file a return</u>, <u>willfully fails or</u> refuses to make any payment to the Department of the tax

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- imposed by this Article, 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 knowingly enters false information on the return of 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 quilty 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

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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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- (q) 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 quilty 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 quilty 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

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- 1 but less than \$10,000, a person is quilty of a Class 3 felonv. 2
 - (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 felonv.
- (4) When the amount of tax, the assessment or payment 7 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 quilty 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, not limited to, transaction data including, but 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.

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"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

- 1 place of business is located unless he or she asserts a right
- to be tried in another venue.
- (k) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (h), a 3
- 4 prosecution for a violation described in this Section may be
- 5 commenced within 3 years after the commission of the act
- constituting the violation. 6
- (Source: P.A. 101-27, eff. 6-25-19.) 7
- 8 (410 ILCS 705/65-42)
- 9 Sec. 65-42. Seizure and forfeiture. After seizing any
- 10 cannabis as provided in Section 65-41, the Department must
- hold a hearing and determine whether (i) the retailer was 11
- 12 properly registered to sell the cannabis; (ii) the retailer
- 13 possessed the cannabis in violation of this Act; (iii) the
- 14 retailer possessed the cannabis in violation of any reasonable
- 15 rule or regulation adopted by the Department for the
- enforcement of this Act; or (iv) the tax imposed by Article 60 16
- had been paid on the cannabis at the time of its seizure by the 17
- Department. The Department is not required to hold such a 18
- 19 hearing if a waiver and consent to forfeiture has been
- executed by the owner of the cannabis, if the owner is known, 20
- 21 and by the person in whose possession the cannabis so taken was
- 22 found, if that person is known and if that person is not the
- 23 owner of said cannabis. The Department shall give not less
- 24 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 25

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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.

(Source: P.A. 103-1001, eff. 8-9-24.)

- (410 ILCS 705/20-50 rep.) 1
- (410 ILCS 705/30-50 rep.)
- 3 Section 55. The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act is amended
- by repealing Sections 20-50 and 30-50. 4
- Section 60. The Tobacco Accessories and Smoking Herbs 5
- 6 Control Act is amended by changing Section 2 as follows:
- 7 (720 ILCS 685/2) (from Ch. 23, par. 2358-2)
- Sec. 2. Purpose. The sale and possession of marijuana, 8
- hashish, cocaine, opium, and their derivatives, is not only 9
- 10 prohibited by Illinois Law, but the use of these substances
- 11 has been deemed injurious to the health of the user.
- 12 It has further been determined by the Surgeon General of
- 13 the United States that the use of tobacco is hazardous to human
- 14 health.
- 15 The ready availability of smoking herbs to persons under
- 16 21 years of age could lead to the use of tobacco and illegal
- 17 drugs.
- It is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of 18
- 19 Illinois to seek to prohibit the spread of illegal drugs,
- 20 tobacco or smoking materials to persons under 21 years of age.
- The prohibition of the sale of tobacco and snuff accessories 21
- 2.2 and smoking herbs to persons under 21 years of age would help
- 23 to curb the usage of illegal drugs and tobacco products, among

- 1 our youth.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 101-2, eff. 7-1-19.)
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 3
- becoming law.". 4