

# SENATE BILL 179

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SB 97/19 – JPR

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CF HB 1582

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By: **Senators Hough, Ready, and Smith**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Firearms – Right to Purchase, Possess, and Carry – Use of Medical Cannabis**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that a person may not be denied the right to purchase,  
4 possess, or carry a firearm solely on the basis that the person is authorized to use  
5 medical cannabis; and generally relating to firearms.

6 BY adding to

7 Article – Public Safety

8 Section 5–701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Miscellaneous”

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
12 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article – Public Safety**

14 **SUBTITLE 7. MISCELLANEOUS.**

15 **5–701.**

16 **A PERSON MAY NOT BE DENIED THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE, POSSESS, OR CARRY**  
17 **A FIREARM UNDER THIS TITLE SOLELY ON THE BASIS THAT THE PERSON IS**  
18 **AUTHORIZED TO USE MEDICAL CANNABIS UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 33 OF THE**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 **HEALTH – GENERAL ARTICLE.**

2           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
3 October 1, 2020.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.