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relating to cannabis; including the Office of Cannabis Management as an agency 12 for the purpose of having a government-to-government relationship with Tribal 1.3 governments; modifying medical cannabis provisions; modifying provisions 1.4 regarding the sale of cannabinoids derived from hemp; modifying the limits of 1.5 certain cannabinoids in lower-potency hemp edibles; establishing a license and 1.6 fee for lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers; providing for delivery of 1.7 lower-potency hemp edibles; regulating certain products intended for export; 1.8 modifying regulations on the transportation of cannabis and hemp; providing for 1.9 cannabis testing facility accreditation; modifying labeling requirements; modifying 1.10 cannabis license qualifications and application requirements; authorizing 1.11 municipalities to hold cannabis and hemp licenses; allowing samples at cannabis 1.12 events; modifying expungement and resentencing provisions for felony cannabis 1.13 offenses; requiring a proposal to the legislature; making technical and conforming 1.14 changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10.65, subdivision 2; 151.72, 1.15 subdivisions 3, 5a; 152.22, subdivisions 4, 7, 10, 13; 152.24; 152.25; 152.26; 1.16 152.261; 152.27, subdivisions 2, 7; 152.28, subdivisions 1, 3; 152.29, subdivisions 1.17 1, 2, 3a, 4; 152.31; 152.32, subdivision 2; 152.33, subdivisions 1a, 4; 152.35; 1.18 152.37; 342.01, subdivisions 9, 34, 47, 48, 50, 71, by adding subdivisions; 342.02, 1.19 subdivision 3; 342.09, subdivision 2; 342.10; 342.11; 342.12; 342.13; 342.14, 1.20 subdivisions 1, 3, 6; 342.151, subdivisions 2, 3; 342.16; 342.17; 342.18, subdivision 1.21 2; 342.22, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 342.28, subdivisions 1, 8; 342.29, 1.22 subdivisions 1, 7; 342.30, subdivision 1; 342.32, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 342.33, 1.23 subdivision 1; 342.34, subdivision 5; 342.36, subdivision 6; 342.37, subdivision 1.24 2, by adding subdivisions; 342.39, subdivision 3; 342.40, subdivision 7, by adding 1.25 a subdivision; 342.43, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 342.44, 1.26 subdivision 1; 342.45, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 342.46, subdivisions 1.27 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, by adding subdivisions; 342.51, subdivision 2, by adding a 1.28 subdivision; 342.515, subdivisions 1, 7; 342.52, subdivision 9, by adding a 1.29 subdivision; 342.56, subdivision 2; 342.57; 342.59, subdivision 2; 342.61, 1.30 subdivision 4; 342.62, subdivision 2; 342.63, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6; 342.66, 1.31 subdivision 6; 609A.06, subdivisions 3, 7, 10, 12; proposing coding for new law 1.32 in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 342; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 1.33 152.22, subdivision 2; 342.151, subdivision 1; 342.36, subdivision 5. 1.34

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

2.2 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10.65, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
2.3 Subd. 2. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings
2.4 given:

(1) "agency" means the Department of Administration; Department of Agriculture; 2.5 Department of Children, Youth, and Families; Department of Commerce; Department of 2.6 Corrections; Department of Education; Department of Employment and Economic 2.7 Development; Department of Health; Office of Higher Education; Housing Finance Agency; 2.8 Department of Human Rights; Department of Human Services; Department of Information 2.9 Technology Services; Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation; Department 2.10 of Labor and Industry; Minnesota Management and Budget; Bureau of Mediation Services; 2.11 Department of Military Affairs; Metropolitan Council; Department of Natural Resources; 2.12 Pollution Control Agency; Department of Public Safety; Department of Revenue; Department 2.13 of Transportation; Department of Veterans Affairs; Direct Care and Treatment; Gambling 2.14 Control Board; Racing Commission; the Minnesota Lottery; the Animal Health Board; the 2.15 2.16 Public Utilities Commission; and the Board of Water and Soil Resources; and the Office of Cannabis Management; 2.17

(2) "consultation" means the direct and interactive involvement of the Minnesota Tribal 2.18 governments in the development of policy on matters that have Tribal implications. 2.19 Consultation is the proactive, affirmative process of identifying and seeking input from 2.20 appropriate Tribal governments and considering their interest as a necessary and integral 2.21 part of the decision-making process. This definition adds to statutorily mandated notification 2.22 procedures. During a consultation, the burden is on the agency to show that it has made a 2.23 good faith effort to elicit feedback. Consultation is a formal engagement between agency 2.24 officials and the governing body or bodies of an individual Minnesota Tribal government 2.25 that the agency or an individual Tribal government may initiate. Formal meetings or 2.26 communication between top agency officials and the governing body of a Minnesota Tribal 2.27 2.28 government is a necessary element of consultation;

- (3) "matters that have Tribal implications" means rules, legislative proposals, policy
 statements, or other actions that have substantial direct effects on one or more Minnesota
 Tribal governments, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the state
 and Minnesota Tribal governments;
- 2.33 (4) "Minnesota Tribal governments" means the federally recognized Indian Tribes located
 2.34 in Minnesota including: Bois Forte Band; Fond Du Lac Band; Grand Portage Band; Leech

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- 3.1 Lake Band; Mille Lacs Band; White Earth Band; Red Lake Nation; Lower Sioux Indian
 3.2 Community; Prairie Island Indian Community; Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community;
 3.3 and Upper Sioux Community; and
- 3.4 (5) "timely and meaningful" means done or occurring at a favorable or useful time that
 3.5 allows the result of consultation to be included in the agency's decision-making process for
 3.6 a matter that has Tribal implications.
- 3.7 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 151.72, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

3.8 Subd. 3. **Sale of cannabinoids derived from hemp.** (a) Notwithstanding any other 3.9 section of this chapter, a product containing nonintoxicating cannabinoids, including an 3.10 edible cannabinoid product, may be sold for human or animal consumption only if all of 3.11 the requirements of this section are met. A product sold for human or animal consumption 3.12 must not contain more than 0.3 percent of any tetrahydrocannabinol and an edible 3.13 cannabinoid product must not contain an amount of any tetrahydrocannabinol that exceeds 3.14 the limits established in subdivision 5a, paragraph (f).

- 3.15 (b) A product containing nonintoxicating cannabinoids, other than an edible cannabinoid
 3.16 product, may be sold for human or animal consumption only if it is intended for application
 3.17 externally to a part of the body of a human or animal. Such a product must not be
 3.18 manufactured, marketed, distributed, or intended to be consumed:
- 3.19 (1) by combustion or vaporization of the product and inhalation of smoke, aerosol, or
 3.20 vapor from the product;
- 3.21 (2) through chewing, drinking, or swallowing; or
- 3.22 (3) through injection or application to <u>nonintact skin or a mucous membrane or nonintact</u>
 3.23 skin, except for products applied sublingually.

3.24 (c) No other substance extracted or otherwise derived from hemp may be sold for human
3.25 consumption if the substance is intended:

- 3.26 (1) for external or internal use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention
 3.27 of disease in humans or other animals; or
- 3.28 (2) to affect the structure or any function of the bodies of humans or other animals.
- 3.29 (d) No product containing any cannabinoid or tetrahydrocannabinol extracted or otherwise
 3.30 derived from hemp may be sold to any individual who is under the age of 21.
- 3.31 (e) Products that meet the requirements of this section are not controlled substances3.32 under section 152.02.

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4.1	(f) Products r	may be sold for on-sit	te consumption if	fall of the following	g conditions are

4.3 (1) the retailer must also hold an on-sale license issued under chapter 340A;

4.4 (2) products, other than products that are intended to be consumed as a beverage, must
4.5 be served in original packaging, but may be removed from the products' packaging by
4.6 customers and consumed on site;

4.7 (3) products must not be sold to a customer who the retailer knows or reasonably should
4.8 know is intoxicated;

4.9 (4) products must not be permitted to be mixed with an alcoholic beverage; and

4.10 (5) products that have been removed from packaging must not be removed from the4.11 premises.

4.12 (g) Edible cannabinoid products that are intended to be consumed as a beverage may be
4.13 served outside of the products' packaging if the information that is required to be contained
4.14 on the label of an edible cannabinoid product is posted or otherwise displayed by the retailer.

4.15 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 151.72, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

4.16 Subd. 5a. Additional requirements for edible cannabinoid products. (a) In addition
4.17 to the testing and labeling requirements under subdivisions 4 and 5, an edible cannabinoid
4.18 must meet the requirements of this subdivision.

4.19 (b) An edible cannabinoid product must not:

4.20 (1) bear the likeness or contain cartoon-like characteristics of a real or fictional person,
4.21 animal, or fruit that appeals to children;

4.22 (2) be modeled after a brand of products primarily consumed by or marketed to children;

4.23 (3) be made by applying an extracted or concentrated hemp-derived cannabinoid to a4.24 commercially available candy or snack food item;

4.25 (4) be substantively similar to a meat food product; poultry food product as defined in
4.26 section 31A.02, subdivision 10; or a dairy product as defined in section 32D.01, subdivision
4.27 7;

4.28 (5) contain an ingredient, other than a hemp-derived cannabinoid, that is not approved4.29 by the United States Food and Drug Administration for use in food;

4.30 (6) be packaged in a way that resembles the trademarked, characteristic, or

4.31 product-specialized packaging of any commercially available food product; or

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(7) be packaged in a container that includes a statement, artwork, or design that could
reasonably mislead any person to believe that the package contains anything other than an
edible cannabinoid product.

(c) An edible cannabinoid product must be prepackaged in packaging or a container that
is child-resistant, tamper-evident, and opaque or placed in packaging or a container that is
child-resistant, tamper-evident, and opaque at the final point of sale to a customer. The
requirement that packaging be child-resistant does not apply to an edible cannabinoid product
that is intended to be consumed as a beverage.

(d) If an edible cannabinoid product, other than a product that is intended to be consumed 5.9 as a beverage, is intended for more than a single use or contains multiple servings, each 5.10 serving must be indicated by scoring, wrapping, or other indicators designating the individual 5.11 serving size that appear on the edible cannabinoid product. If it is not possible to indicate 5.12 a single serving by scoring or use of another indicator that appears on the product, the edible 5.13 cannabinoid product may not be packaged in a manner that includes more than a single 5.14 serving in each container, except that a calibrated dropper, measuring spoon, or similar 5.15 device for measuring a single serving, when sold with the product, may be used for any 5.16 edible cannabinoid products that are intended to be combined with food or beverage products 5.17 prior to consumption. 5.18

(e) A label containing at least the following information must be affixed to the packagingor container of all edible cannabinoid products sold to consumers:

5.21 (1) the serving size;

5.22 (2) the cannabinoid profile per serving and in total;

5.23 (3) a list of ingredients, including identification of any major food allergens declared5.24 by name; and

5.25 (4) the following statement: "Keep this product out of reach of children."

5.26 (f) An edible cannabinoid product that is not intended to be consumed as a beverage

5.27 must not contain more than five milligrams of any tetrahydrocannabinol in a single serving.

5.28 An edible cannabinoid product, other than a product that is intended to be consumed as a

- 5.29 beverage, may and must not contain more than a total of 50 milligrams of any
- 5.30 tetrahydrocannabinol per package. An edible cannabinoid product that is intended to be
- 5.31 consumed as a beverage may not contain more than two servings per container.
- 5.32 (g) An edible cannabinoid product that is intended to be consumed as a beverage must
 5.33 not contain more than ten milligrams of any tetrahydrocannabinol in a single container.

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6.1 (g) (h) An edible cannabinoid product may contain delta-8 tetrahydrocannabinol or
6.2 delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol that is extracted from hemp plants or hemp plant parts or is
6.3 an artificially derived cannabinoid. Edible cannabinoid products are prohibited from
6.4 containing any other artificially derived cannabinoid, including but not limited to THC-P,
6.5 THC-O, and HHC, unless the office authorizes use of the artificially derived cannabinoid
6.6 in edible cannabinoid products. Edible cannabinoid products are prohibited from containing
6.7 synthetic cannabinoids.

6.8 (h)(i) Every person selling edible cannabinoid products to consumers, other than products
6.9 that are intended to be consumed as a beverage, must ensure that all edible cannabinoid
6.10 products are displayed behind a checkout counter where the public is not permitted or in a
6.11 locked case.

6.12 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

6.13 Subd. 4. Health care practitioner. "Health care practitioner" means a Minnesota licensed

6.14 Minnesota-licensed doctor of medicine, a Minnesota-licensed Minnesota-licensed physician

6.15 assistant acting within the scope of authorized practice, or a Minnesota licensed

6.16 <u>Minnesota-licensed</u> advanced practice registered nurse who has <u>an active license in good</u>

6.17 <u>standing and the primary responsibility for the care and treatment of the qualifying medical</u>

6.18 condition of <u>a person</u> an individual diagnosed with a qualifying medical condition.

6.19 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

6.20 Subd. 7. Medical cannabis manufacturer. "Medical cannabis manufacturer" or
6.21 "manufacturer" means an entity registered by the commissioner office to cultivate, acquire,
6.22 manufacture, possess, prepare, transfer, transport, supply, or dispense medical cannabis,
6.23 delivery devices, or related supplies and educational materials.

6.24 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

6.25 Subd. 10. Patient registry number. "Patient registry number" means a unique
6.26 identification number assigned by the commissioner office to a patient enrolled in the registry
6.27 program.

6.28 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.22, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

6.29 Subd. 13. Registry verification. "Registry verification" means the verification provided
6.30 by the commissioner office that a patient is enrolled in the registry program and that includes

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- the patient's name, registry number, and, if applicable, the name of the patient's registered
 designated caregiver or parent, legal guardian, or spouse.
- 7.3 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.24, is amended to read:
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152.24 FEDERALLY APPROVED CLINICAL TRIALS.

7.5 The commissioner office may prohibit enrollment of a patient in the registry program 7.6 if the patient is simultaneously enrolled in a federally approved clinical trial for the treatment 7.7 of a qualifying medical condition with medical cannabis. The commissioner office shall 7.8 provide information to all patients enrolled in the registry program on the existence of 7.9 federally approved clinical trials for the treatment of the patient's qualifying medical condition 7.10 with medical cannabis as an alternative to enrollment in the patient registry program.

7.11 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.25, is amended to read:

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152.25 COMMISSIONER OFFICE DUTIES.

Subdivision 1. Medical cannabis manufacturer registration. (a) The commissioner 7.13 office shall register two in-state manufacturers for the production of all medical cannabis 7.14 7.15 within the state. A registration agreement between the commissioner office and a manufacturer is nontransferable. The commissioner office shall register new manufacturers 7.16 or reregister the existing manufacturers by December 1 every two years, using the factors 7.17 described in this subdivision. The commissioner office shall accept applications after 7.18 December 1, 2014, if one of the manufacturers registered before December 1, 2014, ceases 7.19 to be registered as a manufacturer. The commissioner's office's determination that no 7.20 manufacturer exists to fulfill the duties under sections 152.22 to 152.37 is subject to judicial 7.21 review in Ramsey County District Court. Data submitted during the application process are 7.22 private data on individuals or nonpublic data as defined in section 13.02 until the 7.23 manufacturer is registered under this section. Data on a manufacturer that is registered are 7.24 public data, unless the data are trade secret or security information under section 13.37. 7.25 (b) As a condition for registration, a manufacturer must agree to: 7.26 (1) begin supplying medical cannabis to patients by July 1, 2015; and 7.27 (2) comply with all requirements under sections 152.22 to 152.37. 7.28

(c) The commissioner office shall consider the following factors when determining
which manufacturer to register:

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8.1 (1) the technical expertise of the manufacturer in cultivating medical cannabis and
8.2 converting the medical cannabis into an acceptable delivery method under section 152.22,
8.3 subdivision 6;

8.4 (2) the qualifications of the manufacturer's employees;

8.5 (3) the long-term financial stability of the manufacturer;

8.6 (4) the ability to provide appropriate security measures on the premises of the
8.7 manufacturer;

8.8 (5) whether the manufacturer has demonstrated an ability to meet the medical cannabis
8.9 production needs required by sections 152.22 to 152.37; and

8.10 (6) the manufacturer's projection and ongoing assessment of fees on patients with a8.11 qualifying medical condition.

(d) If an officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer pleads or is found
guilty of intentionally diverting medical cannabis to a person other than allowed by law
under section 152.33, subdivision 1, the commissioner office may decide not to renew the
registration of the manufacturer, provided the violation occurred while the person was an
officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer.

(e) The commissioner office shall require each medical cannabis manufacturer to contract
with an independent laboratory to test medical cannabis produced by the manufacturer. The
commissioner office shall approve the laboratory chosen by each manufacturer and require
that the laboratory report testing results to the manufacturer in a manner determined by the
commissioner office.

8.22 Subd. 1a. **Revocation or nonrenewal of a medical cannabis manufacturer**

registration. If the commissioner office intends to revoke or not renew a registration issued 8.23 under this section, the commissioner office must first notify in writing the manufacturer 8.24 against whom the action is to be taken and provide the manufacturer with an opportunity 8.25 to request a hearing under the contested case provisions of chapter 14. If the manufacturer 8.26 8.27 does not request a hearing by notifying the commissioner office in writing within 20 days after receipt of the notice of proposed action, the commissioner office may proceed with 8.28 the action without a hearing. For revocations, the registration of a manufacturer is considered 8.29 revoked on the date specified in the commissioner's office's written notice of revocation. 8.30

8.31 Subd. 1b. Temporary suspension proceedings. The commissioner office may institute
 8.32 proceedings to temporarily suspend the registration of a medical cannabis manufacturer for

9.1 a period of up to 90 days by notifying the manufacturer in writing if any action by an
9.2 employee, agent, officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer:

9.3 (1) violates any of the requirements of sections 152.22 to 152.37 or the rules adopted
9.4 thereunder;

9.5 (2) permits, aids, or abets the commission of any violation of state law at the
9.6 manufacturer's location for cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, and processing
9.7 or at any site for distribution of medical cannabis;

9.8 (3) performs any act contrary to the welfare of a registered patient or registered designated9.9 caregiver; or

9.10 (4) obtains, or attempts to obtain, a registration by fraudulent means or misrepresentation.

Subd. 1c. Notice to patients. Upon the revocation or nonrenewal of a manufacturer's 9.11 registration under subdivision 1a or implementation of an enforcement action under 9.12 subdivision 1b that may affect the ability of a registered patient, registered designated 9.13 caregiver, or a registered patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse to obtain medical cannabis 9.14 from the manufacturer subject to the enforcement action, the commissioner office shall 9.15 notify in writing each registered patient and the patient's registered designated caregiver or 9.16 registered patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse about the outcome of the proceeding 9.17 and information regarding alternative registered manufacturers. This notice must be provided 9.18 two or more business days prior to the effective date of the revocation, nonrenewal, or other 9.19 enforcement action. 9.20

Subd. 2. Range of compounds and dosages; report. The office shall review and publicly 9.21 report the existing medical and scientific literature regarding the range of recommended 9.22 dosages for each qualifying condition and the range of chemical compositions of any plant 9.23 of the genus cannabis that will likely be medically beneficial for each of the qualifying 9.24 medical conditions. The office shall make this information available to patients with 9.25 qualifying medical conditions beginning December 1, 2014, and update the information 9.26 every three years. The office may consult with the independent laboratory under contract 9.27 with the manufacturer or other experts in reporting the range of recommended dosages for 9.28 each qualifying medical condition, the range of chemical compositions that will likely be 9.29 medically beneficial, and any risks of noncannabis drug interactions. The office shall consult 9.30 with each manufacturer on an annual basis on medical cannabis offered by the manufacturer. 9.31 The list of medical cannabis offered by a manufacturer shall be published on the Office of 9.32 Cannabis Management website. 9.33

Subd. 3. Deadlines. The commissioner office shall adopt rules necessary for the
manufacturer to begin distribution of medical cannabis to patients under the registry program
by July 1, 2015, and have notice of proposed rules published in the State Register prior to
January 1, 2015.

Subd. 4. Reports. (a) The commissioner office shall provide regular updates to the task
force on medical cannabis therapeutic research and to the chairs and ranking minority
members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services,
public safety, judiciary, and civil law Cannabis Advisory Council under section 342.03
regarding: (1) any changes in federal law or regulatory restrictions regarding the use of
medical cannabis or hemp; and (2) the market demand and supply in this state for products
made from hemp that can be used for medicinal purposes.

(b) The commissioner office may submit medical research based on the data collected
under sections 152.22 to 152.37 to any federal agency with regulatory or enforcement
authority over medical cannabis to demonstrate the effectiveness of medical cannabis for
treating a qualifying medical condition.

10.16 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.26, is amended to read:

10.17 **152.26 RULEMAKING.**

(a) The commissioner office may adopt rules to implement sections 152.22 to 152.37.
Rules for which notice is published in the State Register before January 1, 2015, may be
adopted using the process in section 14.389.

(b) The commissioner office may adopt or amend rules, using the procedure in section
14.386, paragraph (a), to implement the addition of dried raw cannabis as an allowable form
of medical cannabis under section 152.22, subdivision 6, paragraph (a), clause (4). Section
14.386, paragraph (b), does not apply to these rules.

10.25 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.261, is amended to read:

10.26 **152.261 RULES; ADVERSE INCIDENTS.**

(a) The commissioner of health office shall adopt rules to establish requirements for
reporting incidents when individuals who are not authorized to possess medical cannabis
under sections 152.22 to 152.37 are found in possession of medical cannabis. The rules
must identify professionals required to report, the information they are required to report,
and actions the reporter must take to secure the medical cannabis.

(b) The commissioner of health office shall adopt rules to establish requirements for law
enforcement officials and health care professionals to report incidents involving an overdose
of medical cannabis to the commissioner of health office.

- (c) Rules must include the method by which the <u>commissioner office</u> will collect and
 tabulate reports of unauthorized possession and overdose.
- 11.6 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.27, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

11.7 Subd. 2. Office duties. (a) The office shall:

(1) give notice of the program to health care practitioners in the state who are eligible
to serve as health care practitioners and explain the purposes and requirements of the
program;

(2) allow each health care practitioner who meets or agrees to meet the program's
requirements and who requests to participate, to be included in the registry program to
collect data for the patient registry;

(3) provide explanatory information and assistance to each health care practitioner in
understanding the nature of therapeutic use of medical cannabis within program requirements;

(4) create and provide a certification to be used by a health care practitioner for the
practitioner to certify whether a patient has been diagnosed with a qualifying medical
condition;

(5) supervise the participation of the health care practitioner in conducting patient
treatment and health records reporting in a manner that ensures stringent security and
record-keeping requirements and that prevents the unauthorized release of private data on
individuals as defined by section 13.02;

(6) develop safety criteria for patients with a qualifying medical condition as a
requirement of the patient's participation in the program, to prevent the patient from
undertaking any task under the influence of medical cannabis that would constitute negligence
or professional malpractice on the part of the patient; and

(7) conduct research and studies based on data from health records submitted to the
registry program and submit reports on intermediate or final research results to the legislature
and major scientific journals. The office may contract with a third party to complete the
requirements of this clause. Any reports submitted must comply with section 152.28,
subdivision 2.

(b) The office may add a delivery method under section 152.22, subdivision 6, upon a 12.1 petition from a member of the public or the Cannabis Advisory Council under section 342.03 12.2 or as directed by law. If the office wishes to add a delivery method under section 152.22, 12.3 subdivision 6, the office must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the 12.4 legislative policy committees having jurisdiction over health and public safety of the addition 12.5 and the reasons for its addition, including any written comments received by the office from 12.6 the public and any guidance received from the Cannabis Advisory Council under section 12.7 342.03, by January 15 of the year in which the office wishes to make the change. The change 12.8 shall be effective on August 1 of that year, unless the legislature by law provides otherwise. 12.9

12.10 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.27, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Notice requirements. Patients and registered designated caregivers shall notify
the commissioner office of any address or name change within 30 days of the change having
occurred. A patient or registered designated caregiver is subject to a \$100 fine for failure
to notify the commissioner office of the change.

12.15 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.28, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

12.16 Subdivision 1. Health care practitioner duties. (a) Prior to a patient's enrollment in12.17 the registry program, a health care practitioner shall:

(1) determine, in the health care practitioner's medical judgment, whether a patient suffers
from a qualifying medical condition, and, if so determined, provide the patient with a
certification of that diagnosis;

(2) advise patients, registered designated caregivers, and parents, legal guardians, or
spouses who are acting as caregivers of the existence of any nonprofit patient support groups
or organizations;

(3) provide explanatory information from the office to patients with qualifying medical
conditions, including disclosure to all patients about the experimental nature of therapeutic
use of medical cannabis; the possible risks, benefits, and side effects of the proposed
treatment; the application and other materials from the office; and provide patients with the
Tennessen warning as required by section 13.04, subdivision 2; and

(4) agree to continue treatment of the patient's qualifying medical condition and reportmedical findings to the office.

(b) Upon notification from the office of the patient's enrollment in the registry program,the health care practitioner shall:

13.1 (1) participate in the patient registry reporting system under the guidance and supervision13.2 of the office;

(2) report health records of the patient throughout the ongoing treatment of the patient
to the office in a manner determined by the <u>commissioner office</u> and in accordance with
subdivision 2;

(3) determine, every three years, if the patient continues to suffer from a qualifying
medical condition and, if so, issue the patient a new certification of that diagnosis; and

13.8 (4) otherwise comply with all requirements developed by the office.

(c) A health care practitioner may utilize telehealth, as defined in section 62A.673,
subdivision 2, for certifications and recertifications.

13.11 (d) Nothing in this section requires a health care practitioner to participate in the registry13.12 program.

13.13 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.28, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

13.14 Subd. 3. Advertising restrictions. (a) A health care practitioner shall not publish or13.15 cause to be published any advertisement that:

(1) contains false or misleading statements about medical cannabis or about the medicalcannabis registry program;

13.18 (2) uses colloquial terms to refer to medical cannabis, such as pot, weed, or grass;

(3) states or implies the health care practitioner is endorsed by the Department of Health
office or by the medical cannabis registry program;

(4) includes images of cannabis in its plant or leaf form or of cannabis-smokingparaphernalia; or

(5) contains medical symbols that could reasonably be confused with symbols ofestablished medical associations or groups.

(b) A health care practitioner found by the commissioner office to have violated this
subdivision is prohibited from certifying that patients have a qualifying medical condition
for purposes of patient participation in the registry program. The commissioner's office's
decision that a health care practitioner has violated this subdivision is a final decision of
the commissioner office and is not subject to the contested case procedures in chapter 14.

14.1 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Manufacturer; requirements. (a) A manufacturer may operate eight 14.2 distribution facilities, which may include the manufacturer's single location for cultivation, 14.3 harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, and processing but is not required to include that 14.4 location. The commissioner office shall designate the geographical service areas to be served 14.5 by each manufacturer based on geographical need throughout the state to improve patient 14.6 access. A manufacturer shall not have more than two distribution facilities in each 14.7 14.8 geographical service area assigned to the manufacturer by the commissioner office. A manufacturer shall operate only one location where all cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, 14.9 packaging, and processing of medical cannabis shall be conducted. This location may be 14.10 one of the manufacturer's distribution facility sites. The additional distribution facilities 14.11 may dispense medical cannabis and medical cannabis products but may not contain any 14.12 medical cannabis in a form other than those forms allowed under section 152.22, subdivision 14.13 6, and the manufacturer shall not conduct any cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, 14.14 packaging, or processing at the other distribution facility sites. Any distribution facility 14.15 operated by the manufacturer is subject to all of the requirements applying to the 14.16 manufacturer under sections 152.22 to 152.37, including, but not limited to, security and 14.17 distribution requirements. 14.18

(b) A manufacturer may acquire hemp grown in this state from a hemp grower, and may
acquire hemp products produced by a hemp processor. A manufacturer may manufacture
or process hemp and hemp products into an allowable form of medical cannabis under
section 152.22, subdivision 6. Hemp and hemp products acquired by a manufacturer under
this paragraph are subject to the same quality control program, security and testing
requirements, and other requirements that apply to medical cannabis under sections 152.22
to 152.37 and Minnesota Rules, chapter 4770.

(c) A medical cannabis manufacturer shall contract with a laboratory approved by the
commissioner office, subject to any additional requirements set by the commissioner office,
for purposes of testing medical cannabis manufactured or hemp or hemp products acquired
by the medical cannabis manufacturer as to content, contamination, and consistency to
verify the medical cannabis meets the requirements of section 152.22, subdivision 6. The
cost of laboratory testing shall be paid by the manufacturer.

14.32 (d) The operating documents of a manufacturer must include:

14.33 (1) procedures for the oversight of the manufacturer and procedures to ensure accurate14.34 record keeping;

(2) procedures for the implementation of appropriate security measures to deter and
prevent the theft of medical cannabis and unauthorized entrance into areas containing medical
cannabis; and

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(3) procedures for the delivery and transportation of hemp between hemp growers and
manufacturers and for the delivery and transportation of hemp products between hemp
processors and manufacturers.

(e) A manufacturer shall implement security requirements, including requirements for
the delivery and transportation of hemp and hemp products, protection of each location by
a fully operational security alarm system, facility access controls, perimeter intrusion
detection systems, and a personnel identification system.

(f) A manufacturer shall not share office space with, refer patients to a health carepractitioner, or have any financial relationship with a health care practitioner.

(g) A manufacturer shall not permit any person to consume medical cannabis on theproperty of the manufacturer.

15.15 (h) A manufacturer is subject to reasonable inspection by the commissioner office.

(i) For purposes of sections 152.22 to 152.37, a medical cannabis manufacturer is not
subject to the Board of Pharmacy licensure or regulatory requirements under chapter 151.

(j) A medical cannabis manufacturer may not employ any person who is under 21 years 15.18 of age or who has been convicted of a disqualifying felony offense. An employee of a 15.19 medical cannabis manufacturer must submit a completed criminal history records check 15.20 consent form, a full set of classifiable fingerprints, and the required fees for submission to 15.21 the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension before an employee may begin working with the 15.22 manufacturer. The bureau must conduct a Minnesota criminal history records check and 15.23 the superintendent is authorized to exchange the fingerprints with the Federal Bureau of 15.24 15.25 Investigation to obtain the applicant's national criminal history record information. The bureau shall return the results of the Minnesota and federal criminal history records checks 15.26 to the eommissioner office. 15.27

(k) A manufacturer may not operate in any location, whether for distribution or
cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, or processing, within 1,000 feet of a
public or private school existing before the date of the manufacturer's registration with the
commissioner office.

(1) A manufacturer shall comply with reasonable restrictions set by the commissioner
 office relating to signage, marketing, display, and advertising of medical cannabis.

(m) Before a manufacturer acquires hemp from a hemp grower or hemp products from
a hemp processor, the manufacturer must verify that the hemp grower or hemp processor
has a valid license issued by the commissioner of agriculture under chapter 18K.

(n) Until a state-centralized, seed-to-sale system is implemented that can track a specific
 medical cannabis plant from cultivation through testing and point of sale, the commissioner
 <u>office</u> shall conduct at least one unannounced inspection per year of each manufacturer that
 includes inspection of:

16.8 (1) business operations;

16.9 (2) physical locations of the manufacturer's manufacturing facility and distribution16.10 facilities;

16.11 (3) financial information and inventory documentation, including laboratory testing16.12 results; and

16.13 (4) physical and electronic security alarm systems.

16.14 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Manufacturer; production. (a) A manufacturer of medical cannabis shall
provide a reliable and ongoing supply of all medical cannabis needed for the registry program
through cultivation by the manufacturer and through the purchase of hemp from hemp
growers.

(b) All cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, packaging, and processing of medical
cannabis must take place in an enclosed, locked facility at a physical address provided to
the commissioner office during the registration process.

(c) A manufacturer must process and prepare any medical cannabis plant material or
hemp plant material into a form allowable under section 152.22, subdivision 6, prior to
distribution of any medical cannabis.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:
Subd. 3a. Transportation of medical cannabis; transport staffing. (a) A medical
cannabis manufacturer may staff a transport motor vehicle with only one employee if the
medical cannabis manufacturer is transporting medical cannabis to either a certified
laboratory for the purpose of testing or a facility for the purpose of disposal. If the medical
cannabis manufacturer is transporting medical cannabis for any other purpose or destination,

the transport motor vehicle must be staffed with a minimum of two employees as required
by rules adopted by the <u>commissioner office</u>.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a medical cannabis manufacturer that is only
transporting hemp for any purpose may staff the transport motor vehicle with only one
employee.

(c) A medical cannabis manufacturer may contract with a third party for armored car
services for deliveries of medical cannabis from its production facility to distribution
facilities. A medical cannabis manufacturer that contracts for armored car services remains
responsible for the transportation manifest and inventory tracking requirements in rules
adopted by the commissioner office.

(d) Department of Health Office staff may transport medical cannabis for the purposes
of delivering medical cannabis and other samples to a laboratory for testing under rules
adopted by the commissioner office and in cases of special investigations when the
commissioner office has determined there is a potential threat to public health. The transport
motor vehicle must be staffed with a minimum of two Department of Health office
employees. The employees must carry with them their Department of Health office
identification card and a transport manifest.

17.18 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.29, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Report. (a) Each manufacturer shall report to the commissioner office on a
monthly basis the following information on each individual patient for the month prior to
the report:

17.22 (1) the amount and dosages of medical cannabis distributed;

17.23 (2) the chemical composition of the medical cannabis; and

17.24 (3) the tracking number assigned to any medical cannabis distributed.

17.25 (b) For transactions involving Tribal medical cannabis program patients, each

17.26 manufacturer shall report to the commissioner office on a weekly basis the following

information on each individual Tribal medical cannabis program patient for the week priorto the report:

(1) the name of the Tribal medical cannabis program in which the Tribal medical cannabisprogram patient is enrolled;

17.31 (2) the amount and dosages of medical cannabis distributed;

17.32 (3) the chemical composition of the medical cannabis distributed; and

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(4) the tracking number assigned to the medical cannabis distributed.

18.2 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.31, is amended to read:

18.3 **152.31 DATA PRACTICES.**

(a) Government data in patient files maintained by the commissioner office and the 18.4 health care practitioner, and data submitted to or by a medical cannabis manufacturer, are 18.5 private data on individuals, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, or nonpublic data, 18.6 as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9, but may be used for purposes of complying with 18.7 18.8 chapter 13 and complying with a request from the legislative auditor or the state auditor in the performance of official duties. The provisions of section 13.05, subdivision 11, apply 18.9 to a registration agreement entered between the commissioner office and a medical cannabis 18.10 manufacturer under section 152.25. 18.11

(b) Not public data maintained by the commissioner office may not be used for any
purpose not provided for in sections 152.22 to 152.37, and may not be combined or linked
in any manner with any other list, dataset, or database.

(c) The <u>commissioner office</u> may execute data sharing arrangements with the
commissioner of agriculture to verify licensing, inspection, and compliance information
related to hemp growers and hemp processors under chapter 18K.

18.18 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.32, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

18.19 Subd. 2. Criminal and civil protections. (a) Subject to section 152.23, the following
18.20 are not violations under this chapter:

(1) use or possession of medical cannabis or medical cannabis products by a patient
enrolled in the registry program; possession by a registered designated caregiver or the
parent, legal guardian, or spouse of a patient if the parent, legal guardian, or spouse is listed
on the registry verification; or use or possession of medical cannabis or medical cannabis
products by a Tribal medical cannabis program patient;

(2) possession, dosage determination, or sale of medical cannabis or medical cannabis
products by a medical cannabis manufacturer, employees of a manufacturer, a Tribal medical
cannabis program manufacturer, employees of a Tribal medical cannabis program
manufacturer, a laboratory conducting testing on medical cannabis, or employees of the
laboratory; and

(3) possession of medical cannabis or medical cannabis products by any person while
carrying out the duties required under sections 152.22 to 152.37.

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(b) Medical cannabis obtained and distributed pursuant to sections 152.22 to 152.37 and associated property is not subject to forfeiture under sections 609.531 to 609.5316. 19.2

(c) The commissioner office, members of a Tribal medical cannabis board, the 19.3 eommissioner's office's or Tribal medical cannabis board's staff, the eommissioner's office's 19.4 or Tribal medical cannabis board's agents or contractors, and any health care practitioner 19.5 are not subject to any civil or disciplinary penalties by the Board of Medical Practice, the 19.6 Board of Nursing, or by any business, occupational, or professional licensing board or entity, 19.7 19.8 solely for participation in the registry program under sections 152.22 to 152.37 or in a Tribal medical cannabis program. A pharmacist licensed under chapter 151 is not subject to any 19.9 civil or disciplinary penalties by the Board of Pharmacy when acting in accordance with 19.10 the provisions of sections 152.22 to 152.37. Nothing in this section affects a professional 19.11 licensing board from taking action in response to violations of any other section of law. 19.12

(d) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner office, the governor of 19.13 Minnesota, or an employee of any state agency may not be held civilly or criminally liable 19.14 for any injury, loss of property, personal injury, or death caused by any act or omission 19.15 while acting within the scope of office or employment under sections 152.22 to 152.37. 19.16

(e) Federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities are prohibited from accessing 19.17 the patient registry under sections 152.22 to 152.37 except when acting pursuant to a valid 19.18 search warrant. 19.19

(f) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, neither the commissioner office nor a public 19.20 employee may release data or information about an individual contained in any report, 19.21 document, or registry created under sections 152.22 to 152.37 or any information obtained 19.22 about a patient participating in the program, except as provided in sections 152.22 to 152.37. 19.23

(g) No information contained in a report, document, or registry or obtained from a patient 19.24 under sections 152.22 to 152.37 or from a Tribal medical cannabis program patient may be 19.25 admitted as evidence in a criminal proceeding unless independently obtained or in connection 19.26 with a proceeding involving a violation of sections 152.22 to 152.37. 19.27

(h) Notwithstanding section 13.09, any person who violates paragraph (e) or (f) is guilty 19.28 of a gross misdemeanor. 19.29

19.30 (i) An attorney may not be subject to disciplinary action by the Minnesota Supreme Court, a Tribal court, or the professional responsibility board for providing legal assistance 19.31 to prospective or registered manufacturers or others related to activity that is no longer 19.32 subject to criminal penalties under state law pursuant to sections 152.22 to 152.37, or for 19.33

20.1 providing legal assistance to a Tribal medical cannabis program or a Tribal medical cannabis20.2 program manufacturer.

(j) The following do not constitute probable cause or reasonable suspicion, and shall not
be used to support a search of the person or property of the person possessing or applying
for the registry verification or equivalent, or otherwise subject the person or property of the
person to inspection by any governmental agency:

(1) possession of a registry verification or application for enrollment in the registry
 program by a person entitled to possess a registry verification or apply for enrollment in
 the registry program; or

(2) possession of a verification or equivalent issued by a Tribal medical cannabis program
 or application for enrollment in a Tribal medical cannabis program by a person entitled to
 possess such a verification or application.

20.13 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.33, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. Intentional diversion outside the state; penalties. (a) In addition to any other applicable penalty in law, the <u>commissioner office</u> may levy a fine of \$250,000 against a manufacturer and may immediately initiate proceedings to revoke the manufacturer's registration, using the procedure in section 152.25, if:

(1) an officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer pleads or is found
guilty under subdivision 1 of intentionally transferring medical cannabis, while the person
was an officer, director, or controlling person of the manufacturer, to a person other than
allowed by law; and

20.22 (2) in intentionally transferring medical cannabis to a person other than allowed by law,
20.23 the officer, director, or controlling person transported or directed the transport of medical
20.24 cannabis outside of Minnesota.

20.25 (b) All fines collected under this subdivision shall be deposited in the state government20.26 special revenue fund.

20.27 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.33, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Submission of false records; criminal penalty. A person who knowingly submits false records or documentation required by the <u>commissioner office</u> to register as a manufacturer of medical cannabis under sections 152.22 to 152.37 is guilty of a felony and may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than two years or by payment of a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both.

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Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.35, is amended to read:

21.2 **152.35 FEES; DEPOSIT OF REVENUE.**

(a) The commissioner office shall collect an application fee of \$20,000 from each entity
submitting an application for registration as a medical cannabis manufacturer. Revenue
from the fee shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state government
special revenue fund.

(b) The commissioner office shall establish and collect an annual fee from a medical
cannabis manufacturer equal to the cost of regulating and inspecting the manufacturer in
that year. Revenue from the fee amount shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited
to the state government special revenue fund.

(c) A medical cannabis manufacturer may charge patients enrolled in the registry program
a reasonable fee for costs associated with the operations of the manufacturer. The
manufacturer may establish a sliding scale of patient fees based upon a patient's household
income and may accept private donations to reduce patient fees.

21.15 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.37, is amended to read:

21.16 **152.37 FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS; PRICING REVIEWS.**

Subdivision 1. Financial records. A medical cannabis manufacturer shall maintain
detailed financial records in a manner and format approved by the commissioner office,
and shall keep all records updated and accessible to the commissioner office when requested.

21.20 Subd. 2. Certified annual audit. A medical cannabis manufacturer shall submit the results of an annual certified financial audit to the commissioner office no later than May 21.21 1 of each year for the calendar year beginning January 2015. The annual audit shall be 21.22 conducted by an independent certified public accountant and the costs of the audit are the 21.23 responsibility of the medical cannabis manufacturer. Results of the audit shall be provided 21.24 to the medical cannabis manufacturer and the commissioner office. The commissioner office 21.25 may also require another audit of the medical cannabis manufacturer by a certified public 21.26 21.27 accountant chosen by the commissioner office with the costs of the audit paid by the medical cannabis manufacturer. 21.28

Subd. 3. Power to examine. (a) The commissioner office or designee may examine the
business affairs and conditions of any medical cannabis manufacturer, including but not
limited to a review of the financing, budgets, revenues, sales, and pricing.

(b) An examination may cover the medical cannabis manufacturer's business affairs,
practices, and conditions including but not limited to a review of the financing, budgets,
revenues, sales, and pricing. The commissioner office shall determine the nature and scope
of each examination and in doing so shall take into account all available relevant factors
concerning the financial and business affairs, practices, and conditions of the examinee.
The costs incurred by the department in conducting an examination shall be paid for by the
medical cannabis manufacturer.

22.8 (c) When making an examination under this section, the <u>commissioner office</u> may retain 22.9 attorneys, appraisers, independent economists, independent certified public accountants, or 22.10 other professionals and specialists as designees. A certified public accountant retained by 22.11 the <u>commissioner office</u> may not be the same certified public accountant providing the 22.12 certified annual audit in subdivision 2.

(d) The commissioner office shall make a report of an examination conducted under this
section and provide a copy to the medical cannabis manufacturer. The commissioner office
shall then post a copy of the report on the department's website. All working papers, recorded
information, documents, and copies produced by, obtained by, or disclosed to the
commissioner office or any other person in the course of an examination, other than the
information contained in any commissioner office official report, made under this section
are private data on individuals or nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02.

22.20 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. Bona fide labor organization. "Bona fide labor organization" means a labor
union that represents or is actively seeking to represent cannabis workers-<u>of:</u>

- 22.23 (1) a cannabis business; or
- 22.24 (2) a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer.

22.25 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 34, is amended to read:

Subd. 34. Hemp business. (a) "Hemp business" means either any of the following
licensed under this chapter:

- 22.28 (1) lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer; or
- 22.29 (2) lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler; or
- 22.30 (2) (3) lower-potency hemp edible retailer.

(b) Hemp business does not include a person or entity licensed under chapter 18K to
grow industrial hemp for commercial or research purposes or to process industrial hemp
for commercial purposes.

23.4 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 47, is amended to read:

Subd. 47. Labor peace agreement. "Labor peace agreement" means an agreement
between a cannabis business and a bona fide labor organization <u>or an agreement between</u>
<u>a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer and a bona fide labor organization that protects</u>
the state's interests by, at minimum, prohibiting the labor organization from engaging in
picketing, work stoppages, or boycotts against the cannabis business <u>or lower-potency hemp</u>
<u>edible manufacturer</u>.

23.11 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 48, is amended to read:

Subd. 48. License holder. "License holder" means a person, cooperative, or business
that holds any of the following licenses:

- 23.14 (1) cannabis microbusiness;
- 23.15 (2) cannabis mezzobusiness;
- 23.16 (3) cannabis cultivator;
- 23.17 (4) cannabis manufacturer;
- 23.18 (5) cannabis retailer;
- 23.19 (6) cannabis wholesaler;
- 23.20 (7) cannabis transporter;
- 23.21 (8) cannabis testing facility;
- 23.22 (9) cannabis event organizer;
- 23.23 (10) cannabis delivery service;
- 23.24 (11) lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer;
- 23.25 (12) lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler;
- 23.26 (12)(13) lower-potency hemp edible retailer; or
- 23.27 (13)(14) medical cannabis combination business.

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24.1	Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 50, is amended to read:
24.2	Subd. 50. Lower-potency hemp edible. (a) "Lower-potency hemp edible" means any
24.3	product that:
24.4	(1) is intended to be eaten or consumed as a beverage by humans;
24.5	(2) contains hemp concentrate or an artificially derived cannabinoid, in combination
24.6	with food ingredients;
24.7	(3) is not a drug;
24.8	(4) does not contain a cannabinoid derived from cannabis plants or cannabis flower;
24.9	(5) is a type of product approved for sale by the office or is substantially similar to a
24.10	product approved by the office, including but not limited to products that resemble
24.11	nonalcoholic beverages, candy, and baked goods; and
24.12	(6) meets either of the requirements in paragraph (b).
24.13	(b) A lower-potency hemp edible includes:
24.14	(1) a product that:
24.15	(i) is not intended to be consumed as a beverage and consists of servings that contain
24.16	no more than five milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol; is intended to be consumed
24.17	as a beverage and contains no more than ten milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol in
24.18	a single container; is intended to be consumed in any approved manner and consists of
24.19	servings or a container that contain no more than 25 100 milligrams of cannabidiol,
24.20	cannabigerol, cannabinol, or cannabichromene; is intended to be consumed in any approved
24.21	manner and contains no more than the established limit of any other cannabinoid authorized
24.22	by the office; or is intended to be consumed in any approved manner and contains any
24.23	combination of those cannabinoids that does not exceed the identified amounts for the
24.24	applicable product category;
24.25	(ii) does not contain more than a combined total of 0.5 milligrams of all other
24.26	cannabinoids per serving; and
24.27	(iii) does not contain an artificially derived cannabinoid other than delta-9
24.28	tetrahydrocannabinol, except that a product may include artificially derived cannabinoids
24.29	created during the process of creating the delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol that is added to the
24.30	product, if no artificially derived cannabinoid is added to the ingredient containing delta-9
24.31	tetrahydrocannabinol and the ratio of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol to all other artificially
24.32	derived cannabinoids is no less than 20 to one; or

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25.1	(2) a proc	luct that:			
25.2	(i) contai	ns hemp concentrate	processed or ref	ined without increasir	ng the percentage of
25.3		*	•	binoids in the extracts	
25.4	plant or hem	p plant parts beyond	the variability g	enerally recognized f	or the method used
25.5	for processin	g or refining or by a	n amount neede	d to reduce the total T	HC in the hemp
25.6	concentrate;	and			
25.7	(ii) consis	sts of servings that co	ontain no more t	han five milligrams o	f total THC.
25.8	Sec. 31. M	innesota Statutes 202	24, section 342.0	1, is amended by add	ing a subdivision to
25.9	read:				
25.10	<u>Subd. 54</u> a	a. <mark>Medical cannabis</mark>	paraphernalia.	"Medical cannabis pa	araphernalia" means
25.11	a delivery de	vice, related supply,	or educational r	naterial used by a pati	ient enrolled in the
25.12	registry prog	ram to administer m	edical cannabis	and medical cannabin	oid products.
25.13		innesota Statutes 202	24, section 342.0	1, is amended by add	ing a subdivision to
25.14	read:				
25.15	<u>Subd. 69</u>	c. <u>Tribal medical ca</u>	nnabis board. <u>"</u>	Tribal medical cannal	ois board" means an
25.16	agency estab	lished by a federally	recognized Trib	al government and au	thorized by the
25.17	Tribe's gover	rning body to provid	e regulatory ove	rsight and monitor co	mpliance with a
25.18	Tribal medic	al cannabis program	and applicable	regulations.	
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25.24	distribution,	and possession of m	edical cannabis	and medical cannabis	products.
25.25	Sec. 34. M	innesota Statutes 202	24, section 342.0	1, is amended by add	ing a subdivision to
25.26	read:				
25.27	Subd. 69e	e. Tribal medical can	nabis program	patient. "Tribal medic	al cannabis program
25.28				gistration verification	
25.29	document that	at is issued under the l	aws or regulation	ns of a Tribal Nation w	vithin the boundaries
25.30	of Minnesota	a. A valid registration	n verification ca	rd must verify that the	e card holder is
25.31	enrolled in o	r authorized to partic	cipate in a Tribal	medical cannabis pro	ogram.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.01, subdivision 71, is amended to read:

Subd. 71. **Visiting patient.** "Visiting patient" means an individual who is not a Minnesota resident and who possesses a valid registration verification card or its equivalent that is issued under the laws or regulations of another state, district, commonwealth, or territory of the United States verifying that the individual is enrolled in or authorized to participate in that jurisdiction's medical cannabis or medical marijuana program <u>or in a Tribal medical</u> cannabis program.

26.8 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Medical cannabis program. (a) The powers and duties of the Department of
Health with respect to the medical cannabis program under Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections
152.22 to 152.37, are transferred to the Office of Cannabis Management under section
15.039.

(b) The following protections shall apply to employees who are transferred from theDepartment of Health to the Office of Cannabis Management:

26.15 (1) the employment status and job classification of a transferred employee shall not be26.16 altered as a result of the transfer;

26.17 (2) transferred employees who were represented by an exclusive representative prior to
26.18 the transfer shall continue to be represented by the same exclusive representative after the
26.19 transfer;

26.20 (3) the applicable collective bargaining agreements with exclusive representatives shall
 26.21 continue in full force and effect for such transferred employees after the transfer;

(4) the state must meet and negotiate with the exclusive representatives of the transferred
employees about any proposed changes affecting or relating to the transferred employees'
terms and conditions of employment to the extent such changes are not addressed in the
applicable collective bargaining agreement; and

(5) for an employee in a temporary unclassified position transferred to the Office of 26.26 Cannabis Management, the total length of time that the employee has served in the 26.27 appointment shall include all time served in the appointment and the transferring agency 26.28 26.29 and the time served in the appointment at the Office of Cannabis Management. An employee in a temporary unclassified position who was hired by a transferring agency through an 26.30 open competitive selection process in accordance with a policy enacted by Minnesota 26.31 Management and Budget shall be considered to have been hired through such process after 26.32 the transfer. 26.33

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27.1	(c) This subdivision is effective July 1, 2024.
27.2	Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.09, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
27.3	Subd. 2. Home cultivation of cannabis for personal adult use. (a) Up to eight cannabis
27.4	plants, with no more than four being mature, flowering plants may be grown at a single
27.5	residence, including the curtilage or yard, without a license to cultivate cannabis issued
27.6	under this chapter provided that cultivation takes place at the primary residence of an
27.7	individual 21 years of age or older and in an enclosed, locked space that is not open to public
27.8	view.
27.9	(b) Pursuant to section 342.52, subdivision 9, paragraph (d), a registered designated
27.10	caregiver may cultivate up to eight cannabis plants for not more than one patient household.
27.11	In addition to eight cannabis plants for one patient household, a registered designated
27.12	caregiver may cultivate up to eight cannabis plants for the caregiver's personal adult use of
27.13	cannabis. Of the 16 or fewer total cannabis plants being grown in the registered caregiver's
27.14	residence, no more than eight may be mature, flowering plants.
27.15	Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.10, is amended to read:
27.16	342.10 LICENSES; TYPES.
27.17	The office shall issue the following types of license:
27.18	(1) cannabis microbusiness;
27.19	(2) cannabis mezzobusiness;
27.20	(3) cannabis cultivator;
27.21	(4) cannabis manufacturer;
27.22	(5) cannabis retailer;
27.23	(6) cannabis wholesaler;
27.24	(7) cannabis transporter;
27.25	(8) cannabis testing facility;
27.26	(9) cannabis event organizer;
27.27	(10) cannabis delivery service;
27.28	(11) lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer;
27.29	(12) lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler;

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28.1	(12) (13)	lower-potency hemp	edible retailer	; and				
28.2	(13) (14) medical cannabis combination business.							
28.3	Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.11, is amended to read:							
28.4		ICENSES; FEES.	,	,				
28.5			navment of a	oplication fees, initial l	icensing fees and			
28.6	. ,	-		n. The initial license fe	-			
28.7				t annual renewal. The				
28.8				ach subsequent annual				
28.9	Nothing in th	is section prohibits a	local unit of g	government from charg	ging the retailer			
28.10	registration f	ee established in sect	ion 342.22. Aj	oplication fees, initial l	icensing fees, and			
28.11	renewal licer	sing fees are nonrefu	ndable.					
28.12	(b) Applie	cation and licensing f	ees shall be as	s follows:				
28.13	(1) for a c	cannabis microbusine	ss:					
28.14	(i) an app	lication fee of \$500;						
28.15	(ii) an ini	tial license fee of \$0;	and					
28.16	(iii) a rene	ewal license fee of \$2	2,000;					
28.17	(2) for a c	cannabis mezzobusine	ess:					
28.18	(i) an app	lication fee of \$5,000	;					
28.19	(ii) an ini	tial license fee of \$5,0	000; and					
28.20	(iii) a rene	ewal license fee of \$1	0,000;					
28.21	(3) for a c	cannabis cultivator:						
28.22	(i) an app	lication fee of \$10,00	00;					
28.23	(ii) an ini	tial license fee of \$20	,000; and					
28.24	(iii) a rene	ewal license fee of \$3	80,000;					
28.25	(4) for a c	cannabis manufacture	r:					
28.26	(i) an app	lication fee of \$10,00	0;					

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(ii) an initial license fee of \$10,000; and

(iii) a renewal license fee of \$20,000;

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29.1	(5) for a cannabis retailer:
29.2	(i) an application fee of \$2,500;
29.3	(ii) an initial license fee of \$2,500; and
29.4	(iii) a renewal license fee of \$5,000;
29.5	(6) for a cannabis wholesaler:
29.6	(i) an application fee of \$5,000;
29.7	(ii) an initial license fee of \$5,000; and
29.8	(iii) a renewal license fee of \$10,000;
29.9	(7) for a cannabis transporter:
29.10	(i) an application fee of \$250;
29.11	(ii) an initial license fee of \$500; and
29.12	(iii) a renewal license fee of \$1,000;
29.13	(8) for a cannabis testing facility:
29.14	(i) an application fee of \$5,000;
29.15	(ii) an initial license fee of \$5,000; and
29.16	(iii) a renewal license fee of \$10,000;
29.17	(9) for a cannabis delivery service:
29.18	(i) an application fee of \$250;
29.19	(ii) an initial license fee of \$500; and
29.20	(iii) a renewal license fee of \$1,000;
29.21	(10) for a cannabis event organizer:
29.22	(i) an application fee of \$750; and
29.23	(ii) an initial license fee of \$750;
29.24	(11) for a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer:
29.25	(i) an application fee of \$250;
29.26	(ii) an initial license fee of \$1,000; and
29.27	(iii) a renewal license fee of \$1,000;

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30.1	(12) for a lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler:						
30.2	(i) an applic	ation fee of \$250;					
30.3	(ii) an initial	l license fee of \$10,	000; and				
30.4	(iii) a renew	al license fee of \$10	0,000;				
30.5	(12) (13) for	a lower-potency h	emp edible reta	iler:			
30.6	(i) an applic	ation fee of \$250 <u>or</u>	; if the lower-p	otency hemp retailer o	perates more than		
30.7	one retail locati	on, \$250 per retail l	location;				
30.8	(ii) an initial	license fee of \$250) or, if the lowe	r-potency hemp retaile	r operates more		
30.9	than one retail l	ocation, \$250 per re	etail location; a	nd			
30.10	(iii) a renew	al license fee of \$2:	50 or, if the low	ver-potency hemp retai	ler operates more		
30.11	than one retail l	ocation, \$250 per re	etail location; a	nd			
30.12	(13) (14) for	a medical cannabi	s combination l	business:			
30.13	(i) an applic	ation fee of \$10,000);				
30.14	(ii) an initial	license fee of \$20,	000; and				
30.15	(iii) a renew	al license fee of \$70	0,000.				
30.16	Sec. 40. Minn	esota Statutes 2024	, section 342.1	2, is amended to read:			
30.17	342.12 LIC	ENSES; TRANSF	ERS; ADJUSI	TMENTS.			
30.18	(a) Licenses	issued under this c	hapter that are	available to all applicat	nts pursuant to		
30.19	section 342.14,	subdivision 1b, para	agraph (c), may	be freely transferred s	ubject to the prior		
30.20	written approval	l of the office unless	the license hole	ler has not received a fi	nal site inspection		
30.21	or the license ho	older is a social equ	ity applicant.				

30.22 (b) Licenses issued as social equity licenses pursuant to either section 342.14, subdivision
30.23 1b, paragraph (b), or section 342.175, paragraph (b), may only be transferred to another
30.24 social equity applicant for three years after the date on which the office issues the license.
30.25 Three years after the date of issuance, a license holder may transfer a license to any entity.
30.26 Transfer of a license that was issued as a social equity license must be reviewed by the
30.27 Division of Social Equity and is subject to the prior written approval of the office.

30.28 (c) <u>Preliminary license preapproval approval issued pursuant to section 342.125 342.14,</u>
 30.29 subdivision 5, may not be transferred.

30.30 (d) A new license must be obtained when:

31.1 (1) the form of the licensee's legal business structure converts or changes to a different
31.2 type of legal business structure; or

- 31.3 (2) the licensee dissolves; consolidates; reorganizes; undergoes bankruptcy, insolvency,
 31.4 or receivership proceedings; merges with another legal organization; or assigns all or
 31.5 substantially all of its assets for the benefit of creditors.
- 31.6 (e) Licenses must be renewed annually.

31.7 (f) License holders may petition the office to adjust the tier of a license issued within a
31.8 license category if the license holder meets all applicable requirements.

(g) The office by rule may permit the relocation of a licensed cannabis business; permit the relocation of an approved operational location, including a cultivation, manufacturing, processing, or retail location; adopt requirements for the submission of a license relocation application; establish standards for the approval of a relocation application; and charge a fee not to exceed \$250 for reviewing and processing applications. Relocation of a licensed premises pursuant to this paragraph does not extend or otherwise modify the license term of the license subject to relocation.

31.16 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.13, is amended to read:

31.17 **342.13 LOCAL CONTROL.**

(a) A local unit of government may not prohibit the possession, transportation, or use
of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived
consumer products authorized under this chapter.

(b) Except as provided in section 342.22, a local unit of government may not prohibit
the establishment or operation of a cannabis business or hemp business licensed under this
chapter.

(c) A local unit of government may adopt reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and
manner of the operation of a cannabis business provided that such restrictions do not prohibit
the establishment or operation of cannabis businesses. A local unit of government may
prohibit the operation of a cannabis business within 1,000 feet of a school, or 500 feet of a
day care, residential treatment facility, or an attraction within a public park that is regularly
used by minors, including a playground or athletic field.

31.30 (d) The office shall work with local units of government to:

31.31 (1) develop model ordinances for reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner
31.32 of the operation of a cannabis business;

32.1 (2) develop standardized forms and procedures for the issuance of a retail registration
32.2 pursuant to section 342.22; and

32.3 (3) develop model policies and procedures for the performance of compliance checks
32.4 required under section 342.22.

32.5 (e) If a local unit of government is conducting studies or has authorized a study to be conducted or has held or has scheduled a hearing for the purpose of considering adoption 32.6 or amendment of reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of 32.7 a cannabis business, the governing body of the local unit of government may adopt an 32.8 interim ordinance applicable to all or part of its jurisdiction for the purpose of protecting 32.9 32.10 the planning process and the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. Before adopting the interim ordinance, the governing body must hold a public hearing. The interim ordinance 32.11 may regulate, restrict, or prohibit the operation of a cannabis business within the jurisdiction 32.12 or a portion thereof until January 1, 2025. 32.13

(f) Within 30 days of receiving a copy of an application from the office, a local unit of 32.14 government shall certify on a form provided by the office whether a proposed cannabis 32.15 business complies with local zoning ordinances and, if applicable, whether the proposed 32.16 business complies with the state fire code and building code. The office may not issue a 32.17 license if the local unit of government informs the office that the cannabis business does 32.18 not meet local zoning and land use laws. If the local unit of government does not provide 32.19 the certification to the office within 30 days of receiving a copy of an application from the 32.20 office, the office may issue a license. 32.21

(g) The office by rule shall establish an expedited complaint process to receive, review, 32.22 and respond to complaints made by a local unit of government about a cannabis business. 32.23 At a minimum, the expedited complaint process shall require the office to provide an initial 32.24 response to the complaint within seven days and perform any necessary inspections within 32.25 32.26 30 days. Nothing in this paragraph prohibits a local unit of government from enforcing a local ordinance. If a local unit of government notifies the office that a cannabis business 32.27 other than a cannabis retailer, cannabis microbusiness or, cannabis mezzobusiness or 32.28 lower-potency hemp edible retailer with a retail operations endorsement, lower-potency 32.29 hemp edible retailer, or medical cannabis combination business operating a retail location 32.30 poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of the public, the office must respond 32.31 within one business day and may take any action described in section 342.19 or 342.21. 32.32

32.33 (h) A local government unit that issues a cannabis retailer registration under section
32.34 342.22 may, by ordinance, limit the number of licensed cannabis retailers, cannabis

mezzobusinesses with a retail operations endorsement, and cannabis microbusinesses with
a retail operations endorsement to no fewer than one registration for every 12,500 residents.

(i) If a county has one active registration for every 12,500 residents, a city or town within
the county is not obligated to register a cannabis business.

(j) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a local government unit from allowing licensed
 cannabis retailers in excess of the minimums set in paragraph (h).

33.7 (k) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the state shall not issue a license to any
33.8 cannabis business to operate in Indian country, as defined in United States Code, title 18,
33.9 section 1151, of a Minnesota Tribal government without the consent of the Tribal
33.10 government.

33.11 Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.14, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

33.12 Subdivision 1. Application; contents. (a) The office shall establish procedures for the
33.13 processing of cannabis licenses issued under this chapter. At a minimum, any application
33.14 to obtain or renew a cannabis license shall include the following information, if applicable:

33.15 (1) the name, address, and date of birth of the applicant;

33.16 (2) the disclosure of ownership and control required under paragraph (b);

33.17 (3) the disclosure of whether the applicant or, if the applicant is a business, any officer,
33.18 director, manager, and general partner of the business has ever filed for bankruptcy;

(4) the address and legal property description of the business, if applicable, except an
applicant is not required to secure a physical premises for the business at the time of
application;

33.22 (5) a general description of the location or locations that the applicant plans to operate,
including the planned square feet of space for cultivation, wholesaling, and retailing, as
applicable;

(6) a copy of the security plan, including security monitoring, security equipment, and
facility maps if applicable, except an applicant is not required to secure a physical premises
for the business at the time of application;

33.28 (7) proof of trade name registration;

(8) a copy of the applicant's business plan showing the expected size of the business;
anticipated growth; the methods of record keeping; the knowledge and experience of the

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34.1	applicant and any officer, director, manager, and general partner of the business; the
34.2	environmental plan; and other relevant financial and operational components;
34.3	(9) standard operating procedures for:
34.4	(i) quality assurance;
34.5	(ii) inventory control, storage, and diversion prevention; and
34.6	(iii) accounting and tax compliance;
34.7	(10) an attestation signed by a bona fide labor organization stating that the applicant has
34.8	entered into a labor peace agreement;
34.9	(11) a description of any training and education that the applicant will provide to
34.10	employees of the business;
34.11	(12) a disclosure of any violation of a license agreement or a federal, state, or local law
34.12	or regulation committed by the applicant or any true party of interest in the applicant's
34.13	business that is relevant to business and working conditions;
34.14	(13) certification that the applicant will comply with the requirements of this chapter;
34.15	(14) identification of one or more controlling persons or managerial employees as agents
34.16	who shall be responsible for dealing with the office on all matters;
34.17	(15) a statement that the applicant agrees to respond to the office's supplemental requests
34.18	for information; and
34.19	(16) a release of information for the applicant and every true party of interest in the
34.20	applicant's business license for the office to perform the background checks required under
34.21	section 342.15- <u>;</u>
34.22	(17) proof that the applicant is a social equity applicant; and
34.23	(18) an attestation that the applicant's business policies governing business operations
34.24	comply with this chapter.
34.25	(b) An applicant must file and update as necessary a disclosure of ownership and control
34.26	identifying any true party of interest as defined in section 342.185, subdivision 1, paragraph
34.27	(g). The office shall establish the contents of the disclosure. Except as provided in paragraph
34.28	(f) (e), the disclosure shall, at a minimum, include the following:
34.29	(1) the management structure, ownership, and control of the applicant or license holder,
34.30	including the name of each cooperative member, officer, director, manager, general partner,
34.31	or business entity; the office or position held by each person; each person's percentage

- ownership interest, if any; and, if the business has a parent company, the name of each 35.1 owner, board member, and officer of the parent company and the owner's, board member's, 35.2 or officer's percentage ownership interest in the parent company and the cannabis business; 35.3 (2) a statement from the applicant and, if the applicant is a business, from every officer, 35.4 director, manager, and general partner of the business, indicating whether that person has 35.5 previously held, or currently holds, an ownership interest in a cannabis business in Minnesota, 35.6 any other state or territory of the United States, or any other country; 35.7 (3) if the applicant is a corporation, copies of the applicant's articles of incorporation 35.8 and bylaws and any amendments to the applicant's articles of incorporation or bylaws; 35.9 (4) copies of any partnership agreement, operating agreement, or shareholder agreement; 35.10 (5) copies of any promissory notes, security instruments, or other similar agreements; 35.11 (6) an explanation detailing the funding sources used to finance the business; 35.12 (7) a list of operating and investment accounts for the business, including any applicable 35.13 financial institution and account number; and 35.14 (8) a list of each outstanding loan and financial obligation obtained for use in the business, 35.15 including the loan amount, loan terms, and name and address of the creditor. 35.16 (c) An application may include: 35.17 (1) proof that the applicant is a social equity applicant; 35.18 (2) a description of the training and education that will be provided to any employee; 35.19 35.20 or (3) a copy of business policies governing operations to ensure compliance with this 35.21 chapter. 35.22 (d) (c) Commitments made by an applicant in its application, including but not limited 35.23 to the maintenance of a labor peace agreement, shall be an ongoing material condition of 35.24 maintaining and renewing the license. 35.25 (d) A labor peace agreement entered into on or after August 15, 2025, must address the 35.26 duration of the election. 35.27
- 35.28 (e) An application on behalf of a corporation or association shall be signed by at least
 35.29 two officers or managing agents of that entity.

36.1	(f) (e) The office may establish exceptions to the disclosures required under paragraph
36.2	(b) for members of a cooperative who hold less than a five percent ownership interest in
36.3	the cooperative.
36.4	Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.14, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
36.5	Subd. 3. Review. (a) After an applicant submits an application that contains all required
36.6	information and pays the applicable licensing application fee, the office must review the
36.7	application.
36.8	(b) The office may deny an application if:
36.9	(1) the application is incomplete;
36.10	(2) the application contains a materially false statement about the applicant or omits
36.11	information required under subdivision 1;
36.12	(3) the applicant does not meet the qualifications under section 342.16;
36.13	(4) the applicant is prohibited from holding the license under section 342.18, subdivision
36.14	2;
36.15	(5) the application does not meet the minimum requirements under section 342.18,
36.16	subdivision 3;
36.17	(6) the applicant fails to pay the applicable application fee;
36.18	(7) the application was not submitted by the application deadline;
36.19	(8) the applicant submitted more than one application for a license type; or
36.20	(9) the office determines that the applicant would be prohibited from holding a license
36.21	for any other reason.
36.22	(c) If the office denies an application, the office must notify the applicant of the denial
36.23	and the basis for the denial.
36.24	(d) The office may request additional information from any applicant if the office
36.25	determines that the information is necessary to review or process the application. If the
36.26	applicant does not provide the additional requested information within 14 calendar days of
36.27	the office's request for information, the office may deny the application.
36.28	(e) An applicant whose application is not denied under this subdivision is a qualified
36.29	applicant.

37.1	Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.14, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
37.2	Subd. 6. Completed application; final authorization; issuance of license. (a) Within
37.3	18 months of receiving notice of preliminary license approval, an applicant must provide:
37.4	(1) the address and legal property description of the location where the business will
37.5	operate;
37.6	(2) the name of the local unit of government where the business will be located; and
37.7	(3) if applicable, an updated description of the location where the business will operate,
37.8	an updated security plan, and any other additional information required by the office.
37.9	(b) Upon receipt of the information required under paragraph (a) from an applicant that
37.10	has received preliminary license approval, the office must:
37.11	(1) forward a copy of the application to the local unit of government in which the business
37.12	operates or intends to operate with a form for certification as to whether a proposed cannabis
37.13	business complies with local zoning ordinances and, if applicable, whether the proposed
37.14	business complies with the state fire code and building code;
37.15	(2) schedule a site inspection; and
37.16	(3) require the applicant to pay the applicable license fee.
37.17	(c) The office may deny final authorization if:
37.18	(1) an applicant fails to submit any required information;
37.19	(2) the applicant submits a materially false statement about the applicant or fails to
37.20	provide any required information;
37.21	(3) the office confirms that the cannabis business for which the office granted a
37.22	preliminary license preapproval approval does not meet local zoning and land use laws;
37.23	(4) the applicant fails to pay the applicable license fee; or
37.24	(5) the office determines that the applicant is disqualified from holding the license or
37.25	would operate in violation of the provisions of this chapter.
37.26	(d) Within 90 days of receiving the information required under paragraph (a) and the
37.27	results of any required background check, the office shall grant final authorization and issue
37.28	the appropriate license or send the applicant a notice of rejection setting forth specific
37.29	reasons that the office did not approve the application.

38.1 Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.151, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Criminal history check. A license holder cannabis business may employ or 38.2 contract with as many unlicensed individuals as may be necessary, provided that the license 38.3 holder cannabis business is at all times accountable for the good conduct of every individual 38.4 employed by or contracted with the license holder cannabis business. Before hiring an 38.5 individual as a cannabis worker, the license holder cannabis business must submit to the 38.6 Bureau of Criminal Apprehension the individual's full set of fingerprints and written consent 38.7 38.8 for the bureau to conduct a state and national criminal history check. The bureau may exchange an individual's fingerprints with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Bureau 38.9 of Criminal Apprehension must determine whether the individual is qualified to be employed 38.10 as a cannabis worker and must notify the license holder cannabis business of the bureau's 38.11 determination. The license holder cannabis business must not employ an individual who is 38.12 disqualified from being employed as a cannabis worker. 38.13

38.14 Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.151, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

38.15 Subd. 3. **Disqualification.** (a) A <u>license holder cannabis business</u> must not employ an 38.16 individual as a cannabis worker if the individual has been convicted of any of the following 38.17 crimes that would constitute a felony:

38.18 (1) human trafficking;

- 38.19 (2) noncannabis controlled substance crimes in the first or second degree;
- 38.20 (3) labor trafficking;
- 38.21 (4) fraud;
- 38.22 (5) embezzlement;
- 38.23 (6) extortion;
- 38.24 (7) money laundering; or
- 38.25 (8) insider trading;

if committed in this state or any other jurisdiction for which a full pardon or similar reliefhas not been granted.

38.28 (b) A license holder cannabis business must not employ an individual as a cannabis
38.29 worker if the individual made any false statement in an application for employment.

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39.1	Sec. 47. Mini	nesota Statutes 2024,	section 342.	16, is amended to read	1:				
39.2	342.16 CA	NNABIS BUSINES	SES; GENE	RAL OWNERSHIP					
39.3	DISQUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.								
39.4	(a) A license holder or applicant must meet each of the following requirements, if								
39.5	applicable, to h	old or receive a can	nabis license	issued under this chap	oter:				
39.6	(1) be at lea	ast 21 years of age;							
39.7	(2) have co	mpleted an application	on for licensu	re or application for r	enewal;				
39.8	(3) have pa	id the applicable app	lication fee a	nd license fee;					
39.9	(4) if the ap	plicant or license ho	lder is a busi	ness entity, be incorpo	prated in the state or				
39.10	otherwise form	ed or organized unde	er the laws of	f the state;					
39.11	(5) not be e	mployed by the offic	e or any stat	e agency with regulate	ory authority under				
39.12	this chapter or	the rules adopted pur	rsuant to this	chapter;					
39.13	(6) not be a	licensed peace office	r, as defined	in section 626.84, subd	livision 1, paragraph				
39.14	(c);								
39.15	(7) never ha	ave had a license pre	viously issue	d under this chapter re	evoked, and never				
39.16	have had a cannabis license, a registration, an agreement, or another authorization to operate								
39.17	a cannabis bus	iness issued under th	e laws of and	other state revoked;					
39.18	(8) have filed any previously required tax returns for a cannabis business;								
39.19	(9) have paid and remitted any business taxes, gross receipts taxes, interest, or penalties								
39.20	due relating to the operation of a cannabis business;								
39.21	(10) have fu	lly and truthfully con	nplied with a	ll information requests	of the office relating				
39.22	to license appli	cation and renewal;							
39.23	(11) not be	disqualified under se	ection 342.15	. ,					
39.24	(12) not em	ploy an individual w	ho is disquali	fied from working for	a cannabis business				
39.25	under this chap	oter;							
39.26	(13) meet th	ne ownership and ope	erational requ	uirements for the type	of license and, if				
39.27	applicable, end	orsement sought or l	neld; and						
39.28	(14) not hav	ve had any confirmed	l <u>willful</u> labo	r violation with the De	epartment of Labor,				
39.29	National Labor	Relations Board, or	the Occupat	ional Safety and Healt	h Administration				
39.30	within the last	five years <u>, as determ</u>	ined by the c	ffice.					

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(b) A health care practitioner who certifies qualifying medical conditions for patients is 40.1 prohibited from: 40.2 (1) holding a direct or indirect economic interest in a cannabis business; 40.3 (2) serving as a cooperative member, director, manager, general partner, or employee 40.4 40.5 of a cannabis business; or (3) advertising with a cannabis business in any way. 40.6 40.7 (c) If the license holder or applicant is a business entity, every officer, director, manager, and general partner of the business entity must meet each of the requirements of this section. 40.8(d) The ownership disqualifications and requirements under this section do not apply to 40.9 a hemp business license holder or applicant. 40.10 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.17, is amended to read: 40.11 40.12 342.17 SOCIAL EQUITY APPLICANTS. (a) An applicant qualifies as a social equity applicant if the applicant: 40.13 (1) was found delinquent for, received a stay of adjudication for, or was convicted of 40.14 an offense involving the possession or sale of cannabis or marijuana prior to May 1, 2023; 40.15 (2) had a parent, guardian, child, spouse, or dependent who was convicted of an offense 40.16 involving the possession or sale of cannabis or marijuana prior to May 1, 2023; 40.17 (3) was a dependent of an individual who was convicted of an offense involving the 40.18 possession or sale of cannabis or marijuana prior to May 1, 2023; 40.19 (4) is a military veteran, including a service-disabled veteran, current or former member 40.20 of the national guard; 40.21 (5) is a military veteran or current or former member of the national guard who lost 40.22 honorable status due to an offense involving the possession or sale of cannabis or marijuana; 40.23 (6) has been a resident for the last five years of one or more subareas, such as census 40.24 tracts or neighborhoods: 40.25 (i) that experienced a disproportionately large amount of cannabis enforcement as 40.26 determined by the study conducted by the office pursuant to section 342.04, paragraph (b), 40.27 or another report based on federal or state data on arrests or convictions; 40.28 (ii) where the poverty rate was 20 percent or more; 40.29

(iii) where the median family income did not exceed 80 percent of the statewide median 41.1 family income or, if in a metropolitan area, did not exceed the greater of 80 percent of the 41.2 statewide median family income or 80 percent of the median family income for that 41.3 metropolitan area; 41.4

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(iv) where at least 20 percent of the households receive assistance through the 41.5 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; or 41.6

(v) where the population has a high level of vulnerability according to the Centers for 41.7 Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry 41.8 (CDC/ATSDR) Social Vulnerability Index; or 41.9

(7) has participated in the business operation of a farm for at least three years and 41.10 currently provides the majority of the day-to-day physical labor and management of a farm 41.11 that had gross farm sales of at least \$5,000 but not more than \$100,000 in the previous year. 41.12

(b) The qualifications described in paragraph (a) apply to each individual applicant or, 41.13 in the case of a business entity, apply to at least 65 percent of the controlling ownership of 41.14 the business entity. 41.15

Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.18, subdivision 2, is amended to read: 41.16

Subd. 2. Vertical integration prohibited; exceptions. (a) Except as otherwise provided 41.17 in this subdivision, the office shall not issue licenses to a single applicant that would result 41.18 in the applicant being vertically integrated in violation of the provisions of this chapter. 41.19

41.20 (b) Nothing in this section prohibits or limits the issuance of microbusiness licenses, mezzobusiness licenses, or medical cannabis combination business licenses, or the issuance 41.21 of both lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler, 41.22 and lower-potency hemp edible retailer licenses to the same person or entity. 41.23

Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.22, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 41.24

Subd. 3. Issuance of registration. (a) A local unit of government shall issue a retail 41.25 registration to a cannabis microbusiness with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis 41.26 mezzobusiness with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis retailer, medical cannabis 41.27 combination business operating a retail location, or lower-potency hemp edible retailer that: 41.28 (1) has a valid license or preliminary license preapproval approval issued by the office; 41.29 (2) has paid the registration fee or renewal fee pursuant to subdivision 2;

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42.1	(3) is found to be in compliance with the requirements of this chapter at any preliminary
42.2	compliance check that the local unit of government performs; and
42.3	(4) if applicable, is current on all property taxes and assessments at the location where
42.4	the retail establishment is located.
42.5	(b) Before issuing a retail registration, the local unit of government may conduct a
42.6	preliminary compliance check to ensure that the cannabis business or hemp business is in
42.7	compliance with any applicable local ordinance established pursuant to section 342.13.
42.8	(c) A local unit of government shall renew the retail registration of a cannabis business
42.9	or hemp business when the office renews the license of the cannabis business or hemp
42.10	business.
42.11	(d) A retail registration issued under this section may not be transferred.
42.12	Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.22, is amended by adding a subdivision to
42.13	read:
42.14	Subd. 6. Exception; exclusive delivery services. The requirements of this section do
42.15	not apply to a lower-potency hemp edible retailer with a delivery endorsement if the
42.16	lower-potency hemp edible retailer does not operate a retail location.
42.17	Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.28, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
42.18	Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis microbusiness license, consistent with
42.19	the specific license endorsement or endorsements, entitles the license holder to perform any
42.20	or all of the following within the limits established by this section:
42.21	(1) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest
42.22	cannabis flower from a mature plant;
42.23	(2) make cannabis concentrate;
42.24	(3) make hemp concentrate, including hemp concentrate with a delta-9
42.25	tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of more than 0.3 percent as measured by weight;
42.26	(4) manufacture artificially derived cannabinoids;
42.27	(5) manufacture adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and
42.28	hemp-derived consumer products for public consumption;
42.29	(6) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings and, cannabis flower, cannabis
42.30	products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products from another

43.1 cannabis microbusiness, a cannabis mezzobusiness, <u>a cannabis cultivator</u>, a cannabis

43.2 manufacturer, or a cannabis wholesaler, a medical cannabis combination business, a

43.3 <u>lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, or a lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler;</u>

43.4 (7) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from an industrial hemp grower licensed43.5 under chapter 18K;

43.6 (8) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter
43.7 18K;

43.8 (9) purchase cannabis concentrate, hemp concentrate, and artificially derived cannabinoids
43.9 from another cannabis microbusiness, a cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis manufacturer,
43.10 or a cannabis wholesaler for use in manufacturing adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency
43.11 hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products;

43.12 (10) package and label adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products,
43.13 lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale to customers;

(11) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use
cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, and
other products authorized by law to other cannabis businesses and to customers;

43.17 (12) operate an establishment that permits on-site consumption of edible cannabis43.18 products and lower-potency hemp edibles; and

43.19 (13) perform other actions approved by the office.

43.20 Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.28, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

43.21 Subd. 8. Production of <u>customer consumer products endorsement</u>. A cannabis
43.22 microbusiness that manufactures edible cannabis products, lower-potency hemp products,
43.23 or hemp-derived consumer products must comply with the requirements in section 342.26,
43.24 subdivisions 2 and 4.

43.25 Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

43.26 Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis mezzobusiness license, consistent with
43.27 the specific license endorsement or endorsements, entitles the license holder to perform any
43.28 or all of the following within the limits established by this section:

43.29 (1) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest
43.30 cannabis flower from a mature plant for use as adult-use cannabis flower or for use in
43.31 adult-use cannabis products;

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- (2) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest 44.1 cannabis flower from a mature plant for use as medical cannabis flower or for use in medical 44.2 cannabinoid products; 44.3 (3) make cannabis concentrate; 44.4 44.5 (4) make hemp concentrate, including hemp concentrate with a delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of more than 0.3 percent as measured by weight; 44.6 44.7 (5) manufacture artificially derived cannabinoids; (6) manufacture adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and 44.8 hemp-derived consumer products for public consumption; 44.9 (7) process medical cannabinoid products; 44.10 (8) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings and, cannabis flower, cannabis 44.11 products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products from a cannabis 44.12 microbusiness, another cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis cultivator, a cannabis 44.13 manufacturer, or a cannabis wholesaler, a medical cannabis combination business, a 44.14 lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, or a lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler; 44.15 (9) purchase cannabis concentrate, hemp concentrate, and synthetically artificially derived 44.16 cannabinoids from a cannabis microbusiness, another cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis 44.17 manufacturer, or a cannabis wholesaler for use in manufacturing adult-use cannabis products, 44.18 lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products; 44.19 (10) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from a licensed hemp grower licensed 44.20 under chapter 18K; 44.21 (11) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter 44.22 18K; 44.23 44.24 (12) package and label adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale to customers; 44.25 44.26 (13) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, and 44.27 other products authorized by law to other cannabis businesses and to customers; and 44.28
- 44.29 (14) perform other actions approved by the office.

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45.1	Sec. 55. Minnes	sota Statutes 2024	, section 342.	29, subdivision 7, is ame	nded to read:
45.2	Subd. 7. Prod	luction of custon	er _consumer	products endorsement.	A cannabis
45.3	mezzobusiness th	at manufactures e	dible cannabi	s products, lower-potency	hemp products,
45.4	or hemp-derived	consumer produc	ts must comply	y with the requirements in	n section 342.26,
45.5	subdivisions 2 an	d 4.			
45.6	Sec. 56. Minnes	sota Statutes 2024	, section 342.	30, subdivision 1, is ame	nded to read:
45.7	Subdivision 1	. Authorized act	ions. A cannal	bis cultivator license enti	tles the license
45.8	holder to:				
45.9	(1) grow cann	abis plants withir	the approved	amount of space from se	ed or immature
45.10	plant to mature pl	lant , ;			
45.11	(2) harvest car	nnabis flower from	m a mature pla	ant <u>.</u>	
45.12	(3) package a	nd label immature	e cannabis plai	nts and seedlings and can	nabis flower for
45.13	sale to other cann	abis businesses , ;			
45.14	(4) sell immat	ure cannabis plan	its and seedlin	gs and cannabis flower to	o other cannabis
45.15	businesses;				
45.16	(5) transport c	annabis flower to	a cannabis ma	anufacturer located on the	same premises , ;
45.17	and				
45.18	(6) perform of	ther actions appro	ved by the off	ice.	
45.19	Sec. 57. Minnes	sota Statutes 2024	, section 342.	32, subdivision 1, is ame	nded to read:
45.20	Subdivision 1.	. Authorized acti	ons. A cannab	is retailer license entitles t	he license holder
45.21	to:				
45.22	(1) purchase ir	nmature cannabis	plants and see	dlings, cannabis flower, ca	annabis products,
45.23	lower-potency he	mp edibles, and h	emp-derived	consumer products from	cannabis
45.24	microbusinesses,	cannabis mezzob	usinesses, can	nabis cultivators, cannabi	s manufacturers,
45.25	and cannabis who	plesalers, and med	lical cannabis	combination businesses;	
45.26	(2) purchase l	ower-potency her	np edibles fro	m a licensed lower-poten	cy hemp edible
45.27	manufacturer <u>or</u> 1	ower-potency her	np edible who	lesaler;	
45.28	(3) sell immat	ure cannabis plan	ts and seedlin	gs, adult-use cannabis flo	ower, adult-use
45.29	cannabis products	s, lower-potency	hemp edibles,	hemp-derived consumer	products, and
45.30	other products au	thorized by law to	o customers; a	nd	

(4) perform other actions approved by the office. 46.1 Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.32, subdivision 4, is amended to read: 46.2 Subd. 4. Multiple licenses; limits. (a) A person, cooperative, or business holding a 46.3 cannabis retailer license may also hold a cannabis delivery service license and a cannabis 46.4 event organizer license. 46.5 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (a) and subdivision 5, no person, cooperative, or 46.6 business holding a cannabis retailer license may own or operate any other cannabis business 46.7 or hemp business. 46.8 (c) No person, cooperative, or business may hold a license to own or operate more than 46.9 one cannabis retail business in one city and three retail businesses in one county. 46.10 (d) The office by rule may limit the number of cannabis retailer licenses a person, 46.11 cooperative, or business may hold. 46.12 (e) For purposes of this subdivision, a restriction on the number or type of license a 46.13 business may hold applies to every cooperative member or every director, manager, and 46.14 46.15 general partner of a cannabis business. Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.32, subdivision 5, is amended to read: 46.16 Subd. 5. Municipal or county cannabis store. A city or county may establish, own, 46.17 and operate a municipal cannabis store subject to the restrictions in this chapter. 46.18 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a city or county that establishes, owns, or operates 46.19 a municipal cannabis store may also hold a lower-potency hemp edible retailer license. 46.20 Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.33, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 46.21 Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A cannabis wholesaler license entitles the license 46.22 holder to: 46.23 (1) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings, cannabis flower, cannabis products, 46.24 lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products from cannabis 46.25 microbusinesses, cannabis mezzobusinesses, cannabis cultivators, cannabis manufacturers, 46.26 medical cannabis combination businesses, and cannabis microbusinesses lower-potency 46.27 hemp edible manufacturers; 46.28 (2) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from industrial hemp growers licensed 46.29

46.30 under chapter 18K;

47.1 (3) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter
47.2 18K;

47.3 (4) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, cannabis flower, cannabis products,

47.4 lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products to cannabis

47.5 microbusinesses, cannabis mezzobusinesses, cannabis manufacturers, and cannabis retailers;

47.6 (5) sell lower-potency hemp edibles to lower-potency hemp edible retailers;

47.7 (6) import hemp-derived consumer products and lower-potency hemp edibles that contain
47.8 hemp concentrate or artificially derived cannabinoids that are derived from hemp plants or
47.9 hemp plant parts; and

47.10 (7) perform other actions approved by the office.

47.11 Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.34, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

47.12 Subd. 5. Importation of hemp-derived products. (a) A cannabis wholesaler that imports
47.13 lower-potency hemp edibles or hemp-derived consumer products, other than hemp-derived
47.14 topical products, that are manufactured outside the boundaries of the state of Minnesota
47.15 with the intent to sell the products to a cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
47.16 cannabis retailer, lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler, or lower-potency hemp edible
47.17 retailer must obtain a hemp-derived product importer endorsement from the office.

47.18 (b) A cannabis wholesaler with a hemp-derived product importer endorsement may sell
47.19 products manufactured outside the boundaries of the state of Minnesota if:

47.20 (1) the manufacturer is licensed in another jurisdiction and subject to regulations designed
47.21 to protect the health and safety of consumers that the office determines are substantially
47.22 similar to the regulations in this state; or

47.23 (2) the cannabis wholesaler establishes, to the satisfaction of the office, that the
47.24 manufacturer engages in practices that are substantially similar to the practices required for
47.25 licensure of manufacturers in this state.

(c) The cannabis wholesaler must enter all relevant information regarding an imported
hemp-derived consumer product into the statewide monitoring system before the product
may be distributed. Relevant information includes information regarding the cultivation,
processing, and testing of the industrial hemp used in the manufacture of the product and
information regarding the testing of the hemp-derived consumer product. If information
regarding the industrial hemp or hemp-derived consumer product was submitted to a
statewide monitoring system used in another state, the office may require submission of

any information provided to that statewide monitoring system and shall assist in the transfer
of data from another state as needed and in compliance with any data classification
established by either state.

(d) The office may suspend, revoke, or cancel the endorsement of a distributor who is 48.4 prohibited from distributing products containing cannabinoids in any other jurisdiction, 48.5 convicted of an offense involving the distribution of products containing cannabinoids in 48.6 any other jurisdiction, or found liable for distributing any product that injured customers in 48.7 any other jurisdiction. A cannabis wholesaler shall disclose all relevant information related 48.8 to actions in another jurisdiction. Failure to disclose relevant information may result in 48.9 disciplinary action by the office, including the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of 48.10 an endorsement or license. 48.11

(e) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, it shall not be a defense in any civil or
criminal action that a licensed wholesaler relied on information on a product label or
otherwise provided by a manufacturer who is not licensed in this state.

48.15 Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.36, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

48.16 Subd. 6. Multiple employees; secured vehicles; delivery routes. All cannabis transporter vehicles transporting immature cannabis plants and seedlings, cannabis flower, cannabis 48.17 products, artificially derived cannabinoids, hemp plant parts, hemp concentrate, 48.18 lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products must be staffed with a 48.19 minimum of two employees (1) secured by turning off the ignition, locking all doors and 48.20 storage compartments, and removing the operating keys or device, or (2) attended by a 48.21 cannabis transporter employee at all times. If there are multiple team members staffing an 48.22 unsecured transport vehicle, at least one delivery team member shall remain with the motor 48.23 vehicle at all times that the motor vehicle contains immature cannabis plants and seedlings, 48.24 cannabis flower, cannabis products, artificially derived cannabinoids, hemp plant parts, 48.25 hemp concentrate, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products. A 48.26 cannabis transporter must not be required to randomize delivery times and routes or staff 48.27 48.28 cannabis transport vehicles with multiple employees.

48.29 Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.37, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

48.30 Subd. 2. Additional information required; exception. (a) In addition to the information 48.31 required to be submitted under section 342.14, subdivision 1, and rules adopted pursuant 48.32 to that section, a person, cooperative, or business seeking a cannabis testing facility license 48.33 must submit the following information in a form approved by the office:

49.1 (1) an operating plan demonstrating the proposed layout of the facility, including a
49.2 diagram of ventilation and filtration systems and policies to avoid sales to unlicensed
49.3 businesses;

49.4 (2) proof of accreditation by a laboratory accrediting organization approved by the office
49.5 that, at a minimum, requires a laboratory to operate formal management systems under the
49.6 International Organization for Standardization; and

49.7 (3) evidence that the business will comply with the applicable operation requirements49.8 for the license being sought.

49.9 (b) An independent laboratory approved to test medical cannabis produced by a medical
 49.10 cannabis manufacturer pursuant to section 152.25 and Minnesota Rules, part 4770.2000,

49.11 before May 1, 2025, is not required to submit an attestation signed by a bona fide labor

49.12 organization stating that the applicant has entered into a labor peace agreement at the time

49.13 of an initial application for a cannabis testing facility license. A laboratory that receives a

49.14 cannabis testing facility license under this exception must submit an attestation signed by

49.15 <u>a bona fide labor organization stating that the applicant has entered into a labor peace</u>

49.16 agreement at the time of the second renewal of the license.

49.17 Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to49.18 read:

49.19 Subd. 2a. Cannabis testing facility licenses. (a) Pending an applicant's accreditation

49.20 by a laboratory accrediting organization approved by the office, the office may issue or

49.21 renew a cannabis testing facility license for an applicant that is a person, cooperative, or

- 49.22 **business if the applicant:**
- 49.23 (1) submits documentation to the office demonstrating that the applicant has a signed

49.24 contract with a laboratory accreditation organization approved by the office, has scheduled

49.25 an audit, and is making progress toward accreditation by a laboratory accrediting organization

49.26 approved by the office according to the standards of the most recent edition of ISO/IEC

49.27 <u>17025: General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories;</u>

49.28 (2) passes a final site inspection conducted by the office; and

49.29 (3) meets all other licensing requirements according to chapter 342 and Minnesota Rules.

49.30 (b) After receiving a license under this section, a license holder may operate a cannabis

49.31 testing facility up to one year with pending accreditation status.

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50.1	(c) If after one	e vear a license h	older continue	s to have pending accredi	tation status the
50.2	· · ·			to continue operations for	
50.3				agraph to a license holder	
50.4	holder:				
50.5	(1) passes a fo	ollow-un site insr	pection conduc	ted by the office;	
50.6	<u>~ </u>	•	ort from a labo	ratory accrediting organiz	zation approved
50.7	by the office; and				
50.8	(3) submits an	y additional info	rmation reque	sted by the office.	
50.9	(d) The office	may revoke a ca	nnabis testing	facility license held by a	license holder
50.10	with pending accu	reditation status i	f the office de	termines or has reason to	believe that the
50.11	license holder:				
50.12	<u>(1) is not mak</u>	ing progress tow	ard accreditati	on; or	
50.13	(2) has violate	ed a cannabis test	ing requireme	nt, an ownership requiren	nent, or an
50.14	operational requin	ement in chapter	342 or Minne	esota Rules.	
50.15	(e) The office	must not issue of	r renew a cann	abis testing facility licens	se under this
50.16	subdivision for a	license holder if	the license hol	der's accreditation has be	en suspended or
50.17	revoked by a labo	oratory accreditin	g organization	<u>l.</u>	
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50.18		sota Statutes 2024	4, section 342.	37, is amended by adding	a subdivision to
50.19	read:				
50.20				se holder must report loss	
50.21	to the office with	in 24 hours of rec	ceiving notice	of the loss of accreditatio	<u>n.</u>
50.22	(b) The office	must immediatel	y revoke a lice	ense holder's license upon	receiving notice
50.23	that the license ho	older has lost acc	reditation.		
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50.24	Sec. 66. Minnes	sota Statutes 2024	4, section 342.	39, subdivision 3, is ame	nded to read:
50.25	Subd. 3. Mult	iple licenses; lin	nits. (a) A pers	son, cooperative, or busin	ess holding a
50.26	cannabis event or	ganizer license n	nay not hold a	cannabis testing facility l	icense, a
50.27	lower-potency he	mp edible manuf	acturer license	e, <u>a lower-potency hemp e</u>	dible wholesaler
50.28	license, or a lowe	r-potency hemp	edible retailer	license.	
50.29	(b) The office	by rule may limit	it the number of	of cannabis event licenses	that a person or
50.30	business may hole	d.			

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, restrictions on the number or type of license that a
business may hold apply to every cooperative member or every director, manager, and
general partner of a cannabis business.

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51.4 Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.40, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

51.5 Subd. 7. **Cannabis event sales.** (a) Cannabis microbusinesses with a retail endorsement, 51.6 cannabis mezzobusinesses with a retail endorsement, cannabis retailers, medical cannabis 51.7 combination businesses operating a retail location, and lower-potency hemp edible retailers, 51.8 including the cannabis event organizer, may be authorized to sell cannabis plants, adult-use 51.9 cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived 51.10 consumer products to customers at a cannabis event.

(b) All sales of cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products at a cannabis event must
take place in a retail area as designated in the premises diagram.

51.14 (c) Authorized retailers may only conduct sales within their specifically assigned area.

(d) Authorized retailers must verify the age of all customers pursuant to section 342.27,
subdivision 4, before completing a sale and may not sell cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis
flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer
products to an individual under 21 years of age.

(e) Authorized retailers may display one sample of each type of cannabis plant, adult-use 51.19 cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, and hemp-derived 51.20 consumer product available for sale. Samples of adult-use cannabis and adult-use cannabis 51.21 products must be stored in a sample jar or display case and be accompanied by a label or 51.22 notice containing the information required to be affixed to the packaging or container 51.23 containing adult-use cannabis flower and adult-use cannabis products sold to customers. A 51.24 51.25 sample may not consist of more than eight grams of adult-use cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis concentrate, or an edible cannabis product infused with more than 100 milligrams 51.26 of tetrahydrocannabinol. A cannabis retailer may allow customers to smell the adult-use 51.27 cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis product before purchase. 51.28

(f) The notice requirements under section 342.27, subdivision 6, apply to authorized
retailers offering cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabinoid products,
and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event.

51.32 (g) Authorized retailers may not:

(1) sell adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp
edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products to a person who is visibly intoxicated;

(2) knowingly sell more cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis
products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products than a customer
is legally permitted to possess;

52.6 (3) sell medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products; or

52.7 (4) give away cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp
 52.8 edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products; or

52.9 (5) (4) allow for the dispensing of cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products,
 52.10 lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products in vending machines.

(h) Except for samples of a cannabis plant, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis
product, lower-potency hemp edible, and hemp-derived consumer product, all cannabis
plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles,
and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis event must be stored in a secure,
locked container that is not accessible to the public. Such items being stored at a cannabis
event shall not be left unattended.

(i) All cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale at a cannabis
event must comply with this chapter and rules adopted pursuant to this chapter regarding
the testing, packaging, and labeling of those items.

(j) All cannabis plants, adult-use cannabis flower, and adult-use cannabis products sold,
damaged, or destroyed at a cannabis event must be recorded in the statewide monitoring
system.

52.24 Sec. 68. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.40, is amended by adding a subdivision to 52.25 read:

Subd. 7a. Cannabis sample products. (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law,
a retailer authorized to make sales to customers pursuant to subdivision 7 may give away
samples of cannabis plants, cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles,
or hemp-derived consumer products during a cannabis event. A label or notice containing
the information required to be affixed to the packaging or container containing cannabis
flower, adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer
products sold to customers must be displayed and available for consumers.

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53.1	(b) Products	s given away as sa	mples must not o	consist of more than:	_				
53.2	(1) one gram of adult-use cannabis flower or adult-use cannabis concentrate;								
53.3	(2) ten milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol infused in an edible cannabis product; and								
53.4	(3) five mil	ligrams of delta-9	tetrahydrocannal	oinol, 100 milligram	s of cannabidiol,				
53.5	cannabigerol, c	annabinol, or cann	abichromene, or	any combination of	those cannabinoids				
53.6	that does not ex	ceed the identified	d amounts in a lo	ower-potency hemp	edible.				
53.7	(c) Authoriz	zed retailers must r	not give away sa	mples to an individu	al who is visibly				
53.8	intoxicated.								
53.9	(d) Samples	of any cannabis pla	ants, cannabis flor	wer, cannabis produc	ts, and hemp-derived				
53.10	consumer prod	ucts that are requir	ed to be entered	into the statewide m	ionitoring system				
53.11	must be docum	ented in the statew	vide monitoring	system.					
53.12	Sec. 69. Mini	iesota Statutes 202	4, section 342.4	3, subdivision 1, is a	mended to read:				
53.13	Subdivision	1. License types.	The office shall is	ssue the following typ	pes of hemp business				
53.14	licenses:								
53.15	(1) lower-po	otency hemp edible	e manufacturer;	and					
53.16	<u>(2) lower-p</u>	otency hemp edible	e wholesaler; and	<u>d</u>					
53.17	(<u>2) (3)</u> lowe	er-potency hemp ec	lible retailer.						
53.18	Sec. 70. Mini	iesota Statutes 202	4, section 342.4	3, subdivision 2, is a	mended to read:				
53.19	Subd. 2. M	altiple licenses; lir	nits. (a) A person	n, cooperative, or bus	siness may hold both				
53.20	any combination	on of a lower-poter	cy hemp edible	manufacturer <u>, a low</u>	er-potency hemp				
53.21	edible wholesa	ler, and <u>a</u> lower-po	tency hemp edib	ble retailer license.					
53.22	(b) Nothing	in this section pro	hibits a person,	cooperative, or busir	ness from holding a				
53.23	lower-potency	hemp edible manu	facturer license,	a lower-potency hen	np edible wholesaler				
53.24	<u>license, a lower</u>	r-potency hemp ed	ible retailer licer	nse, or both any com	bination of those				
53.25	licenses, and al	so holding a licens	se to cultivate in	dustrial hemp issued	pursuant to chapter				
53.26	18K.								
53.27	(c) Nothing	in this section pro	hibits a person, o	cooperative, or busin	ness from holding a				
53.28	lower-potency	hemp edible manu	facturer license,	a lower-potency hen	np edible wholesaler				
53.29	<u>license, a</u> lower	r-potency hemp ed	ible retailer licer	nse, or both any com	bination of those				
53.30	licenses, and al	so holding any othe	er license, includ	ing but not limited to	a license to prepare				

or sell food; sell tobacco, tobacco-related devices, electronic delivery devices as defined in
section 609.685, subdivision 1, and nicotine and lobelia delivery products as described in
section 609.6855; or manufacture or sell alcoholic beverages as defined in section 340A.101,
subdivision 2.

(d) A person, cooperative, or business holding a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer
license, <u>a lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler license</u>, a lower-potency hemp edible
retailer license, or <u>both any combination of those licenses</u>, may not hold a cannabis business
license.

54.9 Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.43, is amended by adding a subdivision to 54.10 read:

54.11 Subd. 3. Exception; municipal or county licenses. Notwithstanding any law to the
54.12 contrary, a city or county that establishes, owns, or operates a municipal cannabis store may
54.13 also hold a lower-potency hemp edible retailer license.

54.14 Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.44, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

54.15 Subdivision 1. Application; contents. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this 54.16 subdivision, the provisions of this chapter relating to license applications, license selection 54.17 criteria, general ownership disqualifications and requirements, and general operational 54.18 requirements do not apply to hemp businesses.

(b) The office, by rule, shall establish forms and procedures for the processing of hemp
licenses issued under this chapter. At a minimum, any application to obtain or renew a hemp
license shall include the following information, if applicable:

54.22 (1) the name, address, and date of birth of the applicant;

54.23 (2) the address and legal property description of the business;

- 54.24 (3) proof of trade name registration;
- 54.25 (4) certification that the applicant will comply with the requirements of this chapter54.26 relating to the ownership and operation of a hemp business;

54.27 (5) identification of one or more controlling persons or managerial employees as agents54.28 who shall be responsible for dealing with the office on all matters; and

(6) a statement that the applicant agrees to respond to the office's supplemental requestsfor information.

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55.1	(c) An applicant for a lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer license must submit an
55.2	attestation signed by a bona fide labor organization stating that the applicant has entered
55.3	into a labor peace agreement. A labor peace agreement entered into on or after August 15,
55.4	2025, must address the duration of the election.
55.5	(d) An application on behalf of a corporation or association shall be signed by at least
55.6	two officers or managing agents of that entity.
55.7	Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.45, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
55.8	Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer license,
55.9	consistent with the specific license endorsement or endorsements, entitles the license holder
55.10	to:
55.11	(1) purchase hemp plant parts, hemp concentrate, and artificially derived cannabinoids
55.12	from cannabis microbusinesses, cannabis mezzobusinesses, cannabis manufacturers, cannabis
55.13	wholesalers, and lower-potency hemp edible manufacturers;
55.14	(2) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from industrial hemp growers licensed
55.15	under chapter 18K;
55.16	(3) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter
55.17	18K;
55.18	(4) make hemp concentrate;
55.19	(5) manufacture artificially derived cannabinoids;
55.20	(6) manufacture lower-potency hemp edibles for public consumption;
55.21	(7) package and label lower-potency hemp edibles for sale to customers;
55.22	(8) sell hemp concentrate, artificially derived cannabinoids, and lower-potency hemp
55.23	edibles to other cannabis businesses and hemp businesses; and
55.24	(9) manufacture, package, and label products containing cannabinoids that are intended
55.25	for sale outside of the state;
55.26	(10) store products containing cannabinoids that are intended for sale outside of the
55.27	state;
55.28	(11) sell products containing cannabinoids that do not qualify as lower-potency hemp
55.29	edibles but are compliant with the importing state's requirements to customers outside of
55.30	the state; and
55.31	(9) (12) perform other actions approved by the office.

Sec. 73.

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56.1	Sec. 74. Minn	esota Statutes 2024	4, section 342.4	15, is amended by addi	ing a subdivision to
56.2	read:				
56.3	Subd. 4a. Pr	oducts intended f	or sale in othe	· jurisdictions. (a) A lo	ower-potency hemp
56.4	edible manufact	turer that produces	products conta	aining cannabinoids th	at do not qualify as
56.5	lower-potency l	emp edibles and a	re intended for	sale only in jurisdiction	ons other than
56.6	Minnesota must	t obtain a hemp pro	oduct exporter	endorsement from the	office.
56.7	(b) All areas	within the premise	es of a lower-po	otency hemp edible ma	unufacturer used for
56.8	producing prod	ucts containing car	nnabinoids that	do not qualify as lowe	er-potency hemp
56.9	edibles must me	et the sanitary star	ndards specifie	d in rules adopted by t	he office.
56.10	(c) A lower-	potency hemp edil	ble manufactur	er must not add any ca	annabis flower,
56.11	cannabis concer	ntrate, or cannabing	oid derived fror	n cannabis flower or ca	annabis concentrate
56.12	to products con	taining cannabinoi	ds that do not c	ualify as lower-poten	cy hemp edibles.
56.13	(d) All prod	ucts containing car	nnabinoids that	do not qualify as lowe	er-potency hemp
56.14	edibles and are	intended, distribut	ed, and offered	for sale only in jurisd	ictions other than
56.15	Minnesota must	t be physically sep	arated from all	lower-potency hemp	edibles during the
56.16	manufacturing,	packaging, and lab	beling process.		
56.17	(e) All produ	acts containing car	nabinoids that	do not qualify as lowe	er-potency hemp
56.18	edibles and are	intended, distribut	ed, and offered	for sale only in jurisd	ictions other than
56.19	Minnesota must	t be tested as provi	ded in section	342.61 and must meet	all standards
56.20	established by t	he office except fo	r any limits on	the amount of any car	mabinoid a product
56.21	may contain. Th	e packaging of suc	ch products mus	st contain verification t	hat the product was
56.22	tested according	g to section 342.61	and that the pr	oduct complies with a	pplicable standards
56.23	except for any li	mits on the amount	of any cannabin	noid a product may con	tain. The packaging
56.24	must also inclue	le the product's ba	tch number and	the cannabinoid prof	ile per serving and
56.25	<u>in total.</u>				
56.26	(f) The pack	aging of all produc	cts containing o	cannabinoids that do n	ot qualify as
56.27	lower-potency l	emp edibles and a	re intended, di	stributed, and offered	for sale only in
56.28	jurisdictions oth	er than Minnesota	must clearly s	tate that the products a	are not for sale in
56.29	Minnesota.				
56.30	(g) A lower-	potency hemp edi	ble manufactur	er may only sell or off	er for sale products
56.31	containing cann	abinoids to custom	ners outside of t	he state if the products	are compliant with
56.32	the importing st	ate's requirements	<u>-</u>		

57.1	(h) A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer must not sell or offer for sale products
57.2	containing cannabinoids that do not qualify as lower-potency hemp edibles in Minnesota
57.3	and must not manufacture, distribute, or store such products knowing or having reason to
57.4	know that the products will be sold in Minnesota. A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer
57.5	selling such products must ensure that the products are not sold in Minnesota by notifying
57.6	the distributor, wholesaler, retail business, or other person purchasing a product that sale
57.7	of the products in Minnesota could result in the imposition of civil or criminal penalties and
57.8	in the termination of any contract between the lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer
57.9	and the distributor, wholesaler, retail business, or other person purchasing the product.
57.10	(i) The office may suspend, revoke, or cancel the license or endorsement of a
57.11	lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer who is prohibited from distributing products
57.12	containing cannabinoids in any other jurisdiction, convicted of an offense involving the
57.13	distribution of products containing cannabinoids in any other jurisdiction, or found liable
57.14	for distributing any product that injured customers in any other jurisdiction. A lower-potency
57.15	hemp edible manufacturer shall disclose all relevant information related to actions in another
57.16	jurisdiction. Failure to disclose relevant information may result in disciplinary action by
57.17	the office, including the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of an endorsement or license.
57.18	Sec. 75. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.45, is amended by adding a subdivision to
57.19	read:
57.20	Subd. 6. Building conditions. (a) A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer must
57.21	comply with state and local building, fire, and zoning codes, requirements, and regulations.
57.22	(b) A lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer must ensure that licensed premises are
57.23	maintained in a clean and sanitary condition and are free from infestation by insects, rodents,
57.24	or other pests.
57.25	Sec. 76. [342.455] LOWER-POTENCY HEMP EDIBLE WHOLESALER.
57.26	Subdivision 1. Authorized actions. A lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler license,
57.27	consistent with the specific license endorsement or endorsements, entitles the license holder
57.28	to perform any or all of the following within the limits established by this section:
57.29	(1) purchase lower-potency hemp edibles from cannabis microbusinesses, cannabis
57.30	mezzobusinesses, cannabis cultivators, cannabis manufacturers, cannabis wholesalers, other
57.31	lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers, and lower-potency hemp edible manufacturers;

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58.1	(2) sell lower-potency hemp edibles to lower-potency hemp edible retailers with a retail
58.2	endorsement, cannabis microbusinesses with a retail endorsement, cannabis mezzobusinesses
58.3	with a retail endorsement, cannabis retailers, cannabis wholesalers, medical cannabis
58.4	combination businesses, and other lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers;
58.5	(3) import lower-potency hemp edibles that contain hemp concentrate or artificially
58.6	derived cannabinoids that are derived from hemp plants or hemp plant parts;
58.7	(4) purchase and store products containing cannabinoids that are intended for sale outside
58.8	of the state;
30.0	<u>or the state</u> ,
58.9	(5) sell products containing cannabinoids that do not qualify as lower-potency hemp
58.10	edibles to customers outside of the state; and
58.11	(6) perform other actions approved by the office.
58.12	Subd. 2. Operations; physical presence. (a) A lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler
58.13	must maintain accurate records and ensure that appropriate labels remain affixed to
58.14	lower-potency hemp edibles.
58.15	(b) A lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler must maintain compliance with state and
58.16	local building, fire, and zoning requirements or regulations and must ensure that the
58.17	wholesaler's premises are maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, free from infestation
58.18	by insects, rodents, or other pests.
58.19	(c) A lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler may purchase and sell other products or
58.20	items for which the wholesaler has a license or an authorization or that do not require a
58.21	license or an authorization. Products for which no license or authorization is required include
58.22	but are not limited to industrial hemp products, products that contain hemp grain,
58.23	hemp-derived topical products, and cannabis paraphernalia. Cannabis paraphernalia includes
58.24	but is not limited to childproof packaging containers and other devices designed to ensure
58.25	the safe storage and monitoring of cannabis flower and cannabis products in the home to
58.26	prevent access by individuals under 21 years of age.
58.27	(d) A lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler must own or lease warehouse or office
58.28	space within the state.
58.29	Subd. 3. Importation of lower-potency hemp edibles; endorsement. (a) A
58.30	lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler that imports lower-potency hemp edibles that are
58.31	manufactured outside the boundaries of the state of Minnesota with the intent to sell the
58.32	products to a cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis retailer, cannabis
58.33	wholesaler, medical cannabis combination business, other lower-potency hemp edible

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59.1	wholesaler, c	or lower-potency hem	p edible retailer	must obtain a lower-p	otency hemp edible
59.2		orsement from the of	•	t	
59.3	$(b) \land low$	ver-notency hemn edi	hle wholesaler	with an endorsement i	issued under this
59.4	<u> </u>			le the boundaries of th	
59.5	if:				
		anufacturar is licenses	in another juric	diction and subject to t	agulations designed
59.6 59.7	<u> </u>			diction and subject to r the office determines	
59.7	.	e regulations in this s		the office determines	are substantially
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59.9				establishes, to the satis	<u>,</u>
59.10				e substantially similar	to the practices
59.11	required for	licensure of manufac	turers in this sta	<u>te.</u>	
59.12	<u>(c)</u> The of	ffice may suspend, rev	voke, or cancel t	he license or endorsen	nent of a wholesaler
59.13	who is prohib	bited from distributing	products contain	ning cannabinoids in ar	ny other jurisdiction,
59.14	convicted of	an offense involving	the distribution	of products containing	ng cannabinoids in
59.15	any other jur	isdiction, or found lia	ble for distribut	ing any product that i	njured customers in
59.16	any other jur	isdiction. A lower-po	otency hemp edi	ble wholesaler shall c	lisclose all relevant
59.17	information 1	elated to actions in an	other jurisdictic	n. Failure to disclose n	elevant information
59.18	may result in	disciplinary action b	by the office, ind	cluding the suspension	n, revocation, or
59.19	cancellation	of an endorsement or	·license.		
59.20	(d) Notw	ithstanding any law t	o the contrary, i	t is not a defense in a	ny civil or criminal
59.21	action that a	wholesaler relied on	information on	a product label or oth	erwise provided by
59.22	a manufactur	rer who is not license	d in this state.		
59.23	Subd. 4.	Products intended fo	or sale in other	jurisdictions. (a) A le	ower-potency hemp
59.24	edible whole	saler that purchases, s	tores, transports	, or sells products cont	aining cannabinoids
59.25	that do not q	ualify as lower-poten	cy hemp edible	s and are intended for	sale only in
59.26	jurisdictions	other than Minnesota	a must obtain a l	nemp product exporte	r endorsement from
59.27	the office.				
59.28	(b) All pr	oducts containing ca	nnabinoids that	do not qualify as low	er-potency hemp
59.29	edibles and a	re intended, distribut	ed, and offered	for sale only in jurisd	ictions other than
59.30	Minnesota m	ust be physically sep	arated from all	lower-potency hemp	edibles and must be
59.31	in packaging	that clearly states the	at the products a	are not for sale in Mir	inesota.
59.32	(c) All pr	oducts containing car	nnabinoids that	do not qualify as low	er-potency hemp
59.33	edibles and a	re intended, distribut	ed, and offered	for sale only in jurisd	ictions other than

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nt Minnesota must be packaged in a manner that includes verification that the product was 60.1 tested according to section 342.61 and that the product complies with applicable standards 60.2 60.3 except for any limits on the amount of any cannabinoid a product may contain. The packaging must also include the product's batch number and the cannabinoid profile per serving and 60.4 in total. 60.5 (d) A lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler must not sell or offer for sale products 60.6 containing cannabinoids that do not qualify as lower-potency hemp edibles in Minnesota 60.7 60.8 and must not distribute or store such products knowing or having reason to know that the products will be sold in Minnesota. 60.9 60.10 (e) The office may suspend, revoke, or cancel the license or endorsement of a lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler who is prohibited from distributing products 60.11 containing cannabinoids in any other jurisdiction, convicted of an offense involving the 60.12 distribution of products containing cannabinoids in any other jurisdiction, or found liable 60.13 for distributing any product that injured customers in any other jurisdiction. A lower-potency 60.14 hemp edible wholesaler shall disclose all relevant information related to actions in another 60.15 jurisdiction. Failure to disclose relevant information may result in disciplinary action by 60.16 60.17 the office, including the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of an endorsement or license. Subd. 5. Transportation of lower-potency hemp edibles; endorsement. (a) A 60.18 lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler that transports lower-potency hemp edibles to a 60.19 cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis retailer, cannabis wholesaler, 60.20 medical cannabis combination business, different lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler, 60.21 or lower-potency hemp edible retailer must obtain a lower-potency hemp edible transporter 60.22 endorsement from the office. 60.23 (b) In addition to the information required to be submitted under section 342.44, 60.24 60.25 subdivision 1, and rules adopted pursuant to that section, a person, cooperative, or business 60.26 seeking a lower-potency hemp edible transporter endorsement must submit the following information in a form approved by the office: 60.27 60.28 (1) an appropriate surety bond, a certificate of insurance, qualifications as a self-insurer, or other securities or agreements, in the amount of not less than \$300,000, for loss of or 60.29

damage to cargo; 60.30

(2) an appropriate surety bond, a certificate of insurance, qualifications as a self-insurer, 60.31

or other securities or agreements, in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000, for injury to 60.32

60.33 one or more persons in any one accident and, if an accident has resulted in injury to or

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61.1	destruction of	f property, of not less	s than \$100,00	00 because of such inju	ry to or destruction
61.2		f others in any one ad			
61.3	(3) the nu	mber and type of equ	ipment the bu	usiness will use to trans	sport lower-potency
61.4	hemp edibles	<u>;</u>			
61.5	(4) a load	ing, transporting, and	l unloading pl	an;	
61.6	(5) a desc	ription of the applica	nt's experienc	e in the distribution or	security business.
61.7	and				security cusiness,
61.8		nce that the husiness	will comply w	vith the applicable oper	ation requirements
61.9	<u> </u>	e being sought.	will comply w	in the applicable oper	
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61.10 61.11	on public roa		ole wholesaler	may transport lower-po	stency hemp edibles
61.12	<u> </u>			ocked, safe, and secure s	
61.13			: in a locked s	torage container that ha	is a separate key or
61.14	combination	pad;			
61.15	(2) the low	wer-potency hemp ed	libles are pack	taged in tamper-eviden	t containers that are
61.16	not visible or	recognizable from o	utside the trar	nsporting vehicle;	
61.17	(3) the low	ver-potency hemp edi	ible wholesale	r has a shipping manife	st in the wholesaler's
61.18	possession th	at describes the conte	ents of all tam	per-evident containers	·
61.19	<u>(4) all dep</u>	partures, arrivals, and	l stops are app	ropriately documented	• <u>•</u>
61.20	(5) no per	son other than a desi	gnated emplo	yee enters a vehicle at	any time that the
61.21	vehicle is trai	nsporting lower-pote	ncy hemp edil	oles;	
61.22	<u>(6) at all t</u>	imes that the vehicle	contains low	er-potency hemp edible	es, the vehicle is (i)
61.23	secured by tur	ming off the ignition,	locking all doc	ors and storage comparti	nents, and removing
61.24	the operating	keys or device, or (i	i) attended by	a lower-potency hemp	edible wholesaler
61.25	employee; an	d			
61.26	(7) the lov	wer-potency hemp ec	lible wholesal	er complies with any o	ther rules adopted
61.27	by the office i	related to the transpor	tation of lowe	r-potency hemp edibles	by a lower-potency
61.28	hemp edible v	wholesaler, except tha	at rules requiri	ng a lower-potency hen	np edible wholesaler
61.29	to randomize	delivery times and r	outes or staff	vehicles with multiple	employees do not
61.30	apply.				
61.31	<u>(</u> d) Any v	ehicle assigned for th	ne purposes of	transporting lower-po	tency hemp edibles
61.32	is subject to i	nspection at any time	<u>e.</u>		

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Sec. 77. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 62.1 Subdivision 1. Sale of lower-potency hemp edibles Authorized actions. (a) A 62.2 lower-potency hemp edible retailer may only sell lower-potency hemp edibles to individuals 62.3 who are at least 21 years of age. license, consistent with the specific license endorsement 62.4 or endorsements, entitles the license holder to perform any or all of the following within 62.5 the limits established by this section: 62.6 (b) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer may sell lower-potency hemp edibles that: 62.7 (1) are obtained purchase lower-potency hemp edibles from a licensed Minnesota cannabis 62.8 microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis manufacturer, cannabis wholesaler, 62.9 medical cannabis combination business, or lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, or 62.10 lower-potency hemp edible wholesaler; and 62.11 (2) meet all applicable packaging and labeling requirements sell lower-potency hemp 62.12 edibles that meet all packaging and labeling requirements to customers who are at least 21 62.13 years of age; 62.14 (3) transport and deliver lower-potency hemp edibles to customers; and 62.15 (4) perform other actions approved by the office. 62.16 Sec. 78. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, is amended by adding a subdivision to 62.17 read: 62.18 Subd. 1a. Retailer operations endorsement. In addition to the information required to 62.19 62.20 be submitted under section 342.44, subdivision 1, a lower-potency hemp edible retailer that intends to operate a retail establishment must indicate that intent in the form and manner 62.21 approved by the office. 62.22 Sec. 79. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, is amended by adding a subdivision to 62.23 62.24 read: Subd. 1b. Delivery endorsement. (a) In addition to the information required to be 62.25 submitted under section 342.44, subdivision 1, a lower-potency hemp edible retailer that 62.26 delivers lower-potency hemp edibles must submit the following information in a form 62.27 approved by the office: 62.28 (1) proof of insurance for each vehicle or general liability insurance with a limit of at 62.29

62.30 least \$1,000,000 for each occurrence;

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63.1	<u>(</u> 2) a busi	ness plan demonstrat	ing policies to	avoid sales of lower-p	otency hemp edibles
63.2	to individual	s who are under 21 y	ears of age; an	<u>d</u>	
63.3	(3) evider	nce that the business	will comply w	ith the applicable oper	ration requirements
63.4	<u> </u>	se being sought.			i
63.5	<u>(b)</u> A low	ver-potency hemp edi	ble retailer wit	h a delivery endorsem	ient:
63.6	(1) must e	ensure that lower-pote	ency hemp edib	les are not visible from	outside the delivery
63.7	vehicle;				
63.8	(2) must	ensure that a vehicle	that contains lo	ower-potency hemp ec	libles is (i) secured
63.9	<u> </u>			storage compartment	
63.10	operating key	ys or device, or (ii) att	tended by a lov	ver-potency hemp edib	ble retailer employee
63.11	or independe	ent contractor acting c	on behalf of the	e lower-potency hemp	edible retailer; and
63.12	(3) must	not use a vehicle or t	railer with an i	nage depicting the typ	pes of items being
63.13	transported,	including but not lim	ited to an imag	e depicting a cannabi	s or hemp leaf, or a
63.14	name sugges	ting that the delivery	vehicle is used	l for transporting low	er-potency hemp
63.15	edibles.				
63.16	<u>(c) Any v</u>	ehicle delivering low	ver-potency her	np edibles is subject t	o inspection at any
63.17	time.				
63.18	<u>(d)</u> The o	ffice may, by policy,	establish limit	s on the amount of low	ver-potency hemp
63.19	edibles that a	u single delivery vehi	cle may transp	ort at any time. If the	office establishes
63.20	limits under	this paragraph, the of	fice must notif	y all lower-potency h	emp edible retailers
63.21	with a delive	ry endorsement of th	e limit and mu	st post the limit on the	e office's publicly
63.22	accessible w	ebsite.			
63.23	Sec. 80. M	innesota Statutes 202	4, section 342.	46, subdivision 3, is a	mended to read:
63.24	Subd. 3. A	Age verification. Pric	or to initiating a	sale or completing a d	elivery, an employee
63.25	or independe	ent contractor of the le	ower-potency	nemp edible retailer m	ust verify that the
63.26	customer is a	t least 21 years of age	e. Section 342.2	7, subdivision 4, appli	es to the verification
63.27	of a custome	r's age.			
63.28	Sec. 81. M	innesota Statutes 202	4, section 342.	46, subdivision 4, is a	mended to read:
63.29	Subd. 4.]	Display and storage	of lower-pote	ncy hemp edibles. A	ower-potency hemp
63.30	edible retaile	r <u>operating a retail lo</u>	ocation shall en	sure that all lower-por	tency hemp edibles,
63.31	other than lo	wer-potency hemp ed	libles that are i	ntended to be consume	ed as a beverage, are
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displayed behind a checkout counter where the public is not permitted or in a locked case.

64.2 All lower-potency hemp edibles that are not displayed must be stored in a secure area.

64.3 Sec. 82. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

64.4 Subd. 5. Transportation of lower-potency hemp edibles. (a) A lower-potency hemp
64.5 edible retailer may transport lower-potency hemp edibles on public roadways provided:

- 64.6 (1) the lower-potency hemp edibles are in final packaging;
- 64.7 (2) the lower-potency hemp edibles are packaged in tamper-evident containers that are
 64.8 not visible or recognizable from outside the transporting vehicle;
- 64.9 (3) the lower-potency hemp edible retailer has a shipping manifest in the lower-potency
 64.10 hemp edible retailer's possession that describes the contents of all tamper-evident containers;

64.11 (4) all departures, arrivals, and stops are appropriately documented;

- 64.12 (5) no person other than a designated employee enters a vehicle at any time that the64.13 vehicle is transporting lower-potency hemp edibles; and
- 64.14 (6) the lower-potency hemp edible retailer complies with any other rules adopted by the
 64.15 office, except that rules requiring a lower-potency hemp edible retailer to randomize delivery
 64.16 times and routes or staff vehicles with multiple employees do not apply.
- 64.17 (b) Any vehicle assigned for the purposes of transporting lower-potency hemp edibles64.18 is subject to inspection at any time.
- 64.19 (c) The requirements under paragraph (a) do not apply to the delivery of lower-potency

64.20 hemp edibles to customers by a lower-potency hemp edible retailer with a delivery

64.21 endorsement.

64.22 Sec. 83. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

64.23 Subd. 6. Compliant products. (a) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer shall ensure

64.24 that all lower-potency hemp edibles products containing cannabinoids offered for sale

- 64.25 <u>qualify as hemp-derived topical products or lower-potency hemp edibles and comply with</u>
- 64.26 the all applicable limits on the amount and types of cannabinoids that a lower-potency hemp

64.27 edible the product can contain, including but not limited to the requirement that lower-potency
64.28 hemp edibles:.

64.29 (1) consist of servings that contain no more than five milligrams of delta-9
 64.30 tetrahydrocannabinol, no more than 25 milligrams of cannabidiol, no more than 25 milligrams

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- 65.1 of cannabigerol, or any combination of those cannabinoids that does not exceed the identified
 65.2 amounts;
- 65.3 (2) do not contain more than a combined total of 0.5 milligrams of all other cannabinoids
 65.4 per serving; and
- 65.5 (3) do not contain an artificially derived cannabinoid other than delta-9

65.6 tetrahydrocannabinol.

(b) If a lower-potency hemp edible is packaged in a manner that includes more than a 65.7 single serving, the lower-potency hemp edible must indicate each serving by scoring, 65.8 wrapping, or other indicators that appear on the lower-potency hemp edible designating the 65.9 individual serving size. If it is not possible to indicate a single serving by scoring or use of 65.10 another indicator that appears on the product, the lower-potency hemp edible may not be 65.11 packaged in a manner that includes more than a single serving in each container, except 65.12 that a calibrated dropper, measuring spoon, or similar device for measuring a single serving 65.13 may be used for any edible cannabinoid products that are intended to be combined with 65.14 food or beverage products prior to consumption. If the lower-potency hemp edible is meant 65.15 to be consumed as a beverage, the beverage container may not contain more than two 65.16 servings per container. 65.17

(c) A single package containing multiple servings of a lower-potency hemp edible must
 contain no more than 50 milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, 250 milligrams of
 cannabidiol, 250 milligrams of cannabigerol, or any combination of those cannabinoids that
 does not exceed the identified amounts.

65.22 Sec. 84. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

65.23 Subd. 7. **Prohibitions.** A lower-potency hemp edible retailer <u>may must</u> not:

65.24 (1) sell <u>or deliver lower-potency hemp edibles to an individual who is under 21 years</u>
65.25 of age;

65.26 (2) sell <u>or deliver a lower-potency hemp edible to a person who is visibly intoxicated;</u>

65.27 (3) sell <u>or deliver</u> cannabis flower, cannabis products, or hemp-derived consumer
65.28 products;

(4) allow for the dispensing of lower-potency hemp edibles in vending machines; or

(5) distribute or allow free samples of lower-potency hemp edibles except when the
business is licensed to permit on-site consumption and samples are consumed within its
licensed premises.

66.1 Sec. 85. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

66.2 Subd. 8. On-site consumption. (a) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer may permit
66.3 on-site consumption of lower-potency hemp edibles on a portion of its premises if it has an
66.4 on-site consumption endorsement.

(b) The office shall issue an on-site consumption endorsement to any lower-potency
hemp edible retailer that also holds an on-sale license issued under chapter 340A.

66.7 (c) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer must ensure that lower-potency hemp edibles
66.8 sold for on-site consumption comply with this chapter and rules adopted pursuant to this
66.9 chapter regarding testing.

66.10 (d) Lower-potency hemp edibles sold for on-site consumption, other than lower-potency
66.11 hemp edibles that are intended to be consumed as a beverage, must be served in the required
66.12 packaging, but may be removed from the products' packaging by customers and consumed
66.13 on site.

(e) Lower-potency hemp edibles that are intended to be consumed as a beverage may
be served outside of the edibles' packaging if the information that is required to be contained
on the label of a lower-potency hemp edible is posted or otherwise displayed by the
lower-potency hemp edible retailer. Hemp workers who serve beverages under this paragraph
are not required to obtain an edible cannabinoid product handler endorsement under section
342.07, subdivision 3.

(f) Food and beverages not otherwise prohibited by this subdivision may be prepared
and sold on site if the lower-potency hemp edible retailer complies with all relevant state
and local laws, ordinances, licensing requirements, and zoning requirements.

(g) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer may offer recorded or live entertainment if the
lower-potency hemp edible retailer complies with all relevant state and local laws, ordinances,
licensing requirements, and zoning requirements.

(h) In addition to the prohibitions under subdivision 7, a lower-potency hemp edibleretailer with an on-site consumption endorsement may not:

66.28 (1) sell, give, furnish, or in any way procure for another lower-potency hemp edibles66.29 for the use of an obviously intoxicated person;

66.30 (2) sell lower-potency hemp edibles that are designed or reasonably expected to be mixed66.31 with an alcoholic beverage; or

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67.1	(3) permit lower-potency hemp edibles that have been removed from the products'
67.2	packaging to be removed from the premises of the lower-potency hemp edible retailer.
67.3	(i) A lower-potency hemp edible retailer is permitted to sell and may permit the
67.4	consumption of lower-potency hemp edibles that are intended to be consumed as a beverage
67.5	at an event hosted off site if:
67.6	(1) the event has been authorized by the local unit of government exercising jurisdiction
67.7	over the location;
67.8	(2) the event organizer holds an on-sale license issued under chapter 340A; and
67.9	(3) the event does not exceed four days.
67.10	Sec. 86. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.46, subdivision 9, is amended to read:
67.11	Subd. 9. Posting of notices. A lower-potency hemp edible retailer with a retail
67.12	endorsement must post all notices as provided in section 342.27, subdivision 6.
67.13	Sec. 87. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.51, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
67.14	Subd. 2. Distribution requirements. (a) Prior to distribution of medical cannabis flower
67.15	or medical cannabinoid products to a person enrolled in the registry program, an employee
67.16	with a valid medical cannabis consultant certificate issued by the office or a licensed
67.17	pharmacist under chapter 151 of a cannabis business must:
67.18	(1) review and confirm the patient's enrollment in the registry program;
67.19	(2) verify that the person requesting the distribution of medical cannabis flower or
67.20	medical cannabinoid products is the patient, the patient's registered designated caregiver,
67.21	or the patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse using the procedures established by the
67.22	office;
67.23	(3) provide confirm that the patient had a consultation to the patient with (i) an employee
67.24	with a valid medical cannabis consultant certificate issued by the office; or (ii) an employee
67.25	who is a licensed pharmacist under chapter 151 to determine the proper medical cannabis
67.26	flower or medical cannabinoid product, dosage, and paraphernalia for the patient if required
67.27	under subdivision 3;
67.28	(4) apply a patient-specific label on the medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid
67.29	product that includes recommended dosage requirements and other information as required
67.30	by the office; and

67.31 (5) provide the patient with any other information required by the office.

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68.1	(b) A cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement may not deliver
68.2	medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products to a person enrolled in the registry
68.3	program unless the cannabis business with a medical cannabis retail endorsement also holds
68.4	a cannabis delivery service license. The delivery of medical cannabis flower and medical
68.5	cannabinoid products are subject to the provisions of section 342.42.
68.6	Sec. 88. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.51, is amended by adding a subdivision to
68.7	read:
68.8	Subd. 2a. Distribution to visiting patients. (a) A cannabis business with a medical
68.9	cannabis retail endorsement may distribute medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid
68.10	products to a visiting patient.
68.11	(b) Before receiving a distribution of medical cannabis, a visiting patient must provide
68.12	to an employee of the cannabis business:
68.13	(1) a valid medical cannabis registration verification card or equivalent document issued
68.14	under the laws and regulations of another state, district, commonwealth, Tribal Nation, or
68.15	territory that indicates that the visiting patient is authorized to use medical cannabis in the
68.16	issuing jurisdiction; and
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68.17	(2) a valid photographic identification card issued by the visiting patient's medical
68.18	cannabis program, a valid driver's license, or a valid state identification card.
68.19	(c) Prior to the distribution of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products
68.20	to a visiting patient, an employee of a cannabis business must:
68.21	(1) ensure that a patient-specific label has been applied to all medical cannabis flower
68.22	and medical cannabinoid products. The label must include the recommended dosage
68.23	requirements and other information required by the office; and
68.24	(2) provide the patient with any other information required by the office.
68.25	(d) For each transaction that involves a visiting patient, a cannabis business with a
68.26	medical cannabis retail endorsement must report to the office on a weekly basis:
68.27	(1) the name of the visiting patient;
68.28	(2) the name of the medical cannabis program in which the visiting patient is enrolled;
68.29	(3) the amount and dosages of medical cannabis distributed;
68.30	(4) the chemical composition of the medical cannabis distributed; and

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69.1	(5) the tra	cking number assigr	ned to the medic	al cannabis that was c	listributed to the
69.2	visiting patien				
69.3	(e) A canr	abis business with a	a medical cannal	ois retail endorsement	may distribute
69.4	medical canna	abis flower and med	ical cannabinoid	l products to a visiting	g patient in a motor
69.5	vehicle if:			-	
69.6	(1) an emp	ployee of the cannab	ois business rece	ives payment and dist	tributes medical
69.7	<u> </u>	•		ts in a designated zon	
69.8	feasible to the	e front door of the fa	cility where the	cannabis business is	located;
69.9	(2) the car	mahis husiness with	a medical cann	abis retail endorseme	nt ensures that the
69.10				nnabis flower and me	
69.11				elevision surveillance c	
69.12		essary security safe			
69.13				abis retail endorsemen	
69.14	medical canna	abis flower or medic	al cannabinoid	products outside a res	tricted access area;
69.15	<u>(4)</u> an emp	loyee of the cannabi	s business transp	oorts medical cannabis	flower and medical
69.16	cannabinoid p	products from a restr	ricted access are	a to the designated zo	ne for distribution
69.17	to patients on	ly after confirming t	hat the visiting p	patient has arrived in the	he designated zone;
69.18	(5) the pay	ment for and distribution	ution of medical	cannabis flower and n	nedical cannabinoid
69.19	products to a	patient only occurs	after meeting the	e requirements in para	igraph (b);
69.20	<u>(6) immed</u>	liately following the	distribution of	medical cannabis flow	ver or medical
69.21	cannabinoid p	products to a patient	, an employee of	f the cannabis busines	s records the
69.22	transaction in	the statewide monit	toring system; a	nd	
69.23	<u>(7) immed</u>	liately following the	distribution of	medical cannabis flow	ver and medical
69.24	cannabinoid p	roducts, an employe	e of the cannabis	business transports al	l payments received
69.25	into the facili	ty where the cannab	is business is lo	cated.	
69.26	Sec. 89. Mi	nnesota Statutes 202	24. section 342.5	15, subdivision 1, is a	amended to read:
69.27				son, cooperative, or b	•
69.28				prohibited from owni	
69.29		*	ousiness or holdi	ng an active registration	on agreement under
69.30	section 152.2	5, subdivision 1.			
69.31	(b) A pers	on or business may	hold only one m	nedical cannabis comb	vination business
69.32	license.				

70.1	(c) A medical cannabis combination business license entitles the license holder to perform
70.2	any or all of the following within the limits established by this section:
70.3	(1) grow cannabis plants from seed or immature plant to mature plant and harvest
70.4	adult-use cannabis flower and medical cannabis flower from a mature plant;
70.5	(2) make cannabis concentrate;
70.6	(3) make hemp concentrate, including hemp concentrate with a delta-9
70.7	tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of more than 0.3 percent as measured by weight;
70.8	(4) manufacture artificially derived cannabinoids;
70.9	(5) manufacture medical cannabinoid products;
70.10	(6) manufacture adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and
70.11	hemp-derived consumer products for public consumption;
70.12	(7) purchase immature cannabis plants and seedlings and cannabis flower from a cannabis
70.13	microbusiness, a cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis manufacturer, a cannabis wholesaler,
70.14	or another medical cannabis combination business;
70.15	(8) purchase hemp plant parts and propagules from an industrial hemp grower licensed
70.16	under chapter 18K;
70.17	(9) purchase cannabis concentrate, hemp concentrate, and artificially derived cannabinoids
70.18	from a cannabis microbusiness, a cannabis mezzobusiness, a cannabis manufacturer, a
70.19	cannabis wholesaler, or another medical cannabis combination business;
70.20	(10) purchase hemp concentrate from an industrial hemp processor licensed under chapter
70.21	18K;
70.22	(11) manufacture, package, and label medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid
70.23	products for sale to cannabis businesses with a medical cannabis processor endorsement,
70.24	cannabis businesses with a medical cannabis retail endorsement, other medical cannabis
70.25	combination businesses, and persons in the registry program;
70.26	(12) transport and deliver medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products
70.27	to medical cannabis processors, medical cannabis retailers, other medical cannabis

70.28 combination businesses, patients enrolled in the registry program, registered designated

70.29 caregivers, and parents, legal guardians, and spouses of an enrolled patient;

(12) (13) manufacture, package, and label adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use cannabis
 products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for sale to
 customers and other cannabis businesses;

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71.1	(13)(14) sell medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products to other cannabis
71.2	businesses with a medical endorsement, other medical cannabis combination businesses,
71.3	and patients enrolled in the registry program, registered designated caregivers, and parents,
71.4	legal guardians, and spouses of an enrolled patient;
71.5	(14)(15) sell immature cannabis plants and seedlings, adult-use cannabis flower, adult-use
71.6	cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, and
71.7	other products authorized by law to other cannabis businesses and to customers; and
71.8	(16) transport immature cannabis plants and seedlings, adult-use cannabis flower,
71.9	adult-use cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products,
71.10	and other products authorized by law to other cannabis businesses;
71.11	(17) sell and transport lower-potency hemp edibles to lower-potency hemp edible retailers
71.12	and lower-potency hemp edible wholesalers; and
71.13	(15) (18) perform other actions approved by the office.
71.14	(d) A medical cannabis combination business is not required to obtain a medical cannabis
71.15	endorsement to perform any actions authorized under this section.
71.16	Sec. 90. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.515, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
71.17	Subd. 7. Transportation between facilities. A medical cannabis combination business
71.18	may transport immature cannabis plants and seedlings, cannabis flower, cannabis products,
71.19	artificially derived cannabinoids, hemp plant parts, hemp concentrate, lower-potency hemp
71.20	edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products between facilities operated by the medical
71.21	cannabis combination business if the medical cannabis combination business:
71.22	(1) provides the office with the information described in section 342.35, subdivision 2;
71.23	and
71.24	(2) complies with the requirements of section 342.36.
71.25	Sec. 91. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.52, is amended by adding a subdivision to
71.26	read:
71.27	Subd. 7a. Allowable delivery methods. A patient in the registry program may receive
71.28	medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products. The office may approve
71.29	additional delivery methods to expand the types of products that qualify as medical
71.30	cannabinoid products.

Sec. 92. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.52, subdivision 9, is amended to read:
Subd. 9. Registered designated caregiver. (a) The office must register a designated
caregiver for a patient if the patient requires assistance in administering medical cannabis
flower or medical cannabinoid products; obtaining medical cannabis flower, medical
cannabinoid products, or medical cannabis paraphernalia from a cannabis business with a
medical cannabis retail endorsement; or cultivating cannabis plants as permitted by section
342.09, subdivision 2.

72.8 (b) In order to serve as a designated caregiver, a person must:

72.9 (1) be at least 18 years of age;

(2) agree to only possess the patient's medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid
products for purposes of assisting the patient; and

(3) agree that if the application is approved, the person will not serve as a registered
designated caregiver for more than six registered patients at one time. Patients who reside
in the same residence count as one patient.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent a registered designated caregiver
from being enrolled in the registry program as a patient and possessing and administering
medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products as a patient.

72.18 (d) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a registered designated caregiver approved to assist a patient enrolled in the registry program with obtaining medical cannabis flower 72.19 may cultivate cannabis plants on behalf of one patient. A registered designated caregiver 72.20 may grow up to eight cannabis plants for the patient household that the registered designated 72.21 caregiver is approved to assist with obtaining medical cannabis flower. If a patient enrolled 72.22 in the registry program directs the patient's registered designated caregiver to cultivate 72.23 cannabis plants on behalf of the patient, the patient must assign the patient's right to cultivate 72.24 72.25 cannabis plants to the registered designated caregiver and the notify the office. A patient who assigns the patient's right to cultivate cannabis plants to a registered caregiver is 72.26 prohibited from cultivating cannabis plants for personal use. Nothing in this paragraph limits 72.27 the right of a registered designated caregiver cultivating cannabis plants on behalf of a 72.28 patient enrolled in the registry program to also cultivate cannabis plants for personal use 72.29 pursuant to section 342.09, subdivision 2. 72.30

Sec. 93. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.56, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

72.32 Subd. 2. **Health care facilities.** (a) Health care facilities licensed under chapter 144A;

72.33 hospice providers licensed under chapter 144A; boarding care homes or supervised living

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facilities licensed under section 144.50; assisted living facilities under chapter 144G; facilities 73.1 owned, controlled, managed, or under common control with hospitals licensed under chapter 73.2 144; and other health care facilities licensed by the commissioner of health or the 73.3 commissioner of human services may adopt reasonable restrictions on the use of medical 73.4 cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, 73.5 hemp-derived consumer products, or hemp-derived topical products by a patient enrolled 73.6 in the registry program who resides at or is actively receiving treatment or care at the facility. 73.7 73.8 The restrictions may include a provision that the facility must not store or maintain a patient's supply of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid cannabis products on behalf of 73.9 the patient; that a patient store the patient's supply of medical cannabis flower or medicinal 73.10 cannabinoid, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer 73.11 products, or hemp-derived topical products in a locked container accessible only to the 73.12 patient, the patient's designated caregiver, or the patient's parent, legal guardian, or spouse; 73.13 that the facility is not responsible for providing medical cannabis or hemp for patients; and 73.14 that medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid, cannabis products, lower-potency 73.15 hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, or hemp-derived topical products are used 73.16 only in a location specified by the facility or provider. Nothing in this subdivision requires 73.17 facilities and providers listed in this subdivision to adopt such restrictions. 73.18

(b) No facility or provider listed in this subdivision may unreasonably limit a patient's 73.19 access to or use of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid, cannabis products, 73.20 lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, or hemp-derived topical 73.21 products to the extent that such use is authorized under sections 342.51 to 342.59, or, in the 73.22 case of a visiting patient, authorized to use cannabis under the laws of their state of residence. 73.23 No facility or provider listed in this subdivision may prohibit a patient access to or use of 73.24 medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid cannabis products due solely to the fact 73.25 that cannabis is a controlled substance pursuant to the federal Uniform Controlled Substances 73.26 73.27 Act. If a federal regulatory agency, the United States Department of Justice, or the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services takes one of the following actions, a facility 73.28 or provider may suspend compliance with this paragraph until the regulatory agency, the 73.29 United States Department of Justice, or the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 73.30 Services notifies the facility or provider that it may resume permitting the use of medical 73.31 cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, 73.32 hemp-derived consumer products, or hemp-derived topical products within the facility or 73.33 in the provider's service setting: 73.34

(1) a federal regulatory agency or the United States Department of Justice initiates 74.1 enforcement action against a facility or provider related to the facility's compliance with 74.2 74.3 the medical cannabis program; or

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(2) a federal regulatory agency, the United States Department of Justice, or the federal 74.4 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services issues a rule or otherwise provides notification 74.5 to the facility or provider that expressly prohibits the use of medical cannabis in health care 74.6 facilities or otherwise prohibits compliance with the medical cannabis program. 74.7

(c) An employee or agent of a facility or provider listed in this subdivision or a person 74.8 licensed under chapter 144E is not violating this chapter or chapter 152 for the possession 74.9 74.10 of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid cannabis products while carrying out employment duties, including providing or supervising care to a patient enrolled in the 74.11 registry program, or distribution of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid cannabis 74.12 products to a patient enrolled in the registry program who resides at or is actively receiving 74.13 treatment or care at the facility or from the provider with which the employee or agent is 74.14 affiliated. 74.15

- (d) Nothing in this subdivision is intended to require a facility covered by this subdivision 74.16 to permit violations of sections 144.411 to 144.417. 74.17
- (e) This subdivision does not apply to sober homes under section 254B.181, except that 74.18 a resident of a sober home who is a patient enrolled in the registry program must have access 74.19 to medical cannabis flower and medical cannabinoid products subject to the restrictions and 74.20 requirements in paragraphs (a) and (b). 74.21

Sec. 94. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.57, is amended to read: 74.22

342.57 PROTECTIONS FOR REGISTRY PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS. 74.23

Subdivision 1. **Presumption.** (a) There is a presumption that a patient or other person 74.24 an individual enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program patient 74.25 is engaged in the authorized use or possession of medical cannabis flower and medical 74.26 cannabinoid products. 74.27

(b) This presumption may be rebutted by evidence that: 74.28

(1) the use or possession of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products 74.29

by a patient or other person enrolled in the registry program was not for the purpose of 74.30

- assisting with, treating, or alleviating the patient's qualifying medical condition or symptoms 74.31
- associated with the patient's qualifying medical condition-; or 74.32

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75.1 (2) a Tribal medical cannabis program patient's use of medical cannabis was not for a 75.2 purpose authorized by the Tribal medical cannabis program.

75.3 Subd. 2. Criminal and civil protections. (a) Subject to section 342.56, the following
75.4 are not violations of this chapter or chapter 152:

(1) use or possession of medical cannabis flower, medical cannabinoid products, or
medical cannabis paraphernalia by a patient enrolled in the registry program or by, a visiting
patient, or a Tribal medical cannabis program patient to whom medical cannabis flower or
medical cannabinoid products are distributed under section 342.51, subdivision 5;

(2) possession of medical cannabis flower, medical cannabinoid products, or medical
cannabis paraphernalia by a registered designated caregiver or a parent, legal guardian, or
spouse of a patient enrolled in the registry program; or

(3) possession of medical cannabis flower, medical cannabinoid products, or medical
cannabis paraphernalia by any person while carrying out duties required under sections
342.51 to 342.60.

(b) The Office of Cannabis Management, members of the Cannabis Advisory Council, 75.15 Office of Cannabis Management employees, agents or contractors of the Office of Cannabis 75.16 Management, members of a Tribal medical cannabis board, a Tribal medical cannabis board's 75.17 staff, a Tribal medical cannabis board's agents or contractors, and health care practitioners 75.18 participating in the registry program are not subject to any civil penalties or disciplinary 75.19 action by the Board of Medical Practice, the Board of Nursing, or any business, occupational, 75.20 or professional licensing board or entity solely for participating in the registry program or 75.21 a Tribal medical cannabis program either in a professional capacity or as a patient. A 75.22 pharmacist licensed under chapter 151 is not subject to any civil penalties or disciplinary 75.23 action by the Board of Pharmacy when acting in accordance with sections 342.51 to 342.60 75.24 either in a professional capacity or as a patient. Nothing in this section prohibits a professional 75.25 licensing board from taking action in response to a violation of law. 75.26

(c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a Cannabis Advisory Council member, the
governor, or an employee of a state agency must not be held civilly or criminally liable for
any injury, loss of property, personal injury, or death caused by any act or omission while
acting within the scope of office or employment under sections 342.51 to 342.60.

(d) Federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities are prohibited from accessing
the registry except when acting pursuant to a valid search warrant. Notwithstanding section
13.09, a violation of this paragraph is a gross misdemeanor.

76.1	(e) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the office and employees of the office must
76.2	not release data or information about an individual contained in any report or document or
76.3	in the registry and must not release data or information obtained about a patient enrolled in
76.4	the registry program, except as provided in sections 342.51 to 342.60. Notwithstanding
76.5	section 13.09, a violation of this paragraph is a gross misdemeanor.
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76.6	(f) No information contained in a report or document, contained in the registry, or
76.7	obtained from a patient under sections 342.51 to 342.60 or from a Tribal medical cannabis
76.8	program patient may be admitted as evidence in a criminal proceeding, unless:
76.9	(1) the information is independently obtained; or
76.10	(2) admission of the information is sought in a criminal proceeding involving a criminal
76.11	violation of sections 342.51 to 342.60.
76.12	(g) Possession of a registry verification or an application for enrollment in the registry
76.13	program and possession of a registry verification or its equivalent issued by a Tribal medical
76.14	cannabis program or application for enrollment in a Tribal medical cannabis program by a
76.15	person entitled to possess the verification or application:
76.16	(1) does not constitute probable cause or reasonable suspicion;
76.17	(2) must not be used to support a search of the person or property of the person with a
76.18	registry verification or application to enroll in the registry program; and
76.19	(3) must not subject the person or the property of the person to inspection by any
76.20	government agency.
76.21	(h) A patient enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program must
76.22	not be subject to any penalty or disciplinary action by an occupational or a professional
76.23	licensing board solely because:
76.24	(1) the patient is enrolled in the registry program or in a Tribal medical cannabis program;
76.25	<u>or</u>
76.26	(2) the patient has a positive test for cannabis components or metabolites.
76.27	Subd. 3. School enrollment; rental property. (a) No school may refuse to enroll or
76.28	otherwise penalize a patient or person enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical
76.29	cannabis program as a pupil solely because the patient or person is enrolled in the registry
76.30	program or a Tribal medical cannabis program, unless failing to do so would violate federal
76.31	law or regulations or cause the school to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under
76.32	federal law or regulations.

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77.1	(b) No landlord may refuse to lease to a patient or person enrolled in the registry program
77.2	or a Tribal medical cannabis program or otherwise penalize a patient or person enrolled in
77.3	the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program solely because the patient or
77.4	person is enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program, unless
77.5	failing to do so would violate federal law or regulations or cause the landlord to lose a
77.6	monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations.
77.7	(c) A school must not refuse to enroll a patient as a pupil solely because cannabis is a
77.8	controlled substance according to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, United States
77.9	Code, title 21, section 812.
77.10	(d) A school must not penalize a pupil who is a patient solely because cannabis is a
77.11	controlled substance according to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, United States
77.12	Code, title 21, section 812.
77.13	(e) A landlord must not refuse to lease a property to a patient solely because cannabis
77.14	is a controlled substance according to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, United States
77.15	Code, title 21, section 812.
77.16	(f) A landlord must not otherwise penalize a patient solely because cannabis is a controlled
77.17	substance according to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, United States Code, title
77.18	21, section 812.

Subd. 4. Medical care. For purposes of medical care, including organ transplants, a
patient's use of medical cannabis flower or medical cannabinoid products according to
sections 342.51 to 342.60, or a Tribal medical cannabis program patient's use of medical
<u>cannabis as authorized by a Tribal medical cannabis program</u>, is considered the equivalent
of the authorized use of a medication used at the discretion of a health care practitioner and
does not disqualify a patient from needed medical care.

Subd. 5. Employment. (a) Unless a failure to do so would violate federal or state law
or regulations or cause an employer to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under
federal law or regulations, an employer may not discriminate against a person in hiring,
termination, or any term or condition of employment, or otherwise penalize a person, if the
discrimination is based on:

(1) the person's status as a patient or person an individual enrolled in the registry program;
 or

77.32 (2) the person's status as a Tribal medical cannabis program patient; or

78.1 (2)(3) a patient's positive drug test for cannabis components or metabolites, unless the 78.2 patient used, possessed, sold, transported, or was impaired by medical cannabis flower or 78.3 a medical cannabinoid product on work premises, during working hours, or while operating 78.4 an employer's machinery, vehicle, or equipment.

(b) An employee who is a patient in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis
program and whose employer requires the employee to undergo drug testing according to
section 181.953 may present the employee's registry verification or verification of enrollment
in a Tribal medical cannabis program as part of the employee's explanation under section
181.953, subdivision 6.

78.10 Subd. 5a. Notice. An employer, a school, or a landlord must provide written notice to

78.11 <u>a patient at least 14 days before the employer, school, or landlord takes an action against</u>

78.12 the patient that is prohibited under subdivision 3 or 5. The written notice must cite the

78.13 specific federal law or regulation that the employer, school, or landlord believes would be

violated if the employer, school, or landlord fails to take action. The notice must specify

78.15 what monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations that the employer,

78.16 school, or landlord would lose if the employer, school, or landlord fails to take action.

Subd. 6. Custody; visitation; parenting time. A person An individual must not be 78.17 denied custody of a minor child or visitation rights or parenting time with a minor child 78.18based solely on the person's individual's status as a patient or person an individual enrolled 78.19 in the registry program or on the individual's status as a Tribal medical cannabis program 78.20 patient. There must be no presumption of neglect or child endangerment for conduct allowed 78.21 under sections 342.51 to 342.60 or under a Tribal medical cannabis program, unless the 78.22 person's individual's behavior creates an unreasonable danger to the safety of the minor as 78.23 established by clear and convincing evidence. 78.24

Subd. 6a. Retaliation prohibited. A school, a landlord, a health care facility, or an
 employer must not retaliate against a patient for asserting the patient's rights or seeking
 remedies under this section or section 152.32.

78.28Subd. 7. Action for damages; injunctive relief. In addition to any other remedy provided78.29by law, a patient or person an individual enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical78.30cannabis program may bring an action for damages against any person who violates78.31subdivision 3, 4, or 5. A person who violates subdivision 3, 4, or 5 is liable to a patient or78.32person an individual enrolled in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program78.33injured by the violation for the greater of the person's actual damages or a civil penalty of

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79.1	<u>\$100_\$1,000</u> an	nd reasonable attorn	ey fees. <u>A patie</u>	ent may bring an action	for injunctive relief
79.2	to prevent or en	nd a violation of su	bdivisions 3 to	<u>6a.</u>	
79.3	Subd. 8. Sa	nctions restricted	for those on p	arole, supervised rele	ase, or conditional
79.4	release. (a) Th	is subdivision appl	ies to an indivi	dual placed on parole,	supervised release,

79.5 or conditional release.

79.6 (b) The commissioner of corrections may not:

79.7 (1) prohibit an individual from participating in the registry program or a Tribal medical
 79.8 cannabis program as a condition of release; or

(2) revoke an individual's parole, supervised release, or conditional release or otherwisesanction an individual solely:

(i) for participating in the registry program or a Tribal medical cannabis program; or

79.12 (ii) for a positive drug test for cannabis components or metabolites.

79.13 Sec. 95. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.59, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Allowable use; prohibited use. Data specified in subdivision 1 may be used 79.14 to comply with chapter 13, to comply with a request from the legislative auditor or the state 79.15 auditor in the performance of official duties, and for purposes specified in sections 342.47 79.16 342.51 to 342.60. Data specified in subdivision 1 and maintained by the Office of Cannabis 79.17 Management or Division of Medical Cannabis must not be used for any purpose not specified 79.18 in sections 342.47 342.51 to 342.60 and must not be combined or linked in any manner 79.19 79.20 with any other list, dataset, or database. Data specified in subdivision 1 must not be shared with any federal agency, federal department, or federal entity unless specifically ordered 79.21 to do so by a state or federal court. 79.22

79.23 Sec. 96. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.61, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Testing of samples; disclosures. (a) On a schedule determined by the office,
every cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis cultivator, cannabis
manufacturer, cannabis wholesaler with an endorsement to import products, lower-potency
hemp edible manufacturer, or medical cannabis combination business shall make each batch
of cannabis flower, cannabis products, artificially derived cannabinoids, lower-potency
hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products grown, manufactured, or imported by
the cannabis business or hemp business available to a cannabis testing facility.

(b) A cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis cultivator, cannabis 80.1 manufacturer, cannabis wholesaler with an endorsement to import products, lower-potency 80.2 hemp edible manufacturer, or medical cannabis combination business must disclose all 80.3 known information regarding pesticides, fertilizers, solvents, or other foreign materials, 80.4 including but not limited to catalysts used in creating artificially derived cannabinoids, 80.5 applied or added to the batch of cannabis flower, cannabis products, artificially derived 80.6 cannabinoids, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products subject to 80.7 80.8 testing. Disclosure must be made to the cannabis testing facility and must include information about all applications by any person, whether intentional or accidental. 80.9

(c) The A cannabis testing facility business shall select one or more representative 80.10 samples from each batch, test the samples for the presence of contaminants, and test the 80.11 samples for potency and homogeneity and to allow the cannabis flower, cannabis product, 80.12 artificially derived cannabinoid, lower-potency hemp edible, or hemp-derived consumer 80.13 product to be accurately labeled with its cannabinoid profile. Testing for contaminants must 80.14 include testing for residual solvents, foreign material, microbiological contaminants, heavy 80.15 metals, pesticide residue, mycotoxins, and any items identified pursuant to paragraph (b), 80.16 and may include testing for other contaminants. A cannabis testing facility must destroy or 80.17 return to the cannabis business or hemp business any part of the sample that remains after 80.18 testing. 80.19

80.20 Sec. 97. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.62, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Packaging requirements. (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), all cannabis
flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products
sold to customers or patients must be:

80.24 (1) prepackaged in packaging or a container that is child-resistant, tamper-evident, and80.25 opaque; or

80.26 (2) placed in packaging or a container that is plain, child-resistant, tamper-evident, and
80.27 opaque at the final point of sale to a customer.

(b) The requirement that packaging be child-resistant does not apply to a lower-potency
hemp edible that is intended to be consumed as a beverage.

(c) If a cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, or a hemp-derived consumer
product is packaged in a manner that includes more than a single serving, each serving must
be indicated by scoring, wrapping, or other indicators designating the individual serving

81.1	size. If the item is a lower-potency hemp edible, serving indicators must meet the
81.2	requirements of section 342.46, subdivision 6, paragraph (b).
81.3	(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (c), any edible cannabinoid products that are intended
81.4	to be combined with food or beverage products before consumption must indicate a single
81.5	serving using one of the following methods:
81.6	(1) the product is packaged in individual servings;
81.7	(2) the product indicates a single serving by scoring or use of another indicator that
81.8	appears on the product; or
81.9	(3) the product is sold with a calibrated dropper, measuring spoon, or similar device for
81.10	measuring a single serving.
81.11	(e) A package containing multiple servings of a lower-potency hemp edible that is not
81.12	intended to be consumed as a beverage must not contain:
81.13	(1) more than 50 milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol;
81.14	(2) more than 1,000 milligrams of cannabidiol, cannabigerol, cannabinol, or
81.15	cannabichromene:
81.16	(3) more than the established limit of any other cannabinoid authorized by the office;
81.17	<u>or</u>
81.18	(4) any combination of those cannabinoids that exceeds the identified amounts for the
81.19	applicable product category.
81.20	(f) A single container containing a lower-potency hemp edible product that is intended
81.21	to be consumed as a beverage must not contain:
81.22	(1) more than ten milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol;
81.23	(2) more than 200 milligrams of cannabidiol, cannabigerol, cannabinol, or
81.24	cannabichromene;
81.25	(3) more than the established limit of any other cannabinoid authorized by the office;
81.26	<u>or</u>
81.27	(4) any combination of those cannabinoids that exceeds the identified amounts for the
81.28	applicable product category.
81.29	$\frac{d}{d}$ (g) Edible cannabis products and lower-potency hemp edibles containing more than
81.30	a single serving must be prepackaged or placed at the final point of sale in packaging or a
81.31	container that is resealable.

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82.1 Sec. 98. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

- Subd. 2. Content of label; cannabis. All cannabis flower and hemp-derived consumer
 products that consist of hemp plant parts sold to customers or patients must have affixed
 on the packaging or container of the cannabis flower or hemp-derived consumer product a
 label that contains at least the following information:
- (1) the name and license number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
 cannabis cultivator, medical cannabis combination business, or industrial hemp grower
 where the cannabis flower or hemp plant part was cultivated;
- (2) the net weight or volume of cannabis flower or hemp plant parts in the package or
 container;

82.11 (3) the batch number;

82.12 (4) the cannabinoid profile;

(5) a universal symbol established by the office indicating that the package or container
contains cannabis flower, a cannabis product, a lower-potency hemp edible, or a
hemp-derived consumer product;

(6) verification that the cannabis flower or hemp plant part was tested according to
section 342.61 and that the cannabis flower or hemp plant part complies with the applicable
standards;

(7) information on the usage of the cannabis flower or hemp-derived consumer product;

(8) the following statement: "Keep this product out of reach of children."; and

(9) any other statements or information required by the office.

82.22 Sec. 99. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Content of label; cannabinoid products. (a) All cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, <u>hemp concentrate</u>, hemp-derived consumer products other
than products subject to the requirements under subdivision 2, medical cannabinoid products,
and hemp-derived topical products sold to customers or patients must have affixed to the
packaging or container of the cannabis product a label that contains at least the following
information:

(1) the name and license number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
cannabis cultivator, medical cannabis combination business, or industrial hemp grower that
cultivated the cannabis flower or hemp plant parts used in the cannabis product,

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83.1 lower-potency hemp edible, hemp-derived consumer product, or medical cannabinoid83.2 product;

(2) the name and license number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
cannabis manufacturer, lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, medical cannabis
combination business, or industrial hemp grower that manufactured the cannabis concentrate,
hemp concentrate, or artificially derived cannabinoid and, if different, the name and license
number of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis manufacturer,
lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, or medical cannabis combination business that
manufactured the product;

(3) the net weight or volume of the cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, or
hemp-derived consumer product in the package or container;

83.12 (4) the type of cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, or hemp-derived consumer83.13 product;

83.14 (5) the batch number;

83.15 (6) the serving size;

83.16 (7) the cannabinoid profile per serving and in total;

83.17 (8) a list of ingredients;

(9) a universal symbol established by the office indicating that the package or container
contains cannabis flower, a cannabis product, a lower-potency hemp edible, or a
hemp-derived consumer product;

(10) a warning symbol developed by the office in consultation with the commissionerof health and the Minnesota Poison Control System that:

(i) is at least three-quarters of an inch tall and six-tenths of an inch wide;

(ii) is in a highly visible color;

- (iii) includes a visual element that is commonly understood to mean a person shouldstop;
- 83.27 (iv) indicates that the product is not for children; and

(v) includes the phone number of the Minnesota Poison Control System;

83.29 (11) verification that the cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, hemp-derived

83.30 consumer product, or medical cannabinoid product was tested according to section 342.61

84.1	and that the cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, hemp-derived consumer product,
84.2	or medical cannabinoid product complies with the applicable standards;
84.3	(12) information on the usage of the product;
84.4	(13) the following statement: "Keep this product out of reach of children."; and
84.5	(14) any other statements or information required by the office.
84.6	(b) The office may by rule establish alternative labeling requirements for lower-potency
84.7	hemp edibles that are imported into the state if those requirements provide consumers with
84.8	information that is substantially similar to the information described in paragraph (a).
84.9	Sec. 100. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
84.10	Subd. 5. Content of label; hemp-derived topical products. (a) All hemp-derived topical
84.11	products sold to customers must have affixed to the packaging or container of the product
84.12	a label that contains at least the following information:
84.13	(1) the manufacturer name, location, phone number, and website;
84.14	(2) the name and address of the independent, accredited laboratory used by the
84.15	manufacturer to test the product;
84.16	(3) the net weight or volume of the product in the package or container;
84.17	(4) the type of topical product;
84.18	(5) the amount or percentage of cannabidiol, cannabigerol, or any other cannabinoid,
84.19	derivative, or extract of hemp, per serving and in total;
84.20	(6) a list of ingredients;
84.21	(7) a statement that the product does not claim to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any
84.22	disease and that the product has not been evaluated or approved by the United States Food
84.23	and Drug Administration, unless the product has been so approved; and
84.24	(8) any other statements or information required by the office.
84.25	(b) The information required in paragraph (a), clauses (1), (2), and (5), may be provided
84.26	through the use of a scannable barcode or matrix barcode that links to a page on a website
84.27	maintained by the manufacturer or distributor if that page contains all of the information
84.28	required by this subdivision.

85.1 Sec. 101. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.63, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Additional information. (a) A cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness,
cannabis retailer, or medical cannabis combination business must provide customers and
patients with the following information:

(1) factual information about impairment effects and the expected timing of impairment
effects, side effects, adverse effects, and health risks of cannabis flower, cannabis products,
lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products;

(2) a statement that customers and patients must not operate a motor vehicle or heavy
machinery while under the influence of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency
hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products;

(3) resources customers and patients may consult to answer questions about cannabis
flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer
products, and any side effects and adverse effects;

(4) contact information for the poison control center and a safety hotline or website for
customers to report and obtain advice about side effects and adverse effects of cannabis
flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer
products;

85.18 (5) substance use disorder treatment options; and

(6) any other information specified by the office.

(b) A cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis retailer, or medical
cannabis combination business may include the information described in paragraph (a) by:

85.22 (1) including the information on the label affixed to the packaging or container of cannabis
85.23 flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products
85.24 by:;

(1) (2) posting the information in the premises of the cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis retailer, or medical cannabis combination business; or

85.27 (2) (3) providing the information on a separate document or pamphlet provided to
85.28 customers or patients when the customer purchases cannabis flower, a cannabis product, a
85.29 lower-potency hemp edible, or a hemp-derived consumer product.

86.1	Sec. 102. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.66, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
86.2 86.3	Subd. 6. Prohibitions. (a) A product sold to consumers under this section must not be manufactured, marketed, distributed, or intended:
86.4 86.5	(1) for external or internal use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or other animals;
86.6	(2) to affect the structure or any function of the bodies of humans or other animals;
86.7 86.8	(3) to be consumed by combustion or vaporization of the product and inhalation of smoke, aerosol, or vapor from the product;
86.9	(4) to be consumed through chewing; or
86.10 86.11	(5) to be consumed through injection or application to <u>nonintact skin or</u> a mucous membrane or <u>nonintact skin</u> , except for products applied sublingually.
86.12 86.13	(b) A product manufactured, marketed, distributed, or sold to consumers under this section must not:
86.14	(1) consist, in whole or in part, of any filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance;
86.15 86.16 86.17	(2) have been produced, prepared, packed, or held under unsanitary conditions where the product may have been rendered injurious to health, or where the product may have been contaminated with filth;
86.18 86.19	(3) be packaged in a container that is composed, in whole or in part, of any poisonous or deleterious substance that may render the contents injurious to health;
86.20 86.21	(4) contain any additives or excipients that have been found by the United States Food and Drug Administration to be unsafe for human or animal consumption;
86.22 86.23	(5) contain a cannabinoid or an amount or percentage of cannabinoids that is different than the information stated on the label;
86.24 86.25 86.26	(6) contain a cannabinoid, other than cannabidiol, cannabigerol, or a cannabinoid approved by the office, in an amount that exceeds the standard established in subdivision $2\underline{3}$, paragraph (c); or
86.27 86.28	(7) contain any contaminants for which testing is required by the office in amounts that exceed the acceptable minimum standards established by the office.
86.29 86.30	(c) No product containing any cannabinoid may be sold to any individual who is under 21 years of age.

- 87.1 Sec. 103. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Eligibility; cannabis offense. (a) A person is eligible for an expungement or
 resentencing to a lesser offense if:
- (1) the person was convicted of, or adjudication was stayed for, a violation of any of the
- 87.5 following a first-, second-, third-, fourth-, or fifth-degree controlled substance crime involving
- 87.6 the sale or possession of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols:
- 87.7 (i) section 152.021, subdivision 1, clause (6);
- 87.8 (ii) section 152.021, subdivision 2, clause (6);
- 87.9 (iii) section 152.022, subdivision 1, clause (5), or clause (7), item (iii);
- 87.10 (iv) section 152.022, subdivision 2, clause (6);
- 87.11 (v) section 152.023, subdivision 1, clause (5);
- 87.12 (vi) section 152.023, subdivision 2, clause (5);
- 87.13 (vii) section 152.024, subdivision (4); or
- 87.14 (viii) section 152.025, subdivision 2, clause (1) under Minnesota Statutes 2023
- 87.15 Supplement, section 152.021, 152.022, 152.023, 152.024, or 152.025, or a previous version
- 87.16 of those or any other statutes criminalizing the possession, sale, transportation, or cultivation
- 87.17 of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols;

(2) the offense did not involve a dangerous weapon, the intentional infliction of bodily
harm on another, an attempt to inflict bodily harm on another, or an act committed with the
intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death;

- (3) the act on which the charge was based would either be a lesser offense or no longerbe a crime after August 1, 2023; and
- (4) the person did not appeal the conviction, any appeal was denied, or the deadline tofile an appeal has expired.
- (b) <u>A person who is eligible for an expungement under paragraph (a) is also eligible for</u>
 an expungement of any other cannabis-related offense that was charged along with the
 underlying crime described in paragraph (a) and was dismissed.
- 87.28 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, a section, the following terms have the meanings
 87.29 given:

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- (1) "cannabis-related offense" means an offense described in paragraph (a), clause (1),
 and also includes an offense described in Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 152.027,
 and divisions 2 and 4 and
- subdivisions 3 and 4; and
- 88.4 (2) "lesser offense" means a nonfelony offense if the person was charged with a felony.

88.5 Sec. 104. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Review and determination. (a) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall review all available records to determine whether the conviction or stay of adjudication is eligible for an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense and, if so, whether any dismissed cannabis-related offense is also eligible for expungement. An expungement under this section is presumed to be in the public interest unless there is clear and convincing evidence that an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense would create a risk to public safety.

(b) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public
interest, the board shall determine whether a person's conviction should be vacated and
charges should be dismissed.

(c) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public
interest, the board shall determine whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision
5a, apply.

(d) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public
interest, the board shall determine whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision
7a, paragraph (b), clause (5), apply.

(e) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is not in the
public interest, the board shall determine whether the person is eligible for resentencing to
a lesser offense.

(f) In making a determination under this subdivision, the Cannabis Expungement Boardshall consider:

(1) the nature and severity of the underlying crime, including but not limited to the total
amount of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols possessed by the person and whether the
offense involved a dangerous weapon, the intentional infliction of bodily harm on another,
an attempt to inflict bodily harm on another, or an act committed with the intent to cause
fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death;

(2) whether an expungement or resentencing the person a lesser offense would increase
the risk, if any, the person poses to other individuals or society;

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(3) if the person is under sentence, whether an expungement or resentencing to a lesser 89.1 offense would result in the release of the person and whether release earlier than the date 89.2 89.3 that the person would be released under the sentence currently being served would present a danger to the public or would be compatible with the welfare of society; 89.4 89.5 (4) aggravating or mitigating factors relating to the underlying crime, including the person's level of participation and the context and circumstances of the underlying crime; 89.6 (5) statements from victims and law enforcement, if any; 89.7 (6) if an expungement or resentencing the person to a lesser offense is considered, 89.8 whether there is good cause to restore the person's right to possess firearms and ammunition; 89.9 (7) if an expungement is considered, whether an expunged record of a conviction or stay 89.10 of adjudication may be opened for purposes of a background check required under section 89.11 122A.18, subdivision 8; and 89.12 (8) whether the person was also charged with other offenses in addition to the underlying 89.13 crime, the disposition of those other charges, and other factors deemed relevant by the 89.14 Cannabis Expungement Board. 89.15 (g) In making a determination under this subdivision, the Cannabis Expungement Board 89.16 shall not consider the impact the expungement would have on the offender based on any 89.17 records held by the Department of Health; Department of Children, Youth, and Families; 89.18 or Department of Human Services. 89.19 (h) The affirmative vote of three members is required for action taken at any meeting. 89.20 Sec. 105. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 10, is amended to read: 89.21 Subd. 10. Notice to judicial branch and offenders. (a) The Cannabis Expungement 89.22 Board shall identify any conviction or, stay of adjudication, or dismissed cannabis-related 89.23 89.24 offense that qualifies for an order of expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense and notify the judicial branch of: 89.25 89.26 (1) the name and date of birth of a person whose conviction or stay of adjudication is eligible for an order of expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense; 89.27 (2) the court file number of the eligible conviction or stay of adjudication; 89.28 (3) whether the person is eligible for an expungement; 89.29 89.30 (4) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the person's conviction should be vacated and charges should be dismissed; 89.31

- 90.1 (5) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether there is good cause to restore90.2 the offender's right to possess firearms and ammunition;
- 90.3 (6) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the limitations under section
 90.4 609A.03, subdivision 7a, paragraph (b), clause (5), apply; and
- 90.5 (7) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the expungement should also
 90.6 apply to any dismissed cannabis-related offense in addition to the underlying crime; and
- 90.7 (8) if the person is eligible for resentencing to a lesser offense, the lesser sentence to be
 90.8 imposed.

90.9 (b) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to
90.10 notify any person whose conviction or stay of adjudication qualifies for an order of
90.11 expungement that the offense qualifies and notice is being sent to the judicial branch. Notice
90.12 sent pursuant to this paragraph shall inform the person that, following the order of
90.13 expungement, any records of an arrest, conviction, or incarceration should not appear on
90.14 any background check or study.

90.15 Sec. 106. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. Order of expungement. (a) Upon receiving notice that an offense qualifies 90.16 for expungement, the court shall issue an order sealing all records relating to an arrest, 90.17 indictment or information, trial, verdict, or dismissal and discharge for an offense described 90.18 in subdivision 3, and any dismissed cannabis-related offense identified by the Cannabis 90.19 90.20 Expungement Board as eligible for expungement. In addition, the court shall order the sealing of all records, including those pertaining to probation, incarceration, or supervision, 90.21 held by the Department of Corrections or local correctional officials. The courts shall not 90.22 order the Department of Health; the Department of Children, Youth, and Families; or the 90.23 Department of Human Services to seal records under this section. If the Cannabis 90.24 90.25 Expungement Board determined that the person's conviction should be vacated and charges should be dismissed, the order shall vacate and dismiss the charges. 90.26

90.27 (b) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that there is good cause to restore
90.28 the person's right to possess firearms and ammunition, the court shall issue an order pursuant
90.29 to section 609.165, subdivision 1d.

90.30 (c) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that an expunged record of a
90.31 conviction or stay of adjudication may not be opened for purposes of a background check
90.32 required under section 122A.18, subdivision 8, the court shall direct the order specifically
90.33 to the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board.

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91.1 (d) The court administrator shall send a copy of an expungement order issued under this
91.2 section to each agency and jurisdiction whose records are affected by the terms of the order
91.3 and send a letter to the last known address of the person whose offense has been expunged
91.4 identifying each agency to which the order was sent.

91.5 (e) In consultation with the commissioner of human services, the court shall establish a
91.6 schedule on which it shall provide the commissioner of human services a list identifying
91.7 the name and court file number or, if no court file number is available, the citation number
91.8 of each record for a person who received an expungement under this section.

91.9 (f) Data on the person whose offense has been expunged in a letter sent under this91.10 subdivision are private data on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12.

91.11 Sec. 107. CANNABIS SUPPLY CHAIN STREAMLINING; PROPOSAL.

91.12 By January 15, 2026, the Office of Cannabis Management must submit a proposal to

91.13 the chairs, co-chairs, and ranking members of the legislative committees and divisions with

91.14 jurisdiction over cannabis policy on the streamlining of the cannabis supply chain. The

91.15 proposal must address adult-use cannabis and medical cannabis to allow for the cultivation,

91.16 manufacturing, storage, and use of equipment in a manner that promotes efficiency, permits

91.17 <u>co-location, and authorizes the use of equipment for multiple purposes. The proposal must</u>

91.18 preserve access to medical cannabis for rare and childhood diseases.

91.19 Sec. 108. **REPEALER.**

91.20 Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 152.22, subdivision 2; 342.151, subdivision 1; and

- 91.21 342.36, subdivision 5, are repealed.
- 91.22 Sec. 109. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 91.23 This act is effective the day following final enactment.

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152.22 DEFINITIONS.

Subd. 2. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.

342.151 EMPLOYEES OF LICENSE HOLDERS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, a "license holder" includes a cannabis microbusiness, cannabis mezzobusiness, cannabis cultivator, cannabis manufacturer, cannabis retailer, cannabis wholesaler, cannabis transporter, cannabis testing facility, cannabis event organizer, cannabis delivery service, lower-potency hemp edible manufacturer, lower-potency hemp edible retailer, or medical cannabis combination business.

342.36 CANNABIS TRANSPORTER OPERATIONS.

Subd. 5. **Randomized deliveries.** A cannabis transporter shall ensure that all delivery times and routes are randomized.