

HOUSE No. 4087

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, September 11, 2023.

The committee on Cannabis Policy to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 50) of Ryan C. Fattman, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to further defining eligibility for medical marijuana use and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 119) of Michael J. Soter and others for legislation to further regulate eligibility for medical use marijuana, and reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4087) ought to pass.

For the committee,

DANIEL M. DONAHUE.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act further defining eligibility for medical use marijuana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 94I of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of “Debilitating medical
3 condition” and inserting in place thereof the following definition:-

4 “Debilitating medical condition”, cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human
5 immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune deficiency syndrome, hepatitis C, amyotrophic lateral
6 sclerosis, Crohn's disease, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, post-traumatic stress disorder,
7 opioid use disorder, and other conditions as determined in writing by a registered qualifying
8 patient's registered healthcare professional.

9 SECTION 2. Said section 1 of said chapter 94I of the General Laws, as so appearing, is
10 hereby further amended by striking out the definition of “Qualifying patient” and inserting in
11 place thereof the following definition:-

12 “Qualifying patient”, (1) a person who has been diagnosed by a registered healthcare
13 professional as having a debilitating medical condition, or (2) a veteran receiving their health

- 14 care at a federal Veterans Administration facility who provides documentation from the Veterans
- 15 Administration indicating a diagnosis of a debilitating medical condition.