An Act To Provide Reasonable Accommodations for School Attendance for Children Certified for the Medical Use of Marijuana

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6306 is enacted to read:

§6306. Eligibility to attend school

A child who holds a written certification for the medical use of marijuana under Title 22, section 2423-B may not be denied eligibility to attend school solely because the child requires medical marijuana in a nonsmokeable form as a reasonable accommodation necessary for the child to attend school.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2426, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by IB 2009, c. 1, §5, is amended to read:

B. Possess Except as provided in subsection 1-A, possess marijuana or otherwise engage in the medical use of marijuana:

   (1) In a school bus;
   (2) On the grounds of any preschool or primary or secondary school; or
   (3) In any correctional facility;

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §2426, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. School exceptions. Notwithstanding subsection 1, paragraph B, a primary caregiver designated pursuant to section 2423-A, subsection 1, paragraph E may possess and administer marijuana in a nonsmokeable form in a school bus and on the grounds of the preschool or primary or secondary school in which a minor qualifying patient is enrolled only if:

   A. A medical provider has provided the minor qualifying patient with a current written certification for the medical use of marijuana under this chapter; and
B. Possession of marijuana in a nonsmokeable form is for the purpose of administering marijuana in a nonsmokeable form to the minor qualifying patient.