SENATE CHAMBER STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

FLOOR AMENDMENT

No.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

(Date) I move to amend Senate Bill No. 437, by the attached floor substitute (Request #2044) for the title, enacting clause and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by for Garvin

I hereby grant permission for the floor substitute to be adopted.

Senator Coleman, Chair (required)

Senator Thompson (Kristen)

Senator Brooks

Senator

Senator Haste

Senator Jett

Senator Treat, President Pro Tempore

Senator Newhouse

Senator Prieto

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Senator Young

Senator McCortney, Majority Floor Leader

Note: Business and Commerce committee majority requires seven (7) members' signatures.

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Senator Weaver

1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA			
2	1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)			
3	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE FOR			
4	SENATE BILL NO. 437 By: Garvin of the Senate			
5	and			
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9	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE			
10	An Act relating to medical marijuana; amending 63			
11	O.S. 2021, Section 427.10, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section			
12	427.10), which relates to physicians who may provide a recommendation; directing creation of certain registry; requiring registration by physicians; requiring compliance with medical education and continuing medical education requirements; authorizing the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority			
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15	to provide for certain conferences, meetings, or training sessions; directing promulgation of certain			
16	rules in consultation with specified boards; amending Section 3, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp.			
17	2022, Section 427.14b), which relates to credentials required for employees to work in licensed medical			
18	marijuana business; requiring dispensary employees to comply with education and continuing education			
19	requirements; directing promulgation of certain rules; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.21, as			
20	amended by Section 2, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.21), which relates to			
21	advertising; prohibiting certain types of events to be hosted or advertised; providing for the			
22	promulgation of rules for certain events; updating statutory language; updating statutory reference; and			
23	providing an effective date.			

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

2 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.10, as 3 amended by Section 12, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 4 Section 427.10), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.10. A. Only licensed Oklahoma allopathic,
osteopathic and podiatric physicians may provide a medical marijuana
recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license under the
Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act.

9 B. A physician who has not completed his or her first residency 10 shall not meet the definition of "physician" under this section and 11 any recommendation for a medical marijuana patient license shall not 12 be processed by the <u>Oklahoma Medical Marijuana</u> Authority.

C. No physician shall be subject to arrest, prosecution or 13 penalty in any manner or denied any right or privilege under state, 14 municipal or county statute, ordinance or resolution, including 15 without limitation a civil penalty or disciplinary action by the 16 State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of 17 Osteopathic Examiners, the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or 18 by any other business, occupation or professional licensing board or 19 bureau, solely for providing a medical marijuana recommendation for 20 a patient or for monitoring, treating or prescribing scheduled 21 medication to patients who are medical marijuana licensees. 22 The provisions of this subsection shall not prevent the relevant 23 professional licensing boards from sanctioning a physician for 24

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1 failing to properly evaluate the medical condition of a patient or 2 for otherwise violating the applicable physician-patient standard of 3 care.

D. A physician who recommends use of medical marijuana shall
not be located at the same physical address as a licensed medical
marijuana dispensary.

E. If the physician determines the continued use of medical marijuana by the patient no longer meets the requirements set forth in the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana and Patient Protection Act, the physician shall notify the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority and the license shall be immediately voided without right to an individual proceeding.

F. The Authority shall create and maintain a registry of recommending physicians. Beginning January 1, 2025, to be eligible to provide a medical marijuana recommendation to a licensed patient, a physician shall be registered with the Authority.

G. To be registered with the Authority, a physician shall
comply with the medical education and continuing medical education
requirements described in subsection I of this section and shall
meet all other requirements established by law or rule for
recommending physicians.
H. The Authority is hereby authorized to enter into contracts

23 and agreements for the payment of food, lodging, and other

24 authorized expenses as may be necessary to host, conduct, sponsor,

1 or participate in conferences, meetings, or training sessions. The 2 Authority may establish accounts as necessary for the collection and distribution of funds, including funds of sponsors and registration 3 fees, related to such conferences, meetings, and training sessions. 4 5 Any expenses incurred may be paid directly to the contacting agency 6 or business establishment. I. The Executive Director of the Authority shall promulgate 7 rules to establish medical education and continuing medical 8 9 education requirements for recommending physicians. In promulgating such rules, the Executive Director shall consult with the State 10

11 | Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of

12 Osteopathic Examiners, and the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners,

13 and the Executive Director may consult with associations

14 representing licensees of such boards.

15 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 16 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 427.14b), is amended to read as 17 follows:

Section 427.14b. A. <u>1.</u> Beginning January 1, 2024, the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority shall require employees of a medical marijuana business licensee to apply for and receive a credential authorizing the employee to work in a licensed medical marijuana business.

23 <u>2. Beginning January 1, 2025, to be eligible for such</u>
 24 credential, employees of medical marijuana dispensaries shall comply

1 with the education and continuing education requirements described 2 in subsection G of this section and shall meet all other 3 requirements established by law or rule for employees of a medical

4 <u>marijuana business licensee.</u>

B. The Authority may contract with one or more third-party
vendors to provide the credentialing services necessary to carry out
the provisions of this section.

8 C. The Authority shall determine the services to be provided by 9 such third-party vendor and shall establish costs and prices. If 10 contracted for credentialing services, a third-party vendor shall on 11 behalf of the Authority conduct the background checks and verify 12 eligibility and suitability for any employees of a medical marijuana 13 business license holder to obtain a credential.

D. Upon successful completion by the third-party vendor of the statutorily required background checks and verification of eligibility and suitability for an employee, the third-party vendor shall issue a credential to the employee. The results of background checks and verifications shall be provided to the Authority by the third-party vendor.

E. If the third-party vendor determines that an employee of a medical marijuana business holder does not meet the minimum statutory requirements for a credential, the applicant or employee shall have no recourse against the third-party vendor but may appeal such adverse determination to the Authority.

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F. The third-party vendor shall not be civilly liable to an
applicant, licensee, or employee of a licensee for any acts taken in
good-faith compliance with the provisions of Section 420 et seq. of
Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana
and Patient Protection Act and the rules promulgated by the Oklahoma
Medical Marijuana Authority.

G. <u>1.</u> The Executive Director of the Authority may promulgate
8 rules to implement the provisions of this section.

9 <u>2. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to, education</u>
 10 <u>and continuing education requirements for employees of medical</u>
 11 marijuana dispensaries.

12 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 427.21, as 13 amended by Section 2, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2022 (63 O.S. Supp. 2022, 14 Section 427.21), is amended to read as follows:

Section 427.21. A. A medical marijuana business shall notengage in advertising that is deceptive, false or misleading.

B. Medical marijuana advertising shall not contain anystatement or illustration that:

19 1. Promotes overconsumption;

20 2. Represents that the use of marijuana has curative or21 therapeutic effects; or

3. Depicts a child or other person under legal age to consume marijuana, or includes:

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- a. objects such as toys or cartoon or other characters,
 which suggest the presence of a child, or any other
 depiction designed in any manner to be especially
 appealing to children or other persons under legal age
 to consume marijuana, or
- b. any manner or design that would be especially
 appealing to children or other persons under eighteen
 (18) years of age.

9 C. Upon the effective date of this act Beginning on November 1, 2022, all medical marijuana commercial grower licensees shall be 10 required to post signage at the site of the commercial grow 11 operation. Signage shall be located at the perimeter of the 12 13 property with dimensions measuring no less than eighteen (18) inches by twenty-four (24) inches with a font size of no less than two (2) 14 inches. Information required to be displayed on the sign shall be 15 in black standardized font on a white background. The Oklahoma 16 17 Medical Marijuana Authority shall promulgate rules as necessary regarding the size, placement, issuance and specifications of the 18 required signage. The following information shall be included on 19 the required signage: 20

- 21 1. Business name;
- Physical address of the licensed business;
 Phone number of the licensed business; and
 Medical marijuana business license number.

1 The required signage shall also comply with county regulations and local ordinances related to the real property where the 2 commercial grow operation is located. Failure to erect the proper 3 signage within sixty (60) days after the renewal of each application 4 5 for a medical marijuana commercial grower license in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall result in the immediate 6 revocation of the medical marijuana commercial grower license. Upon 7 issuance of a temporary license, all medical marijuana commercial 8 9 grower licensees shall be required to comply with the provisions of 10 this subsection prior to the prelicensure inspection conducted by the Authority. 11 12 D. It shall be unlawful to host or advertise medical marijuanarelated events requiring admission fees or open to the general 13 public, other than for the purposes of providing education to a 14 physician on the list of approved providers and as permitted by the 15

16 <u>appropriate licensing board. The Authority shall promulgate rules</u> 17 <u>to issue or deny permits for events not hosted by the Authority and</u>

18 related to education of providers.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective January 1, 2024.
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