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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 Representative Caldwell offered the following:

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3 **Amendment to Amendment (846365)**

4 Remove lines 122-148 and insert:

5 (b) Authorize the establishment of five dispensing
6 organizations to ensure reasonable statewide accessibility and
7 availability as necessary for patients registered in the
8 compassionate use registry and who are ordered low-THC cannabis
9 under this section, one in each of the following regions:
10 northwest Florida, northeast Florida, central Florida, southeast
11 Florida, and southwest Florida. The department shall develop an
12 application form and impose an initial application and biennial
13 renewal fee that is sufficient to cover the costs of

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14 administering this section. An applicant for approval as a
15 dispensing organization must be able to demonstrate:

16 1. The technical and technological ability to cultivate
17 and produce low-THC cannabis. The applicant must possess a valid
18 certificate of registration issued by the Department of
19 Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to s. 581.131 that is
20 issued for the cultivation of more than 400,000 plants, be
21 operated by a nurseryman as defined in s. 581.011, and have been
22 operated as a registered nursery in this state for at least 30
23 continuous years.

24 2. The ability to secure the premises, resources, and
25 personnel necessary to operate as a dispensing organization.

26 3. The ability to maintain accountability of all raw
27 materials, finished products, and any byproducts to prevent
28 diversion or unlawful access to or possession of these
29 substances.

30 4. An infrastructure reasonably located to dispense low-
31 THC cannabis to registered patients statewide or regionally as
32 determined by the department.

33 5. The financial ability to maintain operations for the
34 duration of the 2-year approval cycle, including the provision
35 of certified financials to the department. Upon approval, the
36 applicant must post a \$5 million performance bond.

37 6. That all owners and managers have been fingerprinted
38 and have successfully passed a level 2 background screening
39 pursuant to s. 435.04.

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