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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Robinson, W. offered the following:

Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 160 and 161, insert:

(a) The department shall license medical marijuana treatment centers to ensure reasonable statewide accessibility and availability as necessary for qualified patients registered in the medical marijuana use registry and who are issued a physician certification under this section.

1. As soon as practicable, but no later than July 3, 2017, the department shall license as a medical marijuana treatment center any entity that holds an active, unrestricted license to cultivate, process, transport, and dispense low-THC cannabis,

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14 medical cannabis, and cannabis delivery devices, under former s.
15 381.986, Florida Statutes 2016, before July 1, 2017, and which
16 meets the requirements of this section. In addition to the
17 authority granted under this section, these entities are
18 authorized to dispense low-THC cannabis, medical cannabis, and
19 cannabis delivery devices ordered pursuant to former s. 381.986,
20 Florida Statutes 2016, which were entered into the compassionate
21 use registry before July 1, 2017, and are authorized to begin
22 dispensing marijuana under this section on July 3, 2017. The
23 department may grant variances from the representations made in
24 such an entity's original application for approval under former
25 s. 381.986, Florida Statutes 2014, pursuant to paragraph (e).

26 2. The department shall license as medical marijuana
27 treatment centers 10 applicants that meet the requirements of
28 this section, under the following parameters:

29 a. As soon as practicable, but no later than August 1,
30 2017, the department shall license any applicant whose
31 application was reviewed, evaluated, and scored by the
32 department and which was denied a dispensing organization
33 license by the department under former s. 381.986, Florida
34 Statutes 2014; which had one or more administrative or judicial
35 challenges pending as of January 1, 2017, or had a final ranking
36 within one point of the highest final ranking in its region
37 under former s. 381.986, Florida Statutes 2014; which meets the
38 requirements of this section; and which provides documentation

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39 to the department that it has the existing infrastructure and
40 technical and technological ability to begin cultivating
41 marijuana within 30 days after registration as a medical
42 marijuana treatment center.

43 b. As soon as practicable, the department shall license
44 one applicant that is a recognized class member of *Pigford v.*
45 *Glickman*, 185 F.R.D. 82 (D.D.C. 1999), or *In Re Black Farmers*
46 *Litig.*, 856 F. Supp. 2d 1 (D.D.C. 2011). An applicant licensed
47 under this sub-subparagraph is exempt from the requirement of
48 subparagraph (b)2. An applicant who applies for licensure under
49 this sub-subparagraph, pays the initial application fee, is
50 determined by the department through the application process to
51 qualify as a recognized class member, and is not awarded a
52 license under this sub-subparagraph may transfer the initial
53 application fee to one subsequent opportunity to apply for
54 licensure under subparagraph 4.

55 c. As soon as practicable, but no later than October 3,
56 2017, the department shall license applicants that meet the
57 requirements of this section in sufficient numbers to result in
58 10 total licenses issued under this subparagraph, while
59 accounting for the number of licenses issued under sub-
60 subparagraphs a. and b.

61 3. For up to two of the licenses issued under subparagraph
62 2., the department shall give preference to applicants that
63 demonstrate in their applications that they own one or more

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64 facilities that are, or were, used for the canning,
65 concentrating, or otherwise processing of citrus fruit or citrus
66 molasses and will use or convert the facility or facilities for
67 the processing of marijuana.

68 4. Within 6 months after the registration of 100,000
69 active qualified patients in the medical marijuana use registry,
70 the department shall license four additional medical marijuana
71 treatment centers that meet the requirements of this section.
72 Thereafter, the department shall license four medical marijuana
73 treatment centers within 6 months after the registration of each
74 additional 100,000 active qualified patients in the medical
75 marijuana use registry that meet the requirements of this
76 section.

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79 Remove lines 156-157 and insert:
80 paragraphs (f) through (i), respectively, paragraphs (a) and (e)
81 of subsection (8) are amended, and a new paragraph (e) is added
82 to
83 to

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T I T L E A M E N D M E N T

86 Remove line 19 and insert:
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88 shelters; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; authorizing
89 certain applicants for medical marijuana treatment
90 center licenses to transfer the initial application
91 fee to one subsequent opportunity to apply for
92 licensure under certain circumstances; authorizing the

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