HOUSE BILL NO. 5104

October 22, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Grant, Aragona, Bohnak, Fairbairn, Wozniak and Neyer and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 2016 PA 281, entitled "Medical marihuana facilities licensing act," by amending sections 102 and 402 (MCL 333.27102 and 333.27402), section 102 as amended by 2021 PA 57 and section 402 as amended by

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 102. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Advisory panel" or "panel" means the marijuana cannabis3 regulatory agency.
- 4 (b) "Affiliate" means any person that controls, is controlled

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- 1 by, or is under common control with; is in a partnership or joint
- 2 venture relationship with; or is a co-shareholder of a corporation,
- 3 a co-member of a limited liability company, or a co-partner in a
- 4 limited liability partnership with a licensee or applicant.
- 5 (c) "Applicant" means a person who applies for a state
- 6 operating license. Applicant includes, with respect to disclosures
- 7 in an application, for purposes of ineligibility for a license
- 8 under section 402, or for purposes of prior marijuana cannabis
- 9 regulatory agency approval of a transfer of interest under section
- 10 406, and only for applications submitted on or after January 1,
- 11 2019, a managerial employee of the applicant, a person holding a
- 12 direct or indirect ownership interest of more than 10% in the
- 13 applicant, and the following for each type of applicant:
- 14 (i) For an individual or sole proprietorship: the proprietor
- 15 and the proprietor's spouse.
- 16 (ii) For a partnership and limited liability partnership: all
- 17 partners and their spouses. For a limited partnership and limited
- 18 liability limited partnership: all general and limited partners,
- 19 not including a limited partner holding a direct or indirect
- 20 ownership interest of 10% or less and who does not exercise control
- 21 over or participate in the management of the partnership, and their
- 22 spouses. For a limited liability company: all members and managers,
- 23 not including a member holding a direct or indirect ownership
- 24 interest of 10% or less and who does not exercise control over or
- 25 participate in the management of the company, and their spouses.
- 26 (iii) For a privately held corporation: all corporate officers
- 27 or persons with equivalent titles and their spouses, all directors
- 28 and their spouses, and all stockholders, not including those
- 29 holding a direct or indirect ownership interest of 10% or less, and

- 1 their spouses.
- (iv) For a publicly held corporation: all corporate officers or persons with equivalent titles and their spouses, all directors and
- 4 their spouses, and all stockholders, not including those holding a
- ${f 5}$ direct or indirect ownership interest of 10% or less, and their
- 6 spouses.
- 7 (v) For a multilevel ownership enterprise: any entity or
- f 8 person that receives or has the right to receive more than 10% of
- 9 the gross or net profit from the enterprise during any full or
- 10 partial calendar or fiscal year.
- 11 (vi) For a nonprofit corporation: all individuals and entities
- 12 with membership or shareholder rights in accordance with the
- 13 articles of incorporation or the bylaws and the spouses of the
- 14 individuals.
- 15 (d) "Board" means the marijuana cannabis regulatory agency.
- 16 (e) "Cannabis regulatory agency" means the marijuana
- 17 regulatory agency created under Executive Reorganization Order No.
- 18 2019-2, MCL 333.27001, renamed the cannabis regulatory agency under
- 19 Executive Reorganization Order No. 2022-1, MCL 333.27002.
- 20 (f) (e) "Cutting" means a section of a lead stem or root stock
- 21 that is used for vegetative asexual propagation.
- 22 (g) (f) "Department" means the department of licensing and
- 23 regulatory affairs.
- (h) (g) "Grower" means a licensee that is a commercial entity
- 25 located in this state that cultivates, dries, trims, or cures and
- 26 packages marihuana for sale to a processor, provisioning center, or
- 27 another grower.
- (i) (h) "Industrial hemp" means that term as defined in
- 29 section 3 of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act,

- 1 2018 IL 1, MCL 333.27953.
- 2 (j) (i) "Industrial hemp research and development act" means
- 3 the industrial hemp research and development act, 2014 PA 547, MCL
- 4 286.841 to 286.859.
- 5 (k) (j)—"Licensee" means a person holding a state operating
- 6 license.
- 7 (l) (k) "Marihuana" means that term as defined in section 3 of
- 8 the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, 2018 IL 1,
- **9** MCL 333.27953.
- 10 (m) $\frac{(l)}{(l)}$ "Marihuana facility" means a location at which a
- 11 licensee is licensed to operate under this act.
- (n) (m) "Marihuana plant" means any plant of the species
- 13 Cannabis sativa L. Marihuana plant does not include industrial
- **14** hemp.
- (o) (n) "Marihuana-infused product" means that term as defined
- 16 in section 3 of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana
- 17 Act, 2018 IL 1, MCL 333.27953.
- (p) (o) "Marihuana tracking act" means the marihuana tracking
- 19 act, 2016 PA 282, MCL 333.27901 to 333.27904.
- 20 (p) "Marijuana regulatory agency" means the marijuana
- 21 regulatory agency created under Executive Reorganization Order No.
- 22 2019-2, MCL 333.27001.
- 23 (q) "Michigan medical marihuana act" means the Michigan
- 24 Medical Marihuana Act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26421 to 333.26430.
- 25 (r) "Municipality" means a city, township, or village.
- 26 (s) "Paraphernalia" means any equipment, product, or material
- 27 of any kind that is designed for or used in growing, cultivating,
- 28 producing, manufacturing, compounding, converting, storing,
- 29 processing, preparing, transporting, injecting, smoking, ingesting,

- 1 inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body, marihuana.
- 2 (t) "Person" means an individual, corporation, limited
- 3 liability company, partnership, limited partnership, limited
- 4 liability partnership, limited liability limited partnership,
- 5 trust, or other legal entity.
- 6 (u) "Plant" means any living organism that produces its own
- 7 food through photosynthesis and has observable root formation or is
- 8 in growth material.
- 9 (v) "Processor" means a licensee that is a commercial entity
- 10 located in this state that purchases marihuana from a grower and
- 11 that extracts resin from the marihuana or creates a marihuana-
- 12 infused product for sale and transfer in packaged form to a
- 13 provisioning center or another processor.
- 14 (w) "Provisioning center" means a licensee that is a
- 15 commercial entity located in this state that purchases marihuana
- 16 from a grower or processor and sells, supplies, or provides
- 17 marihuana to registered qualifying patients, directly or through
- 18 the patients' registered primary caregivers. Provisioning center
- 19 includes any commercial property where marihuana is sold at retail
- 20 to registered qualifying patients or registered primary caregivers.
- 21 A noncommercial location used by a registered primary caregiver to
- 22 assist a qualifying patient connected to the caregiver through the
- 23 department's marihuana registration process in accordance with the
- 24 Michigan Medical Marihuana Act is not a provisioning center for
- 25 purposes of this act.
- 26 (x) "Registered primary caregiver" means a primary caregiver
- 27 who has been issued a current registry identification card under
- 28 the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act.
- 29 (y) "Registered qualifying patient" means a qualifying patient

- 1 who has been issued a current registry identification card under
- 2 the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act or a visiting qualifying patient
- 3 as that term is defined in section 3 of the Michigan Medical
- 4 Marihuana Act, MCL 333.26423.
- 5 (z) "Registry identification card" means that term as defined
- 6 in section 3 of the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act, MCL 333.26423.
- 7 (aa) "Rules" means rules promulgated under the administrative
- 8 procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, by the
- 9 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency to implement this act.
- 10 (bb) "Safety compliance facility" means a licensee that is a
- 11 commercial entity that takes marihuana from a marihuana facility or
- 12 receives marihuana from a registered primary caregiver, tests the
- 13 marihuana for contaminants and for tetrahydrocannabinol and other
- 14 cannabinoids, returns the test results, and may return the
- 15 marihuana to the marihuana facility.
- 16 (cc) "Secure transporter" means a licensee that is a
- 17 commercial entity located in this state that stores marihuana and
- 18 transports marihuana between marihuana facilities for a fee.
- 19 (dd) "Seed" means the fertilized, ungerminated, matured ovule,
- 20 containing an embryo or rudimentary plant, of a marihuana plant
- 21 that is flowering.
- 22 (ee) "Seedling" means a marihuana plant that has germinated
- 23 and has not flowered and is not harvestable.
- 24 (ff) "State operating license" or, unless the context requires
- 25 a different meaning, "license" means a license that is issued under
- 26 this act that allows the licensee to operate as 1 of the following,
- 27 specified in the license:
- 28 (i) A grower.
- (ii) A processor.

- 1 (iii) A secure transporter.
- 2 (iv) A provisioning center.
- $\mathbf{3}$ (v) A safety compliance facility.
- 4 (gg) "Statewide monitoring system" or, unless the context
- 5 requires a different meaning, "system" means an internet-based,
- 6 statewide database established, implemented, and maintained by the
- 7 department under the marihuana tracking act, that is available to
- 8 licensees, law enforcement agencies, and authorized state
- 9 departments and agencies on a 24-hour basis for all of the
- 10 following:
- 11 (i) Verifying registry identification cards.
- 12 (ii) Tracking marihuana transfer and transportation by
- 13 licensees, including transferee, date, quantity, and price.
- 14 (iii) Verifying in commercially reasonable time that a transfer
- 15 will not exceed the limit that the patient or caregiver is
- 16 authorized to receive under section 4 of the Michigan Medical
- 17 Marihuana Act, MCL 333.26424.
- 18 (hh) "Tissue culture" means a marihuana plant cell, cutting,
- 19 tissue, or organ, that is kept under a sterile condition on a
- 20 nutrient culture medium of known composition and that does not have
- 21 visible root formation. A tissue culture is not a marihuana plant
- 22 for purposes of a grower.
- 23 (ii) "Usable marihuana" means the dried leaves, flowers, plant
- 24 resin, or extract of the marihuana plant, but does not include the
- 25 seeds, stalks, and roots of the plant.
- Sec. 402. (1) The marijuana cannabis regulatory agency shall
- 27 issue a license to an applicant if all of the following conditions
- 28 are met:
- 29 (a) The applicant submits a complete application.

- (b) The applicant pays both the nonrefundable application fee
 required under section 401(5) and the regulatory assessment
 established by the marijuana cannabis regulatory agency for the
 first year of operation.
- (c) The marijuana cannabis regulatory agency determines that
 the applicant is qualified to receive a license under this act.
- 7 (2) An applicant is ineligible to receive a license if any of 8 the following circumstances exist:
- 9 (a) The applicant has been convicted of or released from 10 incarceration for a felony under the laws of this state, any other 11 state, or the United States within the past 10 years or has been 12 convicted of a controlled substance-related felony within the past 13 10 years. This subdivision does not apply to a felony for the 14 manufacture, processing, or distribution of marihuana, or 15 possession with the intent to manufacture, process, or distribute 16 marihuana, unless the felony involved the distribution of marihuana 17 to a minor.
- (b) Within the past 5 years the applicant has been convicted 18 of a misdemeanor involving a controlled substance, theft, 19 20 dishonesty, or fraud in any state or been found responsible for violating a local ordinance in any state involving a controlled 21 substance, dishonesty, theft, or fraud that substantially 22 23 corresponds to a misdemeanor in that state. This subdivision does 24 not apply to a misdemeanor or ordinance violation for the 25 possession or use of marihuana.
- (c) The applicant has knowingly submitted an application for alicense under this act that contains false information.
- (d) The applicant is an employee of the marijuana cannabisregulatory agency.

- (e) The applicant fails to demonstrate the applicant's ability
 to maintain adequate premises liability and casualty insurance for
 its proposed marihuana facility.
- 4 (f) The applicant holds an elective office of a governmental unit of this state, another state, or the federal government. This subdivision does not apply to an elected officer of or employee of a federally recognized Indian tribe or to an elected precinct delegate.
- 9 (g) The applicant is a member of or employed by a regulatory
 10 body of a governmental unit in this state, another state, or the
 11 federal government, or is employed by a governmental unit of this
 12 state. This subdivision does not apply to any of the following:
- 13 (i) An elected officer of or employee of a federally recognized14 Indian tribe.
- 15 (ii) An elected precinct delegate.
- 16 (iii) The spouse of a person who applies for a state operating
 17 license unless the spouse's position creates a conflict of interest
 18 or is within any of the following:
- (A) The marijuana cannabis regulatory agency.
- 20 (B) A regulatory body of a governmental unit in this state,
 21 another state, or the federal government that makes decisions
 22 regarding medical marihuana.
- (h) The marijuana cannabis regulatory agency determines thatthe applicant is not in compliance with section 205(1).
- (i) The marijuana cannabis regulatory agency determines thatthe applicant is not in compliance with section 408.
- 27 (j) The applicant fails to meet other criteria established by 28 rule.
- 29 (3) In determining whether to grant a license to an applicant,

- the marijuana cannabis regulatory agency may also consider all of
 the following:
- 3 (a) The business probity; financial ability and experience;
 4 and responsibility or means to operate or maintain a marihuana
 5 facility of the applicant and of any other person that meets either
 6 of the following:
- 7 (i) Controls, directly or indirectly, the applicant.
- 8 (ii) Is controlled, directly or indirectly, by the applicant or9 by a person who controls, directly or indirectly, the applicant.
- 10 (b) The financial ability of the applicant to purchase and11 maintain adequate liability and casualty insurance.
- 12 (c) The sources and total amount of the applicant's13 capitalization to operate and maintain the proposed marihuana14 facility.
- 15 (d) Whether the applicant has been indicted for, charged with, 16 arrested for, or convicted of, pled guilty or nolo contendere to, 17 forfeited bail concerning, or had expunged any relevant criminal offense under the laws of any jurisdiction, either felony or 18 19 misdemeanor, not including traffic violations, regardless of 20 whether the offense has been expunded, pardoned, or reversed on 21 appeal or otherwise. This subdivision does not apply to a criminal 22 offense for the possession, use, manufacture, processing, or 23 distribution of marihuana, or possession with the intent to 24 manufacture, process, or distribute marihuana, unless the felony 25 involved the distribution of marihuana to a minor.
- (e) Whether the applicant has filed, or had filed against it,a proceeding for bankruptcy within the past 7 years.
- (f) Whether the applicant has been served with a complaint or other notice filed with any public body regarding payment of any

- 1 tax required under federal, state, or local law that has been
- 2 delinquent for 1 or more years.
- 3 (g) Whether the applicant has a history of noncompliance with
- 4 any regulatory requirements in this state or any other
- 5 jurisdiction.
- 6 (h) Whether at the time of application the applicant is a
- 7 defendant in litigation involving its business practices.
- 8 (i) Whether the applicant meets other standards in rules
- 9 applicable to the license category.
- 10 (4) Each applicant shall ensure that 1 set of fingerprints is
- 11 submitted to the department of state police. The applicant shall
- 12 submit with its application the applicant's written consent to the
- 13 criminal history check described in this section and the submission
- 14 of the applicant's fingerprints to, and the inclusion of the
- 15 applicant's fingerprints in, the state and federal database systems
- 16 described in subsection (7).
- 17 (5) The fingerprints required under subsection (4) may be
- 18 taken by a law enforcement agency or any other person determined by
- 19 the department of state police to be qualified to take
- 20 fingerprints. The applicant shall submit a fingerprint processing
- 21 fee to the department in an amount required under section 3 of 1935
- 22 PA 120, MCL 28.273, and any costs imposed by the Federal Bureau of
- 23 Investigation.
- 24 (6) The department of state police shall do all of the
- 25 following:
- 26 (a) Conduct a criminal history check on each applicant and
- 27 request the Federal Bureau of Investigation to make a determination
- 28 of the existence of any national criminal history pertaining to
- 29 each applicant.

- (b) Provide the marijuana cannabis regulatory agency with a written report containing the criminal history record information of each applicant.
 - (7) All of the following apply concerning fingerprints submitted to the department of state police under this section:
- 6 (a) The department of state police shall store and retain all 7 fingerprints submitted under this section in an automated 8 fingerprint identification system database that searches against 9 latent fingerprints, and provides for an automatic notification 10 when a subsequent fingerprint is submitted into the system that 11 matches a fingerprint previously submitted under this section or 12 when the criminal history of an individual whose fingerprints are 13 retained in the system is updated. Upon receiving a notification, 14 the department of state police shall immediately notify the 15 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency. Information in the database 16 maintained under this subsection is confidential, is not subject to 17 disclosure under the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 18 15.231 to 15.246, and shall must not be disclosed to any person 19 except for purposes of this act or for law enforcement purposes.
 - (b) The department of state police shall forward all fingerprints submitted to it under this section to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for submission of those fingerprints into the FBI automatic notification system. This subdivision does not apply until the department of state police is a participant in the FBI automatic notification system. As used in this subdivision:
 - (i) "Automatic notification system" means a system that stores and retains fingerprints, and that provides for an automatic notification to a participant if and when a fingerprint is submitted into the system that matches an individual whose

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- 1 fingerprints are retained in the system or if and when the criminal
- 2 history of an individual whose fingerprints are retained in the
- **3** system is updated.
- 4 (ii) "FBI automatic notification system" means the automatic
- 5 notification system that is maintained by the Federal Bureau of
- 6 Investigation.
- 7 (8) The marijuana cannabis regulatory agency shall review all
- 8 applications for licenses and shall inform each applicant of the
- 9 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency's decision.
- 10 (9) A license shall be issued for a 1-year period and is
- 11 renewable annually. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the
- 12 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency shall renew a license if all
- 13 of the following requirements are met:
- 14 (a) The licensee applies to the marijuana cannabis regulatory
- 15 agency on a renewal form provided by the marijuana cannabis
- 16 regulatory agency that requires information prescribed in rules.
- 17 (b) The application is received by the marijuana cannabis
- 18 regulatory agency on or before the expiration date of the current
- 19 license.
- 20 (c) The licensee pays the regulatory assessment under section
- **21** 603.
- (d) The licensee meets the requirements of this act and any
- 23 other renewal requirements set forth in rules.
- 24 (10) The department shall notify the licensee by mail or
- 25 electronic mail at the last known address on file with the
- 26 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency advising of the time and
- 27 procedure for paying and the amount of the regulatory assessment
- 28 under section 603. The failure of the licensee to receive notice
- 29 under this subsection does not relieve the licensee of the

- 1 responsibility for renewing the license.
- 2 (11) If a license renewal application is not submitted by the
- 3 license expiration date, the license may be renewed within not
- 4 later than 60 days after its expiration date upon application,
- 5 payment of the regulatory assessment under section 603, and
- 6 satisfaction of any renewal requirement and late fee set forth in
- 7 rules. The licensee may continue to operate during the 60 days
- 8 after the license expiration date if the license is renewed by the
- 9 end of the 60-day period.
- 10 (12) License The expiration of a person's state operating
- 11 license, or the mere fact that a person is no longer a licensee or
- 12 no longer operates a marihuana facility, does not terminate the
- 13 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency's authority to impose
- 14 sanctions on a licensee whose license has expired.the person.
- 15 (13) In its decision on an application for renewal, the
- 16 marijuana cannabis regulatory agency shall consider any specific
- 17 written input it receives from an individual or entity within the
- 18 local unit of government in which the applicant for renewal is
- 19 located.
- 20 (14) A licensee must consent in writing to inspections,
- 21 examinations, searches, and seizures that are permitted under this
- 22 act and must provide a handwriting exemplar, fingerprints,
- 23 photographs, and information as authorized in this act or by rules.
- 24 (15) An applicant or licensee has a continuing duty to provide
- 25 information requested by the marijuana cannabis regulatory agency
- 26 and to cooperate in any investigation, inquiry, or hearing
- 27 conducted by the marijuana cannabis regulatory agency.