

AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING MARIJUANA LAWS; RESTRICTING EDIBLE MARIJUANA PRODUCT THC SERVING SIZE AND SERVINGS A PACKAGE; AMENDING SECTION 16-12-224, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

## **Section 1.** Section 16-12-224, MCA, is amended to read:

- "16-12-224. Licensing of dispensaries. (1) Except as provided in 16-12-201(2), an applicant for a dispensary license shall demonstrate that the local government approval provisions in 16-12-301 have been satisfied in the jurisdiction where each proposed dispensary is located if the proposed dispensary would be located in a county in which the majority of voters voted against approval of Initiative Measure No. 190 in the November 3, 2020, general election.
- (2) When evaluating an initial or renewal application, the department shall evaluate each proposed dispensary for compliance with the provisions of 16-12-207 and 16-12-210.
- (3) An adult-use dispensary licensee may operate at a shared location with a medical marijuana dispensary if the adult-use dispensary and medical marijuana dispensary are owned by the same person.
- (4) A medical marijuana dispensary is authorized to sell exclusively to registered cardholders marijuana, marijuana products, and live marijuana plants.
- (5) An adult-use dispensary is authorized to sell marijuana, marijuana products, and live marijuana plants to consumers or registered cardholders.
- (6) (a) The department shall charge a dispensary license fee for an initial application and at each renewal.
- (b) The dispensary license fee is \$5,000 for the first location that a licensee operates as an adultuse dispensary or a medical marijuana dispensary. The dispensary license fee increases cumulatively by



\$5,000 for each additional location under the same license.

- (7) The department may adopt rules:
- (a) for inspection of proposed dispensaries;
- (b) for investigating owners or applicants for a determination of financial interest; and
- (c) establishing or limiting the THC content of the marijuana or marijuana products that may be sold at an adult-use dispensary or medical marijuana dispensary.
- (8) (a) Marijuana and marijuana products sold at a dispensary are regulated and sold on the basis of the concentration of THC in the products and not by weight.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (8)(d), for purposes of this chapter, a single package is limited to:
- (i) for marijuana sold as flower, 1 ounce of usable marijuana. The total potential psychoactive THC of marijuana flower may not exceed 35%.
- (ii) for a marijuana product sold as a capsule, no more than 100 milligrams of THC per capsule and no more than 800 milligrams of THC per package.
  - (iii) for a marijuana product sold as a tincture, no more than 800 milligrams of THC;
- (iv) for a marijuana product sold as an edible or a food product, no more than 100 milligrams of THC a package. A single serving of an edible marijuana product may not exceed 40-5 milligrams of THC.
- (v) for a marijuana product sold as a topical product, a concentration of no more than 6% THC and no more than 800 milligrams of THC per package;
- (vi) for a marijuana product sold as a suppository or transdermal patch, no more than 100 milligrams of THC per suppository or transdermal patch and no more than 800 milligrams of THC per package; and
  - (vii) for any other marijuana product, no more than 800 milligrams of THC.
- (c) There may be a deviation of 10% above or below the allowed amount under subsection (8)(b)(iv).
- (d) A dispensary may sell marijuana or marijuana products having higher THC potency levels than described in subsection (8) to registered cardholders.
  - (9) A licensee or employee is prohibited from conducting a transaction that would result in a



consumer or registered cardholder exceeding the personal possession amounts set forth in 16-12-106 and 16-12-515."

Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2026.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,	
HB 636, originated in the House.	
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Speaker of the House	
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## HOUSE BILL NO. 636

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