Act No. 168 (S.14). Health; Therapeutic use of Cannabis

An act relating to amendments to the marijuana for medical symptom use statutes

This act makes a number of changes to the current medical marijuana and dispensary program.

Some of the changes with respect to patients include:

- reduces the patient-health care professional relationship required for verification from six months to three months
- adds waiver of three-month period in cases where registered patient changes health care professionals or applicant was a registered patient in another state and otherwise qualifies for Vermont registry
- adds glaucoma and chronic pain as qualifying conditions
- removes limitations for naturopaths who treat registered patients

Some of the changes with respect to dispensaries include:

- requires infused products to be dispensed in child-resistant packaging and to be labeled with the amount of THC in a single dose
- allows a dispensary to buy, sell, or borrow marijuana from another dispensary
- allows a dispensary to provide marijuana to a postsecondary academic institution for research purposes

Multiple effective dates, beginning on June 6, 2016