



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 936

SENATE BILL NO. 2531

By **Gardenhire, Green, Dickerson, Bowling, Burks, Haile, Campfield, Massey**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2461

By **Carter, Ryan Williams, Ramsey, Faison, Casada, Sexton, Calfee, Ragan**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 53 and Title 63, relative to controlled substances.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-402, is amended by deleting subdivision (16) and substituting instead the following:

(16) "Marijuana" means all parts of the plant cannabis, whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; the resin extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds or resin or any compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of these substances. The term "marijuana" does not include:

(A) Cannabis oil containing the substance cannabidiol, with less than nine tenths of one percent (0.9%) of tetrahydrocannabinol, when transferred, dispensed, possessed or administered as part of a clinical research study on the treatment of intractable seizures supervised by a physician practicing at a hospital or associated clinic affiliated with a university having a college or school of medicine.

(B) Cannabis oil containing the substance cannabidiol, with less than nine tenths of one percent (0.9%) of tetrahydrocannabinol, including the necessary seeds and plants, when manufactured, processed, transferred, dispensed or possessed by a four-year public institution of higher education located in any county having a population of not less than seventy-two thousand three hundred (72,300) nor more than seventy-two thousand four hundred (72,400) according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census as part of a clinical research study on the treatment of intractable seizures; or

(C) The mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the mature stalks, except the resin extracted from the mature stalks, fiber, oil or cake, or the sterilized seeds of the plant which are incapable of germination;

SECTION 2. Any physician conducting a clinical research study on the treatment of intractable seizures at a facility described in Section 1(16)(A) shall report the results of such study, including information on the number of patients involved, the parameters of the study and the outcomes of each patient, to the commissioner of health, the speaker of the house of representatives and the speaker of the senate by January 15, 2018.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall expire at the end of June 30, 2018. On July 1, 2018, the provision of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-402, amended by Section 1 shall be revived with its language as it was in effect on April 9, 2014; provided, that such revival shall not repeal or delete any amendment to Section 39-17-402 by Public Chapter ___ of the Acts of 2014 [Senate Bill 2495/House Bill 2445].

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PASSED: April 15, 2014



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 16th day of May 2014



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR