

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 545**

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A bill for an act

1.1 relating to health; adding chronic and intractable pain as a qualifying medical  
 1.2 condition in the medical cannabis registry program; amending Minnesota  
 1.3 Statutes 2014, section 152.22, subdivision 14; repealing Laws 2014, chapter  
 1.4 311, section 20.  
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1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 152.22, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 14. **Qualifying medical condition.** "Qualifying medical condition" means a  
 1.9 diagnosis of any of the following conditions:

1.10 (1) cancer, if the underlying condition or treatment produces one or more of the  
 1.11 following:

1.12 (i) severe or chronic pain;

1.13 (ii) nausea or severe vomiting; or

1.14 (iii) cachexia or severe wasting;

1.15 (2) glaucoma;

1.16 (3) human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immune deficiency syndrome;

1.17 (4) Tourette's syndrome;

1.18 (5) amyotrophic lateral sclerosis;

1.19 (6) seizures, including those characteristic of epilepsy;

1.20 (7) severe and persistent muscle spasms, including those characteristic of multiple  
 1.21 sclerosis;

1.22 (8) Crohn's disease;

1.23 (9) terminal illness, with a probable life expectancy of under one year, if the illness  
 1.24 or its treatment produces one or more of the following:

1.25 (i) severe or chronic pain;

- 2.1 (ii) nausea or severe vomiting; or  
2.2 (iii) cachexia or severe wasting; or  
2.3 (10) chronic or intractable pain as defined in section 152.125, subdivision 1; or  
2.4 ~~(10)~~ (11) any other medical condition or its treatment approved by the commissioner.

2.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

2.6 Sec. 2. **REPEALER.**

2.7 Laws 2014, chapter 311, section 20, is repealed.

2.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

APPENDIX  
Repealed Minnesota Session Laws: 15-2137

***Laws 2014, chapter 311, section 20***

**Sec. 20. INTRACTABLE PAIN.**

The commissioner of health shall consider the addition of intractable pain, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 152.125, subdivision 1, to the list of qualifying medical conditions under Minnesota Statutes, section 152.22, subdivision 14, prior to the consideration of any other new qualifying medical conditions. The commissioner shall report findings on the need for adding intractable pain to the list of qualifying medical conditions to the task force established under Minnesota Statutes, section 152.36, no later than July 1, 2016.