DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes the Louisiana Therapeutic Use of Cannabis Act.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the therapeutic use of cannabis for persons who suffer from qualifying medical conditions.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires qualifying patients and their designated caregivers to register with the Dept. of Health and Hospitals to receive a registry identification card and provides for the verification of the cards.

<u>Proposed</u> provides for the registration of therapeutic cannabis manufacturers with the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry dispensaries.

<u>Proposed</u> provides for the registration of therapeutic cannabis dispensaries with the La. Board of Pharmacy.

<u>Proposed</u> provides for the registration of cannabis testing facilities with the Dept. of Health and Hospitals.

Proposed law authorizes local ordinances to regulate the dispensing or use of therapeutic cannabis.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the state regulatory entities to promulgate administrative rules to provide for regulation of the registrants.

Proposed law establishes penalties for violations of proposed law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provide for the confidentiality of data provided by registrants and creates an exemption to the Public Records Law for the data.

Proposed law establishes an advisory committee appointed by the legislature.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the Dept. of Health and Hospitals to provide an annual report to the legislature.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that provisions of <u>proposed law</u> shall prevail over conflicting provisions of present law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 40:1045.1-1045.141; Amends R.S. 44:4.1(B)(26))