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S.B. No. 1440

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the medical use of low-THC cannabis by veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder under the Texas Compassionate Use Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 169.001, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (7) to read as follows:

(7) "Veteran" means a person who has served in:

(A) the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, or Space Force of the United States; or

(B) Texas Army National Guard or the Texas Air National Guard.

SECTION 2. Section 169.003, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 169.003. PRESCRIPTION OF LOW-THC CANNABIS. A physician described by Section 169.002 may prescribe low-THC cannabis to a patient if:

(1) the patient is a permanent resident of the state;

(2) the physician complies with the registration requirements of Section 169.004; and

(3) the physician certifies to the department that:

(A) the patient is diagnosed with:

(i) epilepsy;

(ii) a seizure disorder;

- 1 (iii) multiple sclerosis;
- 2 (iv) spasticity;
- 3 (v) amyotrophic lateral sclerosis;
- 4 (vi) autism;
- 5 (vii) terminal cancer; [~~or~~]
- 6 (viii) an incurable neurodegenerative
- 7 disease; or
- 8 (ix) post-traumatic stress disorder and is
- 9 a veteran; and

10 (B) the physician determines the risk of the  
11 medical use of low-THC cannabis by the patient is reasonable in  
12 light of the potential benefit for the patient.

13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.