A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new subsections to section 19-03.4-02 and chapter 19-24.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the personal use of marijuana; to amend and reenact section 19-03.1-01, subdivision n of subsection 5 of section 19-03.1-05, subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-22.2, sections 19-03.1-22.3 and 19-03.1-23, subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-23.1, subsection 12 of section 19-03.4-01, sections 19-03.4-03 and 19-03.4-04, subsection 1 of section 39-20-01, section 39-20-14, and subsection 12 of section 65-05-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the legalization of marijuana; to provide for a legislative management report; to provide a penalty; and to provide an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 19-03.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

19-03.1-01. Definitions.

As used in this chapter and in chapters 19-03.2 and 19-03.4, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Administer" means to apply a controlled substance, whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion, or any other means, directly to the body of a patient or research subject by:

a. A practitioner or, in the practitioner's presence, by the practitioner's authorized agent; or

b. The patient or research subject at the direction and in the presence of the practitioner.

2. "Agent" means an authorized person who acts on behalf of or at the direction of a manufacturer, distributor, or dispenser. It does not include a common or contract carrier, public warehouseman, or employee of the carrier or warehouseman.
3. "Anabolic steroids" means any drug or hormonal substance, chemically and pharmacologically related to testosterone, other than estrogens, progestins, and corticosteroids.

4. "Board" means the state board of pharmacy.

5. "Bureau" means the drug enforcement administration in the United States department of justice or its successor agency.

6. "Controlled substance" means a drug, substance, or immediate precursor in schedules I through V as set out in this chapter.

7. "Controlled substance analog":
   a. Means a substance the chemical structure of which is substantially similar to the chemical structure of a controlled substance in a schedule I or II and:
      (1) Which has a stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system which is substantially similar to or greater than the stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system of a controlled substance in schedule I or II; or
      (2) With respect to a particular individual, which the individual represents or intends to have a stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system substantially similar to or greater than the stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system of a controlled substance in schedule I or II.
   b. Does not include:
      (1) A controlled substance;
      (2) Any substance for which there is an approved new drug application; or
      (3) With respect to a particular individual, any substance, if an exemption is in effect for investigational use, for that individual, under section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act [21 U.S.C. 355] to the extent conduct with respect to the substance is pursuant to the exemption.

8. "Counterfeit substance" means a controlled substance which, or the container or labeling of which, without authorization, bears the trademark, trade name, or other identifying mark, imprint, number or device, or any likeness thereof, of a manufacturer,
distributor, or dispenser other than the person who in fact manufactured, distributed, or
dispensed the substance.

9. "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, constructive, or attempted transfer from one
person to another of a controlled substance whether or not there is an agency
relationship.

10. "Dispense" means to deliver a controlled substance to an ultimate user or research
subject by or pursuant to the lawful order of a practitioner, including the prescribing,
administering, packaging, labeling, or compounding necessary to prepare the
substance for that delivery.

11. "Dispenser" means a practitioner who dispenses.

12. "Distribute" means to deliver other than by administering or dispensing a controlled
substance.

13. "Distributor" means a person who distributes.

14. "Drug" means:

a. Substances recognized as drugs in the official United States pharmacopeia
   national formulary, or the official homeopathic pharmacopeia of the United States,
   or any supplement to any of them;

b. Substances intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or
   prevention of disease in individuals or animals;

c. Substances, other than food, intended to affect the structure or any function of
   the body of individuals or animals; and

d. Substances intended for use as a component of any article specified in
   subdivision a, b, or c. The term does not include devices or their components,
   parts, or accessories.

15. "Hashish" means the resin extracted from any part of the plant cannabis with or
without its adhering plant parts, whether growing or not, and every compound,
manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the resin.

16. "Immediate precursor" means a substance:

a. That the board has found to be and by rule designates as being the principal
   compound commonly used or produced primarily for use in the manufacture of a
   controlled substance;
b. That is an immediate chemical intermediary used or likely to be used in the
   manufacture of the controlled substance; and

c. The control of which is necessary to prevent, curtail, or limit the manufacture of
   the controlled substance.

47-16. "Manufacture" means the production, preparation, propagation, compounding,
conversion, or processing of a controlled substance, either directly or indirectly by
extraction from substances of natural origin, or independently by means of chemical
synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis and includes any
packaging or repackaging of the substance or labeling or relabeling of its container.
The term does not include the preparation or compounding of a controlled substance
by an individual for the individual's own use or the preparation, compounding,
packaging, or labeling of a controlled substance:

a. By a practitioner as an incident to the practitioner's administering or dispensing of
   a controlled substance in the course of the practitioner's professional practice; or

b. By a practitioner, or by the practitioner's authorized agent under the practitioner's
   supervision, for the purpose of, or as an incident to, research, teaching, or
   chemical analysis and not for sale.

48-17. "Marijuana" means all parts of the plant cannabis sativa L., 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.
The term does not include the:

a. 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 mature stalks, except the resin extracted therefrom,
fiber, oil, or cake, or the sterilized seed of the plant which is incapable of
   germination. The term marijuana does not include hemp as defined in title 4.1.

b. Hemp as defined in chapter 4.1-18.1;

c. A prescription drug approved by the United States food and drug administration
or
d. Adult-use cannabis products purchased, possessed, or consumed by an adult-use cannabis consumer in accordance with chapter 19-24.2.

49-18. "Narcotic drug" means any of the following, whether produced directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of vegetable origin, or independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis:

a. Opium and opiate and any salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of opium or opiate.

b. Any salt, compound, isomer, derivative, or preparation thereof which is chemically equivalent or identical with any of the substances referred to in subdivision a, but not including the isoquinoline alkaloids of opium.

c. Opium poppy and poppy straw.

d. Coca leaves and any salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of coca leaves, any salt, compound, isomer, derivative, or preparation thereof which is chemically equivalent or identical with any of these substances, but not including decocainized coca leaves or extractions of coca leaves which do not contain cocaine or ecgonine.

20-19. "Opiate" means any substance having an addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability similar to morphine or being capable of conversion into a drug having addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability. The term does not include, unless specifically designated as controlled under section 19-03.1-02, the dextrorotatory isomer of 3-methoxy-n-methylmorphinan and its salts (dextromethorphan). The term includes its racemic and levorotatory forms.

24-20. "Opium poppy" means the plant of the species papaver somniferum L., except its seeds.

22-21. "Over-the-counter sale" means a retail sale of a drug or product other than a controlled, or imitation controlled, substance.

23-22. "Person" means individual, corporation, limited liability company, government or governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust, partnership or association, or any other legal entity.

24-23. "Poppy straw" means all parts, except the seeds, of the opium poppy, after mowing.

25-24. "Practitioner" means:
a. A physician, dentist, veterinarian, pharmacist, scientific investigator, or other person licensed, registered, or otherwise permitted by the jurisdiction in which the individual is practicing to distribute, dispense, conduct research with respect to, or to administer a controlled substance in the course of professional practice or research.

b. A pharmacy, hospital, or other institution licensed, registered, or otherwise permitted to distribute, dispense, conduct research with respect to, or to administer a controlled substance in the course of professional practice or research in this state.

"Production" includes the manufacturing, planting, cultivating, growing, or harvesting of a controlled substance.

"Sale" includes barter, exchange, or gift, or offer therefor, and each such transaction made by a person, whether as principal, proprietor, agent, servant, or employee.

"Scheduled listed chemical product" means a product that contains ephedrine, pseudoephedrin, or phenylpropanolamine, or each of the salts, optical isomers, and salts of optical isomers of each chemical, and that may be marketed or distributed in the United States under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act [21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.] as a nonprescription drug unless prescribed by a licensed physician.

"State" when applied to a part of the United States includes any state, district, commonwealth, territory, insular possession thereof, and any area subject to the legal authority of the United States.

"Ultimate user" means an individual who lawfully possesses a controlled substance for the individual's own use or for the use of a member of the individual's household or for administering to an animal owned by the individual or by a member of the individual's household.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Subdivision n of subsection 5 of section 19-03.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

n. (1) Tetrahydrocannabinols, meaning tetrahydrocannabinols naturally contained in a plant of the genus Cannabis (cannabis plant), as well as synthetic equivalents of the substances contained in the cannabis plant, or in the resinous extractives of such plant, including synthetic substances,
derivatives, and their isomers with similar chemical structure and pharmacological activity to those substances contained in the plant; excluding tetrahydrocannabinols found in hemp as defined in title 4.1; such as the following:

(4)(a) Delta-1 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and their optical isomers. Other names: Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol.

(2)(b) Delta-6 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and their optical isomers.

(3)(c) Delta-3,4 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and its optical isomers.

(Since nomenclature of these substances is not internationally standardized, compounds of these structures, regardless of numerical designation of atomic positions covered.)

(2) Tetrahydrocannabinols does not include:

(a) Tetrahydrocannabinols found in hemp as defined in chapter 4.1-18.1;

or

(b) Adult-use cannabis products purchased, possessed, or consumed by an adult-use cannabis consumer in accordance with chapter 19-24.2.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-22.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. For purposes of this section:

a. "Chemical substance" means a substance intended to be used as a precursor in the manufacture of a controlled substance or any other chemical intended to be used in the manufacture of a controlled substance. Intent under this subsection may be demonstrated by the substance's use, quantity, manner of storage, or proximity to other precursors or to manufacturing equipment.

b. "Child" means an individual who is under the age of eighteen years.

c. "Controlled substance" means the same as that term is defined in section 19-03.1-01, except the term does not include less than one-half ounce of marijuana.

d. "Drug paraphernalia" means the same as that term is defined in section 19-03.4-01.

e. "Prescription" means the same as that term is described in section 19-03.1-22.
f. "Vulnerable adult" means a vulnerable adult as the term is defined in section 50-25.2-01.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Section 19-03.1-22.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

19-03.1-22.3. Ingesting a controlled substance - Venue for violation - Penalty.

1. Except as provided in subsection 2, a person who intentionally ingests, inhales, injects, or otherwise takes into the body a controlled substance, unless the substance was obtained directly from a practitioner or pursuant to a valid prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the course of the practitioner's professional practice, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. This subsection does not apply to ingesting, inhaling, injecting, or otherwise taking into the body marijuana.

2. A person who is under twenty-one years of age and intentionally ingests, inhales, injects, or otherwise takes into the body a controlled substance that is marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol, unless the substance was medical marijuana obtained in accordance with chapter 19-24.1, is guilty of a class B misdemeanor or an infraction.

3. The venue for a violation of this section exists in either the jurisdiction in which the controlled substance was ingested, inhaled, injected, or otherwise taken into the body or the jurisdiction in which the controlled substance was detected in the body of the accused.

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT. Section 19-03.1-23 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

19-03.1-23. Prohibited acts - Penalties.

1. Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for a person to willfully, as defined in section 12.1-02-02, manufacture, deliver, or possess with intent to manufacture or deliver, a controlled substance, or to deliver, distribute, or dispense a controlled substance by means of the internet, but a person who violates section 12-46-24 or 12-47-21 may not be prosecuted under this subsection. A person who violates this subsection with respect to:

a. A controlled substance classified in schedule I or II which is a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine, is guilty of a class B felony.
b. Any other controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, or III, or a controlled substance analog is guilty of a class B felony.

c. A substance classified in schedule IV, is guilty of a class C felony.

d. A substance classified in schedule V, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

2. A prior misdemeanor conviction under subsection 7 or a prior conviction under subsection 3 or 4 of section 19-03.4-03 may not be considered a prior offense under subsection 1.

3. Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to willfully, as defined in section 12.1-02-02, create, deliver, distribute, or dispense a counterfeit substance by means of the internet or any other means, or possess with intent to deliver, a counterfeit substance by means of the internet or any other means, but any person who violates section 12-46-24 or 12-47-21 may not be prosecuted under this subsection. Any person who violates this subsection with respect to:

a. A counterfeit substance classified in schedule I, II, or III, is guilty of a class B felony.

b. A counterfeit substance classified in schedule IV, is guilty of a class C felony.

c. A counterfeit substance classified in schedule V, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

4. A person at least eighteen years of age who solicits, induces, intimidates, employs, hires, or uses a person under eighteen years of age to aid or assist in the manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to manufacture or deliver a controlled substance for the purpose of receiving consideration or payment for the manufacture or delivery of any controlled substance is guilty of a class B felony. It is not a defense to a violation of this subsection that the defendant did not know the age of a person protected under this subsection.

5. Except for a prior conviction equivalent to a misdemeanor violation of subsection 7 or a prior conviction under subsection 3 or 4 of section 19-03.4-03, a violation of this title or a law of another state or the federal government which is equivalent to an offense with respect to the manufacture, delivery, or intent to deliver a controlled substance under this title committed while the offender was an adult and which resulted in a plea or finding of guilt must be considered a prior offense under subsection 1. The prior
offense must be alleged in the complaint, information, or indictment. The plea or
finding of guilt for the prior offense must have occurred before the date of the
commission of the offense or offenses charged in the complaint, information, or
indictment.

6. It is unlawful for a person to willfully, as defined in section 12.1-02-02:
   a. Serve as an agent, intermediary, or other entity that causes the internet to be
      used to bring together a buyer and seller to engage in the delivery, distribution, or
      dispensing of a controlled substance in a manner not authorized by this chapter;
      or
   b. Offer to fill or refill a prescription for a controlled substance based solely on a
      consumer's completion of an online medical questionnaire.

A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a class C felony.

7. a. It is unlawful for any person to willfully, as defined in section 12.1-02-02, possess
   a controlled substance or a controlled substance analog unless the substance
   was obtained directly from, or pursuant to, a valid prescription or order of a
   practitioner while acting in the course of the practitioner's professional practice, or
   except as otherwise authorized by this chapter, but any person who violates
   section 12-46-24 or 12-47-21 may not be prosecuted under this subsection.
   b. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who violates this
   subsection is guilty of a class A misdemeanor for the first offense under this
   subsection and a class C felony for a second or subsequent offense under this
   subsection.
   c. If, at the time of the offense the person is in or on the real property comprising a
      public or private elementary or secondary school or a public career and technical
      education school, the person is guilty of a class B felony, unless the offense
      involves marijuana.
   d. A person who violates this subsection by possessing:
      (1) Marijuana in an amount of less than one-half ounce [14.175 grams] is guilty
          of an infraction.
      (2) At least one-half ounce [14.175 grams] but not more than 500 grams of
          marijuana is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.
(3) More than 500 grams of marijuana is guilty of a class A misdemeanor under the age of twenty-one is in violation of this subsection by possessing:

(1) Marijuana:

   (a) In an amount less than one ounce [28.35 grams] is guilty of an infraction.

   (b) At least one ounce [28.35 grams] but not more than two ounces [56.70 grams] is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

   (c) More than two ounces [56.70 grams] but less than 500 grams is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

(2) Tetrahydrocannabinol:

   (a) In an amount up to the applicable maximum amount authorized by chapter 19-24.2 is guilty of an infraction.

   (b) More than the applicable maximum amount authorized by chapter 19-24.2 but less than two times the applicable maximum amount authorized by chapter 19-24.2 is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

   (c) At least two times the applicable maximum amount authorized by chapter 19-24.2 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

e. A person age twenty-one or older is in violation of this section by possessing:

   (1) More than one ounce [28.35 grams] of marijuana but not more than two ounces [56.70 grams] of marijuana is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

   (2) More than two ounces [56.70 grams] but less than 500 grams is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

   (3) More than the applicable maximum amount of tetrahydrocannabinol authorized by chapter 19-24.2 but less than two times the applicable maximum amount of tetrahydrocannabinol authorized by chapter 19-24.2 is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

   (4) At least two times the applicable maximum amount of tetrahydrocannabinol authorized by chapter 19-24.2 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

   If an individual is sentenced to the legal and physical custody of the department of corrections and rehabilitation under this subsection, the department may place the individual in a drug and alcohol treatment program designated by the
department. Upon the successful completion of the drug and alcohol treatment program, the department shall release the individual from imprisonment to begin any court-ordered period of probation.

f-g. If the individual is not subject to any court-ordered probation, the court shall order the individual to serve the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment on supervised probation subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the court.

g-h. Probation under this subsection may include placement in another facility, treatment program, or drug court. If an individual is placed in another facility or treatment program upon release from imprisonment, the remainder of the sentence must be considered as time spent in custody.

h-i. An individual incarcerated under this subsection as a result of a second probation revocation is not eligible for release from imprisonment upon the successful completion of treatment.

i-j. A person who violates this subsection regarding possession of five or fewer capsules, pills, or tablets of a schedule II, III, IV, or V controlled substance or controlled substance analog is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

8. Except as provided by section 19-03.1-45, a court may order a person who violates this chapter or chapter 19-03.4 to undergo a drug addiction evaluation by a licensed addiction counselor. The evaluation must indicate the prospects for rehabilitation and whether addiction treatment is required. If ordered, the evaluation must be submitted to the court before imposing punishment for a felony violation or a misdemeanor violation.

9. If a person pleads guilty or is found guilty of a first offense regarding possession of one ounce [28.35 grams] or less of marijuana or an amount up to the applicable maximum amount of tetrahydrocannabinol authorized by chapter 19-24.2 and a judgment of guilt is entered, a court, upon motion, shall seal the court record of that conviction if the person is not subsequently convicted within two years of a further violation of this chapter. Once sealed, the court record may not be opened even by order of the court.
10. Upon successful completion of a drug court program, a person who has been
   convicted of a felony under this section and sentenced to drug court is deemed to
   have been convicted of a misdemeanor.

11. If a person convicted of a misdemeanor under this section is sentenced to drug court
   and successfully completes a drug court program, the court shall dismiss the case and
   seal the file in accordance with section 12.1-32-07.2.

SECTION 6. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-23.1 of the North Dakota
Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. A person who violates section 19-03.1-23 is subject to the penalties provided in
   subsection 2 if:
   a. The offense was committed during a school sponsored activity or was committed
      during the hours of six a.m. to ten p.m. if school is in session, the offense
      involved the manufacture, delivery, or possession, with intent to manufacture or
      deliver a controlled substance in, on, or within three hundred feet [91.4 meters] of
      the real property comprising a preschool facility, a public or private elementary or
      secondary school, or a public career and technical education school, the
      defendant was at least twenty-one years of age at the time of the offense, and
      the offense involved the delivery of a controlled substance to a minor;
   b. The offense involved:
      (1) Fifty grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable
          amount of heroin;
      (2) Fifty grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable
          amount of:
          (a) Coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves from
              which cocaine, ecgonine, and derivatives of ecgonine or their salts
              have been removed;
          (b) Cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of
              isomers;
          (c) Ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or
          (d) Any compound, mixture, or preparation that contains any quantity of
              any of the substance referred to in subparagraphs a through c;
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(3) Twenty-eight grams or more of a mixture or substance described in paragraph 2 which contains cocaine base;

(4) Ten grams or more of phencyclidine or one hundred grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of phencyclidine;

(5) One gram, one hundred dosage units, or one-half liquid ounce or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of lysergic acid diethylamide;

(6) Forty grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide or ten grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of any analog of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenylethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide;

(7) Fifty grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine;

(8) Ten grams, one hundred dosage units, or one-half liquid ounce or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of 3,4-methylenedioxy-N-methylamphetamine, C11H15NO2;

(9) One hundred dosage units or one-half liquid ounce of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of gamma-hydroxybutyrate or gamma-butyrolactone or 1,4 butanediol or any substance that is an analog of gamma-hydroxybutyrate;

(10) One hundred dosage units or one-half liquid ounce of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of flunitrazepam; or

(11) Five hundred grams or more of marijuana; or

(12) Tetrahydrocannabinol in an amount more than four times the applicable maximum amount authorized by chapter 19-24.2; or

c. The defendant had a firearm in the defendant's actual possession at the time of the offense.

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT. Subsection 12 of section 19-03.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
Objects used, intended for use, or designed for use in ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing marijuana, or cocaine, hashish, or hashish oil into the human body, including:

a. Metal, wooden, acrylic, glass, stone, plastic, or ceramic pipes with or without screens, permanent screens, hashish heads, or punctured metal bowls.

b. Water pipes.

c. Carburetion tubes and devices.

d. Smoking and carburetion masks.

e. Objects, sometimes commonly referred to as roach clips, used to hold burning material, for example, a marijuana cigarette, that has become too small or too short to be held in the hand.

f. Miniature cocaine spoons and cocaine vials.

g. Chamber pipes.

h. Carburetor pipes.

i. Electric pipes.

j. Air-driven pipes.

k. Chillums.

l. Bongs.

m. Ice pipes or chillers.

SECTION 8. Two new subsections to section 19-03.4-02 of the North Dakota Century Code are created and enacted as follows:

Whether the object is used by a registered qualifying patient, registered designated caregiver, compassion center, or compassion center agent in accordance with chapter 19-24.1.

Whether the object is used by an adult-use cannabis consumer, adult-use cannabis business, or adult-use cannabis business agent in accordance with chapter 19-24.2.

SECTION 9. AMENDMENT. Section 19-03.4-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
19-03.4-03. Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia - Penalty.

1. A person may not use or possess with intent to use drug paraphernalia to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, or conceal a controlled substance in violation of chapter 19-03.1. A person violating this subsection is guilty of a class C felony if the drug paraphernalia is used, or possessed with intent to be used, to manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, or analyze a controlled substance, other than marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol, classified in schedule I, II, or III of chapter 19-03.1.

2. A person may not use or possess with the intent to use drug paraphernalia to inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise induce into the human body a controlled substance, other than marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol, classified in schedule I, II, or III of chapter 19-03.1. A person violating this subsection is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. If a person previously has been convicted of an offense under this title, other than an offense related to marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol, or an equivalent offense from another court in the United States, a violation of this subsection is a class C felony.

3. A person may not use or possess with intent to use drug paraphernalia to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, or repack marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol in violation of chapter 19-03.1. A person violating this subsection is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. An adult-use cannabis business or adult-use cannabis business agent acting in accordance with chapters 19-24.1 and 19-24.2 is not subject to prosecution under this subsection.

4. A person may not use or possess with the intent to use drug paraphernalia to ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce into the human body marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol or possess with the intent to use drug paraphernalia to store or contain marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol in violation of chapter 19-03.1. A person violating this subsection is guilty of an infraction. The following persons are not subject to prosecution under this subsection:
   a. A registered qualifying patient, registered designated caregiver, compassion center, or compassion center agent acting in accordance with chapter 19-24.1.
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b. An adult-use cannabis consumer, adult-use cannabis business, or adult-use cannabis business agent acting in accordance with chapter 19-24.2.

5. A person sentenced to the legal and physical custody of the department of corrections and rehabilitation under this section may be placed in a drug and alcohol treatment program as designated by the department. Upon the successful completion of the drug and alcohol treatment program, the department shall release the person from imprisonment to begin any court-ordered period of probation. If the person is not subject to court-ordered probation, the court may order the person to serve the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment on supervised probation subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the court.

6. Probation under this section may include placement in another facility, treatment program, or drug court. If the person is placed in another facility or treatment program upon release from imprisonment, the remainder of the sentence must be considered as time spent in custody.

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 19-03.4-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

19-03.4-04. Unlawful manufacture or delivery of drug paraphernalia - Penalty.

1. A person may not deliver, possess with intent to deliver, or manufacture with intent to deliver, drug paraphernalia, if that person knows or should reasonably know that the drug paraphernalia will be used to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce into the human body a controlled substance in violation of chapter 19-03.1. Any person violating this section is guilty of a class C felony if the drug paraphernalia will be used to manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, inject, ingest, inhale, or analyze a controlled substance, other than marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol, classified in schedule I, II, or III of chapter 19-03.1. Otherwise, a violation of this section is a class A misdemeanor.

2. The following persons are not subject to prosecution under this subsection:

a. A registered designated caregiver, compassion center, or compassion center agent acting in accordance with chapter 19-24.1.
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b. An adult-use cannabis business or adult-use cannabis business agent acting in
   accordance with chapter 19-24.2.

SECTION 11. Chapter 19-24.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted
as follows:


As used in this chapter, unless the context indicates otherwise:

1. "Adult-use cannabinoid capsule" means a small, soluble container, usually made of
gelatin, which encloses a dose of an adult-use cannabinoid product or an adult-use,
cannabinoid concentrate intended for consumption. The maximum concentration or
amount of tetrahydrocannabinol permitted in a serving of an adult-use cannabinoid
 capsule is ten milligrams.

2. "Adult-use cannabinoid concentrate" means an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate or
extract obtained by separating cannabinoids from cannabis by a mechanical,
chemical, or other process.

3. "Adult-use cannabinoid edible product" means a soft or hard lozenge in a geometric
square shape into which an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate or the dried leaves or
flowers of the plant of the genus cannabis is incorporated. The maximum
concentration or amount of tetrahydrocannabinol permitted in a serving of an adult-use,
cannabinoid edible product is ten milligrams and in a package is one hundred
milligrams.

4. "Adult-use cannabinoid product" means a product intended for human consumption or
use which contains cannabinoids.

a. Adult-use cannabinoid products are limited to the following forms:

   (1) Adult-use cannabinoid solution;

   (2) Adult-use cannabinoid capsule;

   (3) Adult-use cannabinoid transdermal patch;

   (4) Adult-use cannabinoid topical; and

   (5) Adult-use cannabinoid edible product.

b. The term does not include:

   (1) An adult-use cannabinoid concentrate by itself; or

   (2) The dried leaves or flowers of the plant of the genus cannabis by itself.
5. "Adult-use cannabinoid solution" means a solution consisting of a mixture created from an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate and other ingredients. A container holding an adult-use cannabinoid solution for dispensing may not exceed thirty milliliters.

6. "Adult-use cannabinoid topical" means an adult-use cannabinoid product intended to be applied to the skin or hair. The maximum concentration or amount of tetrahydrocannabinol permitted in an adult-use cannabinoid topical is six percent.

7. "Adult-use cannabinoid transdermal patch" means an adhesive substance applied to the skin which contains an adult-use cannabinoid product or an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate for absorption into the bloodstream. The maximum concentration or amount of tetrahydrocannabinol permitted in a serving of an adult-use cannabinoid transdermal patch is ten milligrams.

8. "Adult-use cannabis" means the dried leaves or flowers of the plant of the genus cannabis.


10. "Adult-use cannabis business agent" means a principal officer, board member, member, manager, governor, employee, volunteer, or agent of an adult-use cannabis business. The term does not include a lawyer representing an adult-use cannabis business in civil or criminal litigation or in an adversarial administrative proceeding.

11. "Adult-use cannabis consumer" means an individual, twenty-one years of age or older, who purchases approved adult-use cannabis products for personal use, but not for resale to others.

12. "Adult-use cannabis product" means adult-use cannabis, an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate, or adult-use cannabinoid product.

13. "Cannabinoid" means a chemical compound that is one of the active constituents of cannabis.

14. "Cannabis" is a genus of flowering plants within the Cannabaceae family and means all parts of the plant, whether growing or not; the seeds of the plant; the resin extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacturer, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds or resin. The term does not include:

   a. Hemp regulated under chapter 4.1-18.1; or

15. "Cannabis waste" means unused, surplus, returned, or out-of-date adult-use cannabis products; recalled adult-use cannabis products; unused cannabis; or plant debris of the plant of the genus cannabis, including dead plants and all unused plant parts and roots.

16. "Cardholder" means an adult-use cannabis business agent who has been issued and possesses a valid registry identification card.

17. "Department" means the state department of health.

18. "Dispensary" means an entity registered by the department as an adult-use cannabis business authorized to sell adult-use cannabis products.

19. "Enclosed and locked facility" means a closet, room, greenhouse, building, or other enclosed area equipped with locks or other security devices that permit access limited to individuals authorized under this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.

20. "Manufacturing facility" means an entity registered by the department as an adult-use cannabis business authorized to produce and process cannabis and to sell adult-use cannabis products to a dispensary.

21. "Maximum concentration or amount of tetrahydrocannabinol" means the total amount of tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid in an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate or an adult-use cannabinoid product.

22. "Owner" means an individual or an organization with an ownership interest in an adult-use cannabis business.

23. "Ownership interest" means an aggregate ownership interest of five percent or more in an adult-use cannabis business, unless such interest is solely a security, lien, or encumbrance, or an individual that will be participating in the direction, control, or management of the adult-use cannabis business.

24. "Processing" or "process" means the compounding or conversion of cannabis into an adult-use cannabinoid concentrate or adult-use cannabinoid product.

25. "Producing", "produce", or "production" mean the planting, cultivating, growing, trimming, or harvesting of cannabis or the drying of the leaves or flowers of cannabis.
"Registration certificate" means written authorization provided by the department under this chapter permitting an adult-use cannabis business to engage in a specified activity authorized pursuant to this chapter.

"Registry identification card" means a document issued by the department which identifies an individual as a registered adult-use cannabis business agent.

"School" means an institution of learning and education especially for children, the collective body of students under instruction in an institution of learning, and a group of individuals adhering to the same philosophy or system of beliefs.

"Substantial corporate change" means:

a. For a corporation, a change of ten percent or more of the officers or directors, or a transfer of ten percent or more of the stock of such corporation, or an existing stockholder obtaining ten percent or more of the stock of the corporation;

b. For a limited liability company, a change of ten percent or more of the managing members of the company, or a transfer of ten percent or more of the ownership interest in the company, or an existing member obtaining a cumulative of ten percent or more of the ownership interest in the company; or

c. For a partnership, a change of ten percent or more of the managing partners of the partnership, or a transfer of ten percent or more of the ownership interest in the partnership, or an existing member obtaining a cumulative of ten percent or more of the ownership interest in the partnership.

"Verification system" means the system maintained by the department for verification of registry identification cards.

19-24.2-02. Adult-use cannabis program.

The department shall establish and implement an adult-use cannabis program to allow for the production and processing of cannabis and the sale of adult-use cannabis products to an individual who is twenty-one years of age and older, subject to the provisions of this chapter. A person may not produce, process, sell, possess, consume, transport, or transfer cannabis or adult-use cannabis products unless the person is authorized to do so in accordance with this chapter or by rule adopted pursuant to this chapter.
19-24.2-03. Adult-use cannabis business.

1. A person may not process, produce, or transfer adult-use cannabis products or otherwise act as an adult-use cannabis business in this state unless the person is registered as an adult-use cannabis business.

2. As of July 1, 2023, the department may not register more than:
   a. Seven adult-use cannabis businesses with the sole purpose of operating as a manufacturing facility; and
   b. Eighteen adult-use cannabis businesses with the sole purpose of operating as a dispensary.

3. An adult-use cannabis business registered under this chapter may not sell adult-use cannabis products to adult-use cannabis consumers until July 1, 2022.

4. An adult-use cannabis business registered under this chapter shall provide registered qualifying patients and registered designated caregivers access to usable marijuana in accordance with chapter 19-24.1. An adult-use cannabis business shall comply with all requirements in chapter 19-24.1.

5. The department shall establish an open application period for the submission of adult-use cannabis business applications. At the completion of the open application period, the department shall review each complete application using a competitive process established in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter and shall determine which applicants to register as adult-use cannabis businesses.

6. If the department revokes or does not renew an adult-use cannabis business registration certificate, the department may establish an open application period for the submission of adult-use cannabis business applications.

7. The department of commerce may not certify an adult-use cannabis business as a primary sector business.


1. The activities of a manufacturing facility are limited to producing, processing, and related activities, including acquiring, possessing, storing, transferring, and transporting cannabis and adult-use cannabis products, for the sole purpose of selling adult-use cannabis products to a dispensary.
2. The activities of a dispensary are limited to purchasing adult-use cannabis products from a manufacturing facility and related activities, including storing, delivering, transferring, and transporting adult-use cannabis products, for the sole purpose of dispensing adult-use cannabis products to adult-use cannabis consumers.

3. The activities of a dispensary includes providing education material and selling supplies related to the consumption and storage of adult-use cannabis products. A dispensary may sell only supplies related to the consumption and storage of adult-use cannabis products to an adult-use cannabis consumer. All education material and supplies related to the consumption and storage of adult-use cannabis products are subject to prior department approval.

4. An individual or an organization may not hold an ownership interest in:
   a. More than one manufacturing facility.
   b. More than four dispensaries.
   c. More than one dispensary within a twenty-mile [32.19 kilometers] radius of another dispensary.

5. A manufacturing facility and dispensary may not enter an agreement under which a dispensary agrees to limit purchases or sales of adult-use cannabis products to one manufacturing facility.


1. The department shall establish forms for an applicant to be registered as an adult-use cannabis business. For an adult-use cannabis business registration application to be complete and eligible for review, the applicant shall submit to the department:
   a. A nonrefundable application fee, not to exceed five thousand dollars, made payable to the "State Department of Health".
   b. The legal name, articles of incorporation or articles of organization, and bylaws or operating agreement of the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant.
   c. Evidence of the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant's registration with the secretary of state and certificate of good standing.
   d. The physical address of the proposed location of the proposed adult-use cannabis business and:
(1) Evidence of approval from local officials as to the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant’s compliance with local zoning laws for the physical address to be used by the proposed cannabis business; and

(2) Evidence the physical address of the proposed adult-use cannabis business is not located within one thousand feet [304.80 meters] of a property line of a pre-existing public or private school.

e. For a manufacturing facility applicant, a description of the enclosed and locked facility that would be used in the production and processing of cannabis, including steps that will be taken to ensure the production and processing is not visible from the street or other public areas.

f. The name, address, and date of birth of each principal officer and board member, or of each member-manager, manager, or governor, of the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant and verification each officer and board member, or each member-manager, manager, or governor, has consented to a criminal history record check conducted under section 12-60-24.

g. For each of the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant’s principal officers and board members, or for each of the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant’s member-managers, managers, or governors, a description of that individual’s relevant experience, including training or professional licensing related to medicine, pharmaceuticals, natural treatments, botany, food science, food safety, production, processing, and the individual’s experience running a business entity.

h. A description of proposed security and safety measures.

i. An example of the design and security features of adult-use cannabis product containers.

j. A complete operations manual.

k. A description of the plans for making usable marijuana available on an affordable basis to registered qualifying patients with limited financial resources in accordance with chapter 19-24.1.
l. A list of all individuals and business entities having direct or indirect authority over the management or policies of the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant.

m. A list of all individuals and business entities having an ownership interest in the proposed adult-use cannabis business applicant, whether direct or indirect, and whether the interest is in profits, land, or building, including owners of any business entity that owns all or part of the land or building.

n. The identity of any creditor holding a security interest in the proposed adult-use cannabis business premises.

2. The department is not required to review an application submitted under this section unless the department determines the application is complete. The criteria considered by the department in reviewing an application must include:

a. The suitability of the proposed adult-use cannabis business location, including compliance with any local zoning laws, and the geographic convenience to access adult-use cannabis businesses for adult-use consumers throughout the state;

b. The character and relevant experience of the principal officers and board members, or of the member-managers, managers, or governors, including training or professional licensing and business experience;

c. The applicant's plan for operations and services, including staffing and training plans, whether the applicant has sufficient capital to operate, and the applicant's ability to provide an adequate supply of adult-use cannabis products and usable marijuana as defined in chapter 19-24.1;

d. The sufficiency of the applicant's plans for recordkeeping;

e. The sufficiency of the applicant's plans for safety, security, and the prevention of diversion, including the proposed location and security devices employed;

f. The applicant's plan for making usable marijuana, as defined in chapter 19-24.1, available on an affordable basis to registered qualifying patients with limited financial resources;

g. The applicant's plan for safe and accurate packaging and labeling of adult-use cannabis products; and
h. The applicant's plans for testing adult-use cannabis products and cannabis.

3. Following completion of the review under subsection 2, the department shall select the applicants eligible for registration.

19-24.2-06. Adult-use cannabis business - Registration.  
1. Upon receiving notification by the department that an adult-use cannabis business application is eligible for registration, the applicant shall submit all of the following items to the department to qualify for registration:

   a. A certification fee, made payable to the "State Department of Health", in an amount not to exceed ninety thousand dollars for a dispensary and one hundred ten thousand dollars for a manufacturing facility.

   b. A financial assurance or security bond to ensure the protection of the public health and safety and the environment in the event of abandonment, default, or other inability or unwillingness to meet the requirements of this chapter.

   c. The physical address of the proposed adult-use cannabis business; confirmation the information in the application regarding the physical location of the proposed adult-use cannabis business has not changed, and if the information has changed the department shall determine whether the new information meets the requirements of this chapter; and a current certificate of occupancy, or equivalent document, to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of state and local fire code for the physical address of the proposed adult-use cannabis business. It is not necessary for an applicant to resubmit any information provided in the initial application unless there has been a change in that information.

   d. An update to previously submitted information, including information about adult-use cannabis business agents.

2. If an applicant complies with subsection 1, the department shall issue the applicant a registration certificate.

1. An adult-use cannabis business registration certificate expires two years after issuance. An adult-use cannabis business may submit a renewal application at any time beginning ninety calendar days before the expiration of the registration certificate.

An adult-use cannabis business shall submit a renewal application a minimum of sixty
calendar days before the expiration of the registration certificate to avoid suspension
of the certificate.

2. The department shall approve an adult-use cannabis business’s renewal application
within sixty calendar days of submission if:
   a. The adult-use cannabis business submits a renewal fee, in the amount not to exceed ninety thousand dollars for a dispensary and one hundred ten thousand dollars for a manufacturing facility, which the department shall refund if the department rejects the renewal application;
   b. The adult-use cannabis business submits a complete renewal application;
   c. The department has at no time suspended the adult-use cannabis business’s registration for violation of this chapter or chapter 19-24.1;
   d. Inspections conducted under this chapter do not raise any serious concerns about the continued operation of the adult-use cannabis business; and
   e. The adult-use cannabis business continues to meet all the requirements for the operation of an adult-use cannabis business as set forth in this chapter, chapter 19-24.1, and rules adopted under this chapter.

3. If an adult-use cannabis business does not meet the requirements for renewal, the department may not issue a registration certificate and the department shall provide the adult-use cannabis business with written notice of the determination. If an adult-use cannabis business’s certificate is not renewed, the adult-use cannabis business shall dispose of all cannabis and adult-use cannabis products in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter.

19-24.2-08. Adult-use cannabis business - Registration certificates.

A registration certificate authorizing the operation of an adult-use cannabis must include:

1. The name and address of the adult-use cannabis business;
2. Whether the type of adult-use cannabis business is a manufacturing facility or dispensary;
3. A unique license number issued by the department; and
4. Any other information deemed necessary by the department.
19-24.2-09. Adult-use cannabis business - Notification of changes.

1. Upon application of an adult-use cannabis business to the department, a registration certificate of an adult-use cannabis business may be amended to authorize a change in the authorized physical location of the adult-use cannabis business, or to amend the ownership or organizational structure of the adult-use cannabis business with the registration certificate. An adult-use cannabis business shall provide the department a written notice of any change described under this section at least sixty calendar days before the proposed effective date of the change.

2. A registration certificate authorizing the operation of an adult-use cannabis business is void upon a change in ownership, substantial corporate change, change in location, or discontinued operation, without prior approval of the department. The health council may adopt rules allowing for certain types of changes in ownership without the need for prior written approval from the department.

3. The department shall authorize the use of additional structures located within five hundred feet [152.40 meters] of the location described in the original application, unless the department makes an affirmative finding the use of additional structures would jeopardize public health or safety or would result in the cannabis business being within one thousand feet [304.80 meters] of a property line of a pre-existing public or private school. The department may waive all or part of the required advance notice to address emergent or emergency situations.

19-24.2-10. Adult-use cannabis business - Agents - Registry identification cards.

1. Upon issuance of an adult-use cannabis business registry certificate, the department shall issue a registry identification card to each qualified adult-use cannabis business agent associated with the adult-use cannabis business.

2. To qualify to be issued a registry identification card, each adult-use cannabis business agent must be at least twenty-one years of age and shall submit all of the following registry identification card application material to the department:

   a. A photographic copy of the agent’s department-approved identification. The agent shall make the identification available for inspection and verification by the department.

   b. A recent two-by-two inch [5.08-by-5.08 centimeter] photograph of the agent.
c. A written and signed statement from an officer or executive staff member of the adult-use cannabis business stating the applicant is associated with the adult-use cannabis business and the capacity of the association.

d. The name, address, and telephone number of the agent.

e. The name, address, and telephone number of the adult-use cannabis business with which the agent is associated.

f. The agent's signature and the date.

g. A nonrefundable application or renewal fee in the amount of two hundred dollars.

3. Each adult-use cannabis business agent shall consent to a criminal history record check conducted under section 12-60-24 to demonstrate compliance with the eligibility requirements.

a. All applicable fees associated with the required criminal history record checks must be paid by the adult-use cannabis business or the agent.

b. A criminal history record check must be performed upon initial application and biennially upon renewal. An adult-use cannabis business agent shall consent to a criminal history record check at any time the department determines necessary.

c. An individual convicted of a drug-related misdemeanor offense within the five-year period before the date of application or a felony offense is prohibited from being an adult-use cannabis business agent.

4. The department shall notify the adult-use cannabis business in writing of the purpose for denying an adult-use cannabis business agent application for a registry identification card. The department shall deny an application if the agent fails to meet the registration requirements or to provide the information required, or if the department determines the information provided is false. The cardholder may appeal a denial or revocation of a registry identification card to the district court of Burleigh County. The court may authorize the cardholder to appear by reliable electronic means.

5. The department shall issue an adult-use cannabis business agent a registry identification card within thirty calendar days of approval of an application.

6. Within ten calendar days of a change in the cardholder's name or address or knowledge of a change that would render the adult-use cannabis business agent no
longer eligible to be a cardholder, an adult-use cannabis business agent with a registry identification card shall notify the department in a manner prescribed by the department.

7. If an adult-use cannabis business agent loses the agent's registry identification card, that agent shall notify the department in writing within twenty-four hours of becoming aware the card has been lost.

8. If a cardholder notifies the department of items listed in this section but the nature of the item reported results in the cardholder remaining eligible, the department may issue the cardholder a new registry identification card with a new random ten-digit alphanumeric identification number within twenty calendar days of approving the updated information and the cardholder shall pay a fee, not to exceed twenty-five dollars. If a cardholder notifies the department of an item that results in the cardholder being ineligible, the registry identification card becomes void immediately.

9. An adult-use cannabis business shall notify the department in writing within two calendar days of the date an adult-use cannabis business agent ceases to work for or be associated with the adult-use cannabis business. Upon receipt of the notification, that individual's registry identification card is void.

10. The registry identification card of an adult-use cannabis business agent expires one year after issuance or upon the termination of the adult-use cannabis business's registration certificate, whichever occurs first. To prevent interruption of possession of a valid registry identification card, an adult-use cannabis business agent shall renew a registry identification card by submitting a complete renewal application no fewer than forty-five calendar days before the expiration date of the existing registry identification card.


A registry identification card of an adult-use cannabis business agent is not transferable, by assignment or otherwise, to another person. If a person attempts to transfer a card in violation of this section, the registry identification card is void and the person is prohibited from all privileges provided under this chapter.


1. The registry identification card of an adult-use cannabis business agent must include:
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1. The name of the cardholder;
2. The cardholder's affiliated adult-use cannabis business;
3. The date of issuance and expiration date;
4. A random ten-digit alphanumeric identification number containing at least four numbers and at least four letters which is unique to the cardholder;
5. A photograph of the cardholder; and
6. The phone number or website address at which the card can be verified.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this section or rule adopted under this chapter, a registry identification card expiration date is one year after the date of issuance.

19-24.2-13. Adult-use cannabis business - Adult-use cannabis agents - Suspension -

Revocation.

1. The department may suspend or revoke the registry identification card of an adult-use cannabis business agent or a registration certificate of an adult-use cannabis business for a material misstatement by an applicant in an application or renewal.

2. The department may suspend or revoke a registry identification card of an adult-use cannabis business agent or registration certificate of an adult-use cannabis business for a violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.

3. If an adult-use cannabis business agent or an adult-use cannabis business sells or otherwise transfers cannabis or adult-use cannabis products to a person not authorized to possess cannabis or adult-use cannabis products under this chapter, the department may suspend or revoke the registry identification card of the adult-use cannabis business agent or the registration certificate of the adult-use cannabis business, or both.

4. If an adult-use cannabis business agent or an adult-use cannabis business sells or otherwise transfers cannabis or adult-use cannabis products in a form not authorized under this chapter or chapter 19-24.1, the department may suspend or revoke the registry identification card of the adult-use cannabis business agent or the registration certificate of the adult-use cannabis business, or both.

5. The department shall provide written notice of suspension or revocation of a registry identification card or registration certificate.

a. A suspension may not be for a period longer than six months.
b. A manufacturing facility may continue to produce, process, and possess cannabis and adult-use cannabis products during a suspension, but may not transfer or sell adult-use cannabis products.

c. A dispensary may continue to possess adult-use cannabis products during a suspension, but may not purchase or transfer adult-use cannabis products.

d. An adult-use cannabis business agent or adult-use cannabis business may appeal a suspension or revocation of a registry identification card or registration certificate to the district court of Burleigh County. The court may authorize the adult-use cannabis business agent or adult-use cannabis business to appear by reliable electronic means.

6. If the department revokes a registry identification card of an adult-use cannabis business agent under this chapter, the adult-use cannabis business agent is disqualified from further participation under this chapter.


1. An adult-use cannabis business agent or adult-use cannabis business that fails to provide a notice as required under this chapter shall pay to the department a fee in an amount established by the department, not to exceed one hundred fifty dollars.

2. In addition to any other penalty applicable in law, a manufacturing facility or an adult-use cannabis business agent of a manufacturing facility is guilty of a class B felony for intentionally selling or otherwise transferring cannabis or adult-use cannabis products in any form, to a person other than a dispensary, or for intentionally selling or otherwise transferring cannabis in any form other than adult-use cannabis products, to a dispensary.

3. In addition to any other penalty applicable in law, a dispensary or an adult-use cannabis business agent of a dispensary for intentionally selling or otherwise transferring adult-use cannabis products, to an individual who is under twenty-one years of age, in a form not allowed under this chapter, or in an amount that would cause the adult-use cannabis consumer to purchase or possess more than the amount of adult-use cannabis products authorized by this chapter is guilty of a class B felony.
4. In addition to any other penalty applicable in law, a dispensary or an adult-use cannabis business agent of a dispensary which intentionally sells or otherwise transfers paraphernalia, to an individual who is under twenty-one years of age, or in a form not allowed under this chapter is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. A dispensary or an adult-use cannabis business agent is not subject to prosecution under this subsection for selling paraphernalia to a registered qualifying patient who is nineteen years of age or older under chapter 19-24.1.

5. In addition to any other penalty applicable in law, an adult-use cannabis business or an adult-use cannabis business agent that intentionally sells or otherwise transfers adult-use cannabis products in a form not allowed under this chapter is guilty of a class B felony.

6. An adult-use cannabis business or an adult-use cannabis business agent that knowingly submits false records or documentation required by the department to certify an adult-use cannabis business under this chapter is guilty of a class C felony.

7. In addition to any other penalty applicable in law, if an adult-use cannabis business violates this chapter the department may fine the adult-use cannabis business up to one thousand dollars per violation, per day, and upon subsequent violations a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars per violation, per day.

8. In addition to any other penalty applicable in law, an adult-use cannabis consumer who intentionally sells or otherwise transfers adult-use cannabis products, to an individual who is under twenty-one years of age, is guilty of a class B felony. An individual convicted under this subsection is disqualified from further participation under this chapter.

9. An individual who knowingly submits false records or documentation required by the department to receive an adult-use cannabis business agent registry identification card is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. An individual convicted under this subsection may not continue to be affiliated with an adult-use cannabis business.


1. An adult-use cannabis business shall comply with the transfer and sale requirements of this section.
2. Design and security features of adult-use cannabis products containers must be in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter.

3. A manufacturing facility or an adult-use cannabis business agent of the manufacturing facility may not transfer or sell cannabis or adult-use cannabis products. A manufacturing facility or an adult-use cannabis business agent of a manufacturing facility may sell adult-use cannabis products to a dispensary.

4. A dispensary or an adult-use cannabis business agent of the dispensary may not sell or provide adult-use cannabis products to:
   a. An individual under twenty-one years of age, unless the individual is a registered qualifying patient and the sale or dispensing is in accordance with chapter 19-24.1; or
   b. An adult-use cannabis consumer in an amount that would cause the adult-use cannabis consumer to purchase or possess more adult-use cannabis products than permitted by this chapter.

5. Before selling or providing an adult-use cannabis product to an individual, a dispensary or an adult-use cannabis business agent of the dispensary shall verify:
   a. The age of the individual by requiring the individual to produce one of the following pieces of identification:
      (1) The individual's passport, issued by the United States or a foreign government;
      (2) The individual's driver's license, issued by the state or another state of the United States;
      (3) An identification card issued by the state;
      (4) A United States military identification card;
      (5) An identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe; or
      (6) Any other identification card issued by a state or territory of the United States which bears a picture of the individual, the name of the individual, the individual's date of birth, and a physical description of the individual.
   b. The purchase history of the adult-use cannabis consumer using the department-approved information technology system to ensure the adult-use cannabis
consumer does not purchase more than the amount of adult-use cannabis products authorized by this chapter.

6. The health council may adopt rules requiring a dispensary to use an age verification scanner or any other equipment used to verify the age of an individual for the purpose of ensuring that the dispensary does not sell adult-use cannabis products to an individual who is under twenty-one years of age. Information obtained under this section may not be retained after verifying the age of an individual and may not be used for any purpose other than verifying the age of an individual.

The maximum amount an adult-use cannabis consumer is authorized to purchase for:

1. The first day of a calendar month through the fifteenth day of the same calendar month:
   a. Twenty-one grams of adult-use cannabis;
   b. One gram of adult-use cannabinoid concentrates; and
   c. Three hundred milligrams of total tetrahydrocannabinol in the form of adult-use cannabinoid products.

2. The sixteenth day of the calendar month through the last day of the same calendar month:
   a. Twenty-one grams of adult-use cannabis;
   b. One gram of adult-use cannabinoid concentrates; and
   c. Three hundred milligrams of total tetrahydrocannabinol in the form of adult-use cannabinoid products.

19-24.2-17. Maximum possession amount for adult-use cannabis consumer.

1. It is unlawful for an adult-use cannabis consumer to possess more than the following:
   a. One ounce [28.35 grams] of adult-use cannabis;
   b. One and one-half grams of an adult use cannabinoid concentrate; and
   c. Four hundred milligrams of total tetrahydrocannabinol in the form of an adult-use cannabinoid product.

2. An adult-use cannabis consumer who possesses more than the maximum amount of adult-use cannabis products authorized by this chapter is subject to prosecution under chapter 19-03.1.

1. An adult-use cannabis business is subject to random inspection by the department. During an inspection, the department may review the records of the adult-use cannabis business, including the adult-use cannabis business's financial, inventory, and sales records.

2. The department shall conduct inspections of adult-use cannabis businesses to ensure compliance with this chapter and chapter 19-24.1. The department shall conduct inspections of manufacturing facilities for the presence of contaminants. The department shall select a certified laboratory to conduct random quality sampling testing in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter. An adult-use cannabis business shall pay the cost of all random quality sampling testing.

3. The provisions of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to the selection of a certified laboratory required by this chapter.

19-24.2-19. Adult-use cannabis business - Pesticide testing.

A manufacturing facility shall test cannabis at a manufacturing facility for the presence of pesticides. If a cannabis test indicates the presence of a pesticide, the manufacturing facility immediately shall report the test result to the department and to the agriculture commissioner. Upon the order of the department or agriculture commissioner, the manufacturing facility immediately shall destroy all affected or contaminated cannabis and adult-use cannabis products inventory in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter and shall certify to the department and to the agriculture commissioner that all affected or contaminated inventory has been destroyed.


1. A manufacturing facility may have no more than ten thousand plants. For every five hundred plants in excess of one thousand plants that a manufacturing facility possesses, the manufacturing facility shall pay the department an additional certification fee of ten thousand dollars. This fee is due at the time of increase and again at renewal of the adult-use cannabis business registration certificate.

2. A dispensary may not possess more than three thousand five hundred ounces [99.22 kilograms] of adult-use cannabis products at any time, regardless of formulation.

1. In compliance with rules adopted under this chapter, an adult-use cannabis business shall implement appropriate security and safety measures to deter and prevent the unauthorized entrance to areas containing cannabis and adult-use cannabis products and to prevent the theft of cannabis and adult-use cannabis products.

2. An adult-use cannabis business shall limit entry to an area in which production or processing takes place or in which cannabis or adult-use cannabis products are held and access is limited to authorized personnel.

3. An adult-use cannabis business must have a fully operational security alarm system at the authorized physical address which includes an electrical support backup system for the alarm system to provide suitable protection against theft and diversion.

4. An adult-use cannabis business shall maintain documentation in an auditable form for:
   a. All maintenance inspections and tests conducted under this section, and any servicing, modification, or upgrade performed on the security alarm system;
   b. An alarm activation or other event that requires response by public safety personnel; and
   c. Any breach of security.

19-24.2-22. Adult-use cannabis business - Inventory control.

1. An adult-use cannabis business shall comply with the inventory control requirements provided under this section and rules adopted under this chapter.

   a. A manufacturing facility shall:
      (1) Employ a bar coding inventory control system to track batch, strain, and amounts of cannabis and adult-use cannabis products in inventory and to track amounts of adult-use cannabis products sold to dispensaries; and
      (2) Host a secure computer interface to transfer inventory amounts and dispensary purchase information to the department.
b. A dispensary shall:

(1) Employ a bar coding inventory control system to track batch, strain, and amounts of adult-use cannabis products in inventory and to track amounts sold to adult-use cannabis consumers; and

(2) Host a secure computer interface to transfer inventory amounts and adult-use cannabis consumer purchase information to the department.

2. An adult-use cannabis business shall store the adult-use cannabis business's cannabis and adult-use cannabis products in an enclosed and locked facility with adequate security, in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter.

3. An adult-use cannabis business shall conduct inventories of cannabis and adult-use cannabis products at the authorized location at the frequency and in the manner provided by rules adopted under this chapter. If an inventory results in the identification of a discrepancy, the adult-use cannabis business immediately shall notify the department and appropriate law enforcement authorities within seventy-two hours. An adult-use cannabis business shall document each inventory conducted by the adult-use cannabis business.

4. The provisions of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to the selection of the information technology system selected by the department.


1. An adult-use cannabis business shall maintain a current copy of the operating manual of the adult-use cannabis business which meets the requirements of rules adopted under this chapter.

2. An adult-use cannabis business shall develop, implement, and maintain on the premises an onsite training curriculum or shall enter contractual relationships with outside resources capable of meeting adult-use cannabis business agent training needs.


As part of the initial application of a proposed adult-use cannabis business, the applicant shall provide to the department a current copy of the applicant's bylaws or operating agreement. Upon receipt of a registration certificate, an adult-use cannabis business shall maintain the bylaws or operating agreement in accordance with this chapter. In addition to any other
requirements, the bylaws or operating agreement must include the ownership or management
structure of the adult-use cannabis business; the composition of the board of directors, board of
governors, member-managers, or managers; and provisions relative to the disposition of
revenues and earnings.

19-24.2-25. Adult-use cannabis business - Retention of and access to records and
reports.
An adult-use cannabis business shall keep detailed financial reports of proceeds and
expenses. An adult-use cannabis business shall maintain all inventory, sales, and financial
records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The adult-use cannabis
business shall maintain all reports and records required under this section for a period of seven
years. An adult-use cannabis business shall allow the department, or an audit firm contracted
by the department, access at all times to all books and records kept by the adult-use cannabis
business.

19-24.2-26. Adult-use cannabis business - Recordkeeping - Adult-use cannabis
business agents - Registry identification cards.
1. Each adult-use cannabis business shall maintain:
   a. In compliance with rules adopted under this chapter, a personnel record for each
      adult-use cannabis business agent for a period of at least three years following
      termination of the individual's affiliation with the adult-use cannabis business. The
      personnel record must comply with minimum requirements set by rule adopted
      under this chapter.
   b. A record of the source of funds that will be used to open or maintain the adult-use
      cannabis business, including the name, address, and date of birth of any
      investor.
   c. A record of each instance in which a current or prospective board member,
      member-manager, manager, or governor, who managed or served on the board
      of a business or not-for-profit entity and in the course of that service was
      convicted, fined, or censured or had a registration or license suspended or
      revoked in any administrative or judicial proceeding.
2. Each adult-use cannabis business agent shall hold a valid registry identification card.
19-24.2-27. Verification system.

1. The department shall maintain a confidential list of cardholders and each cardholder's registry identification number.

2. The department shall establish a secure verification system. The verification system must allow law enforcement personnel twenty-four hour access to enter a registry identification number to determine whether the number corresponds with a current valid registry identification card. The system may disclose:
   a. Whether an identification card is valid;
   b. The name of the cardholder; and
   c. The cardholder's affiliated adult-use cannabis business.


Except as provided in sections 19-24.2-14 and 19-24.1-28:

1. An adult-use cannabis consumer is not subject to arrest or prosecution or the denial of any right or privilege, including a civil penalty or disciplinary action by a court or occupational or professional regulating entity for the acquisition, use, consumption, or possession of adult-use cannabis products or related supplies under this chapter.

2. It is presumed an adult-use cannabis consumer is engaged in the acquisition, use, consumption, or possession of adult-use cannabis products or related supplies in accordance with this chapter if the adult-use consumer is not in possession of adult-use cannabis products in an amount that exceeds what is authorized under this chapter. This presumption may be rebutted by evidence that the conduct related to acquisition, use, consumption, or possession of adult-use cannabis products or related supplies was not in accordance with this chapter.

3. A manufacturing facility is not subject to prosecution, search or inspection, or seizure, except by the department or the department's designee, under this chapter for acting under this chapter to:
   a. Produce, process, or conduct related activities for the sole purpose of selling adult-use cannabis products to a dispensary; or
   b. Transfer, transport, or deliver cannabis or adult-use cannabis products to and from a department designee or manufacturing facility in accordance with this chapter.
4. A dispensary is not subject to prosecution, search or inspection, or seizure, except by the department or the department’s designee, under this chapter for acting under this chapter to:

   a. Purchase adult-use cannabis products from a manufacturing facility and conducting related activities for the sole purpose of selling adult-use cannabis products and related supplies, and providing educational materials to adult-use cannabis consumers; or
   
   b. Transfer adult-use cannabis products to and from a department designee or related manufacturing facility in accordance with this chapter.

5. If the action performed by the adult-use cannabis business agent on behalf of the adult-use cannabis business is authorized under this chapter, a registered adult-use cannabis business agent is not subject to arrest or prosecution or the denial of any right or privilege, including a civil penalty or disciplinary action by a court or occupational or professional regulating entity, for working or volunteering for an adult-use cannabis business.

6. The sale and possession of supplies related to possession and consumption of adult-use cannabis products by a dispensary is lawful if in accordance with this chapter.

7. The adult-use of cannabis by an adult-use cannabis consumer or the producing and processing and the selling of adult-use cannabis products by an adult-use cannabis business is lawful if in accordance with this chapter.

8. An adult-use cannabis consumer, adult-use cannabis business agent, or adult-use cannabis business is not subject to arrest or prosecution for use of drug paraphernalia or possession with intent to use drug paraphernalia in a manner consistent with this chapter.

9. A person in possession of cannabis waste in the course of transporting or disposing of the waste under this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter may not be subject to arrest or prosecution for that possession or transportation.

10. A person in possession of cannabis, adult-use cannabis products, or cannabis waste in the course of performing laboratory tests as provided under this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter is not subject to arrest or prosecution for possession or testing.
19-24.2-29. Limitations.

1. An adult-use cannabis consumer may use adult-use cannabis products in the following locations:
   a. A private residence, including the person's curtilage, or yard;
   b. On private property, not generally accessible by the public, if the adult-use cannabis consumer is explicitly permitted to consume the adult-use cannabis products on the property by the owner of the property.

2. This chapter does not authorize an adult-use cannabis consumer to engage in, and does not prevent the imposition of any civil liability or criminal liability or other penalties for engaging in:
   a. Use, possession, or transportation of adult-use cannabis products by an individual under twenty-one years of age.
   b. Use or consumption of adult-use cannabis products by an adult-use consumer in any public place, including an indoor or outdoor area used by, or open to, the general public or on any form of public transportation.
   c. Use or consumption of an adult-use cannabis product on the grounds of any adult-use cannabis business.
   d. Undertaking an activity under the influence of cannabis if doing so would constitute negligence or professional malpractice.
   e. Possession or consumption of adult-use cannabis products in any of the following locations:
      (1) On a school bus or school van that is used for school purposes;
      (2) On the grounds of any public or private school, including all facilities, whether owned, rented, or leased, and all vehicles that a public or private school owns, leases, rents, contracts for, or controls;
      (3) At any location while a public or private school sanctioned event is occurring at that location;
      (4) On state or federal property, including all facilities, whether owned, rented or leased, and all vehicles the state or federal government leases, rents, contracts for, or controls;
      (5) On the grounds of a correctional facility;
(6) On the grounds of a child care facility or licensed home day care, unless authorized under rules adopted by the department of human services.

f. Undertaking any activity prohibited by section 23-12-09, 23-12-10, 23-12-10.2, 23-12-10.4, 23-12-10.5, or 23-12-11.

g. Use of adult-use cannabis products in a motor vehicle as defined by chapter 39-01.

h. Using a combustible delivery form of adult-use cannabis products or vaporizing adult-use cannabis products under this chapter if the smoke or vapor would be inhaled by an individual under twenty-one years of age.

i. Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, aircraft, train, snowmobile, or motorboat, while under the influence of cannabis. A registered qualifying patient may not be considered to be under the influence of cannabis solely because of the presence of metabolites or components of cannabis that appear in insufficient concentration to cause impairment.

3. This chapter does not require:

   a. A person in lawful possession of property to allow a guest, client, customer, or other visitor to possess or consume adult-use cannabis products on or in the property; or

   b. A landlord to allow production and processing of cannabis or possession and consumption of adult-use cannabis products on rental property.

4. This chapter does not prohibit an employer from:

   a. Disciplining or terminating the employment of an employee for possessing or consuming adult-use cannabis products in the workplace or for working while under the influence of cannabis. "Working" as used in this subdivision includes when an employee is on call.

   b. Adopting reasonable zero tolerance or drug-free workplace policies, or employment policies concerning drug testing, smoking, consumption, storage, or use of cannabis in the workplace or while on call provided that the policy is applied in a nondiscriminatory manner.

   c. Disciplining or terminating the employment of an employee for violating an employer's employment policies or workplace drug policy.
5. An employer may consider an employee to be impaired or under the influence of cannabis if the employer has a good-faith belief that an employee manifests specific, articulable symptoms while working which decrease or lessen the employee's performance of the duties or tasks of the employee's job position, including symptoms of the employee's speech, physical dexterity, agility, coordination, demeanor, irrational or unusual behavior, or negligence or carelessness in operating equipment or machinery; disregard for the safety of the employee or others, or involvement in any accident that results in serious damage to equipment or property; disruption of a production or manufacturing process; or carelessness that results in any injury to the employee or others. If an employer elects to discipline an employee on the basis that the employee is under the influence or impaired by cannabis, the employer shall afford the employee a reasonable opportunity to contest the basis of the determination.

6. This chapter does not create or imply a cause of action for any person against an employer for:

a. Actions, including subjecting an employee or applicant to reasonable drug and alcohol testing under the employer's workplace drug policy, including an employee's refusal to be tested or to cooperate in testing procedures or disciplining termination of employment, based on the employer's good-faith belief that an employee used or possessed cannabis in the employer's workplace or while performing the employee's job duties or while on call in violation of the employer's employment policies;

b. Actions, including discipline or termination of employment, based on the employer's good-faith belief that an employee was impaired as a result of the use of cannabis, or under the influence of cannabis, while at the employer's workplace or while performing the employee's job duties or while on call in violation of the employer's workplace drug policy; or

c. Injury, loss, or liability to a third party if the employer did not know or have a reason to know the employee was impaired.

7. This chapter may not be construed to interfere with any federal, state, or local restrictions on employment, including the United States department of transportation regulation under title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, part 40, section 40.151(e) or
impact an employer's ability to comply with federal or state law or cause it to lose a
federal or state contract or funding.


1. The health council shall adopt rules as necessary for the implementation and
administration of this chapter, including transportation and storage of cannabis and
adult-use cannabis products, advertising, packaging and labeling, standards for testing
facilities, inventory management, and accurate recordkeeping.

2. The health council may adopt rules regarding the operation and governance of
additional categories of registered adult-use cannabis businesses.


1. Except as provided under subsection 2, information kept or maintained by the
department is confidential, including information in a registration application or renewal
and supporting information submitted by an adult-use cannabis business, proposed
adult-use cannabis business, or adult-use cannabis business agent. Information kept
or maintained by the department which could be used to identify an adult-use
cannabis consumer is confidential.

2. Information kept or maintained by the department may be disclosed as necessary for:
   a. The verification of registration certificates and registry identification cards under
      this chapter;
   b. Notification of state or local law enforcement of an apparent criminal violation;
   c. Notification of state and local law enforcement about falsified or fraudulent
      information submitted for purposes of obtaining or renewing a registry
      identification card; or
   d. Date for statistical purposes in a manner such that an individual person or adult-
      use cannabis business is not identified.

3. Information submitted to a local government to demonstrate compliance with any
security requirements required by local zoning ordinances or regulations is
confidential.

By July first of each year, the department shall submit a report to the legislative management. The report must be written in a manner such that no individual, person, or adult-use cannabis business can be identified and must include:

1. The number and type of adult-use cannabis businesses;
2. Revenue and expenses of the department related to the implementation of this chapter;
3. Sales data by product type; and
4. Information for statistical purposes.


The department shall deposit all fees collected under this chapter in the fund established under section 19-24.1-40.

SECTION 12. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 39-20-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. Any individual who operates a motor vehicle on a highway or on public or private areas to which the public has a right of access for vehicular use in this state is deemed to have given consent, and shall consent, subject to the provisions of this chapter, to a chemical test, or tests, of the blood, breath, saliva, or urine for the purpose of determining the alcohol concentration or presence of other drugs, or combination thereof, in the individual's blood, breath, saliva, or urine. As used in this chapter, the word "drug" means any drug or substance or combination of drugs or substances which renders an individual incapable of safely driving, and the words "chemical test" or "chemical analysis" mean any test to determine the alcohol concentration or presence of other drugs, or combination thereof, in the individual's blood, breath, or urine, approved by the director of the state crime laboratory or the director's designee under this chapter.

SECTION 13. AMENDMENT. Section 39-20-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:


1. Any individual who operates a motor vehicle upon the public highways of this state is deemed to have given consent to submit to an onsite screening test or tests of the
individual's breath or oral fluid for the purpose of estimating the alcohol concentration
or presence of drugs or substances in the individual's breath or oral fluid upon the
request of a law enforcement officer who has reason to believe that the individual
committed a moving traffic violation or a violation under section 39-08-01 or an
equivalent offense, or was involved in a traffic accident as a driver, and in conjunction
with the violation or the accident the officer has, through the officer's observations,
formulated an opinion that the individual's body contains alcohol or other drugs or
substances that render the individual incapable of safely operating a motor vehicle.

2. An individual may not be required to submit to a screening test or tests of breath or
oral fluid while at a hospital as a patient if the medical practitioner in immediate charge
of the individual's case is not first notified of the proposal to make the requirement, or
objects to the test or tests on the ground that such would be prejudicial to the proper
care or treatment of the patient.

3. The screening test or tests must be performed by an enforcement officer certified as a
chemical test operator by the director of the state crime laboratory or the director's
designee and according to methods and with devices approved by the director of the
state crime laboratory or the director's designee. The results of such screening test
must be used only for determining whether or not a further test shall be given under
the provisions of section 39-20-01. The officer shall inform the individual that North
Dakota law requires the individual to take the screening test to determine whether the
individual is under the influence of alcohol or other drugs or substances and that
refusal of the individual to submit to a screening test may result in a revocation for at
least one hundred eighty days and up to three years of that individual's driving
privileges. If such individual refuses to submit to such screening test or tests, none
may be given, but such refusal is admissible in a court proceeding if the individual was
arrested in violation of section 39-08-01 and did not take any additional chemical tests
requested by the law enforcement officer. Such refusal is sufficient cause to revoke
such individual's license or permit to drive in the same manner as provided in section
39-20-04, and a hearing as provided in section 39-20-05 and a judicial review as
provided in section 39-20-06 must be available.
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4. The director must not revoke an individual's driving privileges for refusing to submit to a screening test requested under this section if the individual provides a sufficient breath, blood, oral fluid, or urine sample for a chemical test requested under section 39-20-01 for the same incident.

5. No provisions of this section may supersede any provisions of chapter 39-20, nor may any provision of chapter 39-20 be construed to supersede this section except as provided herein.

6. For the purposes of this section, "chemical test operator" means an individual certified by the director of the state crime laboratory or the director's designee as qualified to perform analysis for alcohol or other drugs or substances in an individual's blood, breath, oral fluid, or urine.

SECTION 14. AMENDMENT. Subsection 12 of section 65-05-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

12. The organization may not pay wage loss benefits if the wage loss is related to the use or presence of medical marijuana, usable marijuana or adult-use cannabis products, or the presence of tetrahydrocannabinol.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of this Act become effective on July 1, 2022.