

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1860

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PERIOD THAT A VISITING
QUALIFYING PATIENT REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARD IS
VALID; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR RENEWAL OF A
QUALIFYING PATIENT REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR
MEDICAL MARIJUANA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO MODIFY THE PERIOD THAT A VISITING
QUALIFYING PATIENT REGISTRY
IDENTIFICATION CARD IS VALID; AND TO
ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR RENEWAL OF A
QUALIFYING PATIENT REGISTRY
IDENTIFICATION CARD.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-56-307 is amended to read as follows:

20-56-307. Visiting qualifying patient registry identification card.

A registry identification card for a visiting qualifying patient shall be ~~extended for a period of ninety (90) days~~ valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 56, Subchapter 3, is amended to add additional sections to read as follows:

20-56-309. Qualifying patient registry identification card renewal.

(a) A qualifying patient registry identification card expires one (1) year after issuance unless the certifying physician designates an earlier



expiration.

(b)(1) A qualifying patient may obtain a renewal of a qualifying patient registry identification card by submitting a written request to the Department of Health.

(2) The department shall not require an additional certification from a certifying physician for a renewal of a qualifying patient registry identification card.

(c)(1) After a qualifying patient registry identification card has been renewed once, a new certification from a certifying physician shall be submitted to obtain a new qualifying patient registry identification card.

(2) A new qualifying patient registry identification card under subdivision (c)(1) of this section may be renewed as provided under subdivision (b) of this section.

(d) The Department of Health may promulgate rules to implement this section.

20-56-310. Universal registry identification card.

(a) An individual who is employed or provides services to a dispensary or cultivation facility shall be issued a universal registry identification card.

(b)(1) An individual holding a universal registry identification card shall notify the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division in writing before initiating employment or services to a dispensary or cultivation facility.

(2) The division shall maintain a record of each dispensary or cultivation facility that is a designated facility of an individual holding a universal registry identification card.

(c) The division may promulgate rules to implement this section.

/s/Duffield