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House of Representatives, March 19, 2013

An Act To Add Conditions That Qualify for Medical Marijuana Use

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative DICKERSON of Rockland.
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and
Representatives: DION of Portland, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, RUSSELL of Portland,
VILLA of Harrison.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2422, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 407, Pt. B, §2, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **2. Debilitating medical condition.** "Debilitating medical condition" means:

5 A. Cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus, acquired
6 immune deficiency syndrome, hepatitis C, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, Crohn's
7 disease, agitation of Alzheimer's disease, nail-patella syndrome or the treatment of
8 these conditions;

9 B. A chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or its treatment that
10 produces intractable pain, which is pain that has not responded to ordinary medical or
11 surgical measures for more than 6 months;

12 C. A chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or its treatment that
13 produces one or more of the following: cachexia or wasting syndrome; severe nausea;
14 seizures, including but not limited to those characteristic of epilepsy; or severe and
15 persistent muscle spasms, including but not limited to those characteristic of multiple
16 sclerosis; ~~or~~

17 D. Any other medical condition or its treatment as provided for in section 2424,
18 subsection 2-;

19 E. Post-traumatic stress disorder;

20 F. Opiate or pharmaceutical drug addiction and recovery; or

21 G. Any other medical condition or its treatment as determined by a physician.

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This bill amends the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act to add to the list of
24 debilitating medical conditions for which a physician may certify the use of medical
25 marijuana. The conditions added are post-traumatic stress disorder, opiate or
26 pharmaceutical drug addiction and recovery and any other medical condition or its
27 treatment as determined by a physician.