



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3796.021 Medical marijuana advisory committee.

Effective: September 8, 2016

Legislation: House Bill 523 - 131st General Assembly

(A) The medical marijuana advisory committee is hereby created in the state board of pharmacy. The committee shall consist of the following:

- (1) Two members who are practicing pharmacists, at least one of whom supports the use of marijuana for medical purposes and at least one of whom is a member of the board of pharmacy;
- (2) Two members who are practicing physicians, at least one of whom supports the use of marijuana for medical purposes and at least one of whom is a member of the state medical board;
- (3) A member who represents local law enforcement;
- (4) A member who represents employers;
- (5) A member who represents labor;
- (6) A member who represents persons involved in mental health treatment;
- (7) A member who is a nurse;
- (8) A member who represents caregivers;
- (9) A member who represents patients;
- (10) A member who represents agriculture;
- (11) A member who represents persons involved in the treatment of alcohol and drug addiction;
- (12) A member who engages in academic research.



(B) The governor shall appoint the members described in divisions (A)(1), (2), (4), (10), (11), and (12) of this section. The senate president shall appoint the members described in divisions (A)(3) and (8) of this section. The minority leader of the senate shall appoint the member described in division (A)(7) of this section. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint the members described in divisions (A)(6) and (9) of this section. The minority leader of the house of representatives shall appoint the member described in division (A)(5) of this section. Not more than six members shall be of the same political party.

(C) Appointments to the committee shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section.

(D) Each member of the committee shall serve from the date of appointment until the committee ceases to exist, except that members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

(E) The governor shall select a member of the committee to serve as its chairperson.

(F) Each member of the committee shall receive a per diem compensation determined in accordance with division (J) of section 124.15 of the Revised Code. In addition, each member shall receive actual and necessary travel expenses in connection with committee meetings and business.

(G) The committee shall hold its initial meeting not later than thirty days after the last member of the committee is appointed. The committee may develop and submit to the department of commerce, state board of pharmacy, and the state medical board any recommendations related to the medical marijuana control program and the implementation and enforcement of Chapter 3796. of the Revised Code.

(H) The committee is not subject to sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code.

(I) The committee shall cease to exist on the date that occurs five years and thirty days after the effective date of this act September 8, 2016.