

HOUSE BILL 33

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Glenn**

Requested: November 20, 2018

Introduced and read first time: January 9, 2019

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Medical Cannabis – Provider Applications – Opioid Use Disorder**

3 FOR the purpose of encouraging the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission to
4 approve provider applications for patients who have an opioid use disorder; and
5 generally relating to provider applications for medical cannabis for patients with an
6 opioid use disorder.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Health – General

9 Section 13–3304(d)

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Health – General**

15 13–3304.

16 (d) (1) The Commission is encouraged to approve provider applications for the
17 following medical conditions:

18 (i) A chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition that results
19 in a patient being admitted into hospice or receiving palliative care; [or]

20 **(II) AN OPIOID USE DISORDER; OR**

21 **[(ii)] (III)** A chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 the treatment of a chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition that produces:

- 2 1. Cachexia, anorexia, or wasting syndrome;
- 3 2. Severe or chronic pain;
- 4 3. Severe nausea;
- 5 4. Seizures; or
- 6 5. Severe or persistent muscle spasms.

7 (2) The Commission may not limit treatment of a particular medical
8 condition to one class of providers.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2019.