

**Michigan Medical Marihuana Act
Program Information and Financial Data
For Fiscal Year 2014**

(Pursuant to Section 507 (1) and (2) of PA 252 of 2014)

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Executive Summary:

Public Act 252 of 2014 requires the following:

Section 507 (1): *The department shall submit a report by January 1 to the standing committees on appropriations of the senate and house of representatives, the fiscal agencies, and the state budget director that includes all of the following information for the prior fiscal year regarding the medical marihuana program under the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26421 to 333.26430:*

- (a) The number of initial applications received.*
- (b) The number of initial applications approved and the number of initial applications denied.*
- (c) The average amount of time, from receipt to approval or denial, to process an initial application.*
- (d) The number of renewal applications received.*
- (e) The number of renewal applications approved and the number of renewal applications denied.*
- (f) The average amount of time, from receipt to approval or denial, to process a renewal application.*
- (g) The percentage of initial applications not approved or denied within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426.*
- (h) The percentage of renewal applications not approved or denied within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426.*
- (i) The percentage of registry cards for approved initial applications not issued within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426.*
- (j) The percentage of registry cards for approved renewal applications not issued within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426.*
- (k) The amount collected from the medical marihuana program application and renewal fees authorized in section 5 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26425.*
- (l) The costs of administering the medical marihuana program under the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26421 to 333.26430.*

Section 507 (2): *If the required fees are shown to be insufficient to offset all expenses of implementing and administering the medical marihuana program, the department shall review and revise the application and renewal fees accordingly to ensure that all expenses of implementing and administering the medical marihuana program are offset as is permitted under section 5 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26425.*

Pursuant to this requirement, this report has been prepared and issued electronically to the House and Senate appropriations subcommittees, House and Senate Fiscal Agencies, and the state budget director to meet the January 1 reporting requirement. In addition, this report is also online under the following locations:

- The Bureau of Health Care Services website at: www.michigan.gov/bhcs.
- The All About LARA section - Legislative Reports of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs website at: www.michigan.gov/lara.

Background:

The Michigan Medical Marihuana Program (MMMP) is a state registry program within the Health Professions Licensing Division in the Bureau of Health Care Services at the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. The program administers the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act as approved by Michigan voters on November 4, 2008. The program implements the statutory tenets of this act in such a manner that protects the public and assures the confidentiality of its participants.

Specifically, the information provided is based on data from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

Required Information for Section 507 (1):

(a) The number of initial applications received.

92,652

(b) The number of initial applications approved and the number of initial applications denied.

Initial Applications Approved: 71,336

Initial Applications Denied: 21,316

(c) The average amount of time, from receipt to approval or denial, to process an initial application:

9.1 Business Days

(d) The number of renewal applications received:

24,329

(e) The number of renewal applications approved and the number of renewal applications denied:

Renewal Applications Approved: 20,562
Renewal Applications Denied: 3,767

(f) The average amount of time, from receipt to approval or denial, to process a renewal application:

9.6 Business Days

(g) The percentage of initial applications not approved or denied within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426:

0.45%

(h) The percentage of renewal applications not approved or denied within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426:

1.62%

(i) The percentage of registry cards for approved initial applications not issued within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426:

3.32%

(j) The percentage of registry cards for approved renewal applications not issued within the time requirements established in section 6 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26426:

1.86%

(k) The amount collected from the medical marihuana program application and renewal fees authorized in section 5 of the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26425.

\$8,882,419.35

(l) The costs of administering the medical marihuana program under the Michigan medical marihuana act, 2008 IL 1, MCL 333.26421 to 333.26430.

\$5,863,496.08

Required Information for Section 507 (2): The fees are sufficient to cover expenses.

Summary:

The Bureau of Health Care Services (BHCS) executive and legislative charge is to fulfill health care licensing and regulatory responsibilities to the people of Michigan. This includes the administration and oversight of the Michigan Medical Marihuana Program. The information contained in this report is required pursuant to Section 507 (1) and (2) of PA 252 of 2014 and provides specific information regarding initial and renewal medical marihuana applications as well as program expenditure and revenue information for the time period beginning October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.