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SENATE BILL 18-261

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING ADDING A CONDITION FOR WHICH A PHYSICIAN COULD  
102 PRESCRIBE AN OPIATE FOR PAIN TO THE LIST OF DISABLING  
103 MEDICAL CONDITIONS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA USE.

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Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill adds a condition for which a physician could prescribe an opiate for pain to the list of disabling medical conditions that authorize a person to use medical marijuana for his or her condition.

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Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1.5-106, **amend**  
3 (2)(a.7) as follows:

4 **25-1.5-106. Medical marijuana program - powers and duties**  
5 **of state health agency - rules - medical review board - medical**  
6 **marijuana program cash fund - subaccount - created - repeal.**

7 (2) **Definitions.** In addition to the definitions set forth in section 14 (1)  
8 of article XVIII of the state constitution, as used in this section, unless the  
9 context otherwise requires:

10 (a.7) "Disabling medical condition" means:

11 (I) Post-traumatic stress disorder as diagnosed by a licensed  
12 mental health provider or physician; AND

13 (II) A CONDITION FOR WHICH A PHYSICIAN COULD PRESCRIBE AN  
14 OPIATE FOR PAIN.

15 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
16 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
17 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
18 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a  
19 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
20 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
21 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
22 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
23 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
24 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.