



Bill Title: Medical Marijuana—Patient Renewal—Severe Hardship

Bill Number: ESHB 1094

Effective Date: July 28, 2019*

Amends: RCW 69.51A.030, RCW 69.51A.230

Summary

This bill:

- Authorizes a qualifying patient to get their medical marijuana authorization renewed via telemedicine rather than in-person if a health care professional determines that an in-person exam would likely cause a severe hardship to the qualifying patient
- Removes the requirement for a qualifying patient to be physically present and have a photograph taken when renewing registration in the Medical Marijuana Authorization Database and recognition care if a health care practitioner finds that it would result in a severe hardship to the qualifying patient
- Names the new provisions “compassionate care renewals”
- *Compassionate care renewals take effect November 1, 2019; other provisions are effective July 28, 2019

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