



SENATE BILL 550

By Briggs

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 68, Chapter 7, relative to the medical cannabis commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-7-103(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(1) The speaker of the senate shall appoint three (3) members as follows:

(A) One (1) member must be a physician licensed under title 63, chapter 6 or 9;

(B) One (1) member must be a pharmacist licensed under title 63, chapter 10; and

(C) One (1) member must be a specialist in the area of substance abuse prevention. The speaker shall select the member from a list of three (3) names submitted by the Prevention Alliance of Tennessee, with the member to be appointed by the speaker on or after July 1, 2025, in accordance with subsection (b).

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2025, the public welfare requiring it.

Amendment No. 2 to SB0550

Briggs
Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 550*

House Bill No. 2404

by deleting the second sentence in subdivision (1)(C) in SECTION 1.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting SECTION 2 and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2026, the public welfare requiring it and only applies to appointments made on or after that date.

Amendment No. 3 to SB0550

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-7-103(a), is amended by deleting the language "nine (9) members" and substituting "ten (10) members".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-7-103(a)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(3) The governor shall appoint four (4) members:

(A) One (1) member who:

(i) Is a patient who has been diagnosed with a qualifying medical disease or condition and who can establish the diagnosis for purposes of appointment to and service on the commission with a valid letter of attestation; or

(ii) Is the caregiver of a patient described in subdivision (a)(3)(A)(i) or who was a caregiver for a patient as described in subdivision (a)(3)(A)(i) and the patient is now deceased;

(B) One (1) member who is a subject matter expert with knowledge of how cannabis is cultivated, processed, shipped, distributed, or prescribed for medical use;

(C) One (1) member who meets the qualifications for appointment under subdivision (a)(3)(A) or (B); and

(D) One (1) member who is a specialist in the area of substance abuse prevention, who serves as a nonvoting member.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2026, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to appointments made on or after that date.