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Floor Amendment to SB 388

Amend the bill by replacing sections 1 and 2 with the following:

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- 1 New Paragraph; Use of Cannabis for Therapeutic Purposes; Departmental Rules. Amend RSA 126-X:6 by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph:
- IV. The department may adopt rules regarding the establishment of a second dispensary location by the alternative treatment centers described in RSA 126-X:7, X including, but not limited to, fees, operational requirements, and geographic location.
- 2 New Paragraph; Use of Cannabis for Therapeutic Purposes; Dispensary Locations. Amend RSA 126-X:7 by inserting after paragraph IX the following new paragraph:
- X. If the department determines that having additional locations for the dispensing of therapeutic cannabis is necessary to adequately and effectively meet the needs of qualifying patients and designated caregivers, the department may authorize the alternative treatment center allowed to operate in the geographic area that includes Carroll, Coos, and Grafton counties, not including the town of Hanover and the city of Lebanon in Grafton county, to establish a second dispensary location within that same geographic area. In addition, the department may authorize the alternative treatment center allowed to operate in the geographic area that includes Cheshire and Sullivan counties and the town of Hanover and the city of Lebanon in Grafton county to establish a second dispensary location within that same geographic area. A second dispensary location shall only be established in a geographic location approved by the department, shall be limited solely to the dispensing of cannabis and educational efforts, and shall not be used for cultivation or other activities relative to the production of cannabis. A second dispensary location shall be subject to rules adopted by the department under RSA 126-X:6, III, and any additional rules adopted by the department relative to a second dispensary location under RSA 126-X:6, IV, and all applicable provisions of this chapter relative to alternative treatment centers including, but not limited to, compliance with local zoning laws. The department shall, in conjuction with the local governing body of the town or city where the second dispensary location would be located, solicit input from qualifying patients, designated caregivers, and residents of the town or city in which the second dispensary location would be located.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes the department of health and human services to establish a second dispensary location in the geographic area that includes Carroll, Coos, and Grafton counties, for therapeutic cannabis. This bill also authorizes the department of health and human services to establish a second dispensary location in the geographic area that includes Cheshire and Sullivan counties.