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House of Representatives, March 2, 2023

**An Act to Maintain Legislative Oversight of the Maine Medical Use
of Cannabis Program by Requiring Major Substantive Rulemaking**

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.
Cosponsored by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland and
Representatives: ANKELES of Brunswick, COLLINGS of Portland.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2422-A, sub-§2, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 2021, c. 652, §1, is
3 amended to read:

4 A. Notwithstanding Title 5, section 8072, subsection 11 or any other provision of law
5 to the contrary, rules provisionally adopted by the department in accordance with this
6 subsection and submitted for legislative review may not be finally adopted by the
7 department unless legislation authorizing final adoption of those rules is enacted into
8 law.

9 ~~This paragraph is repealed on November 1, 2025.~~

10 **SUMMARY**

11 This bill removes the provision of law that, on November 1, 2025, repeals the
12 requirement that major substantive rules provisionally adopted by the Department of
13 Administrative and Financial Services relating to the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act
14 and submitted for legislative review may not be finally adopted by the department unless
15 legislation authorizing final adoption of those rules is enacted into law.