SENATE BILL 179

E4 SB 97/19 – JPR

By: **Senators Hough, Ready, and Smith** Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2020 Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Firearms – Right to Purchase, Possess, and Carry – Use of Medical Cannabis

- FOR the purpose of providing that a person may not be denied the right to purchase,
 possess, or carry a firearm solely on the basis that the person is authorized to use
 medical cannabis; and generally relating to firearms.
- 6 BY adding to
- 7 Article Public Safety
- 8 Section 5–701 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 7. Miscellaneous"
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 13Article Public Safety
- 14 SUBTITLE 7. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 15 **5–701.**

16 A PERSON MAY NOT BE DENIED THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE, POSSESS, OR CARRY 17 A FIREARM UNDER THIS TITLE SOLELY ON THE BASIS THAT THE PERSON IS 18 AUTHORIZED TO USE MEDICAL CANNABIS UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 33 OF THE 19 HEALTH – GENERAL ARTICLE.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 21 October 1, 2020.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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