

## Marijuana Laws

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Although it is illegal to possess or use marijuana under federal law, numerous state laws permit medical or recreational marijuana use. This survey summarizes relevant labor and employment-law related provisions contained within state medical or recreational use laws. Specifically, if applicable, the survey examines whether the medical or recreational marijuana laws contain express provisions relating to: Discrimination against applicants and/or employees who under state law can legally possess and use medical marijuana; Drug testing; Workplace accommodation and restrictions. Additionally, it notes miscellaneous provisions in these laws that are relevant for employees (*e.g.*, prohibitions against driving while under the influence of medical marijuana; insurance reimbursement of medical marijuana costs).

## Medical & Recreational Marijuana Laws

General Medical Marijuana La	WS			
Alaska	Arizona	Arkansas	California	Colorado
Connecticut	Delaware	District of Columbia	Hawaii	Illinois
Maine	Maryland	Massachusetts	Michigan	Minnesota
Montana	Nevada	New Hampshire	New Jersey	New Mexico
New York	North Dakota	Ohio	Oregon	Pennsylvania
Rhode Island	Vermont	Washington	West Virginia	
Limited Medical Marijuana Lav	ws (Cannabidiol Laws)			
Alabama	Florida	Georgia	lowa	Kentucky
Louisiana	Missouri	North Carolina	South Carolina	Tennessee



Texas	Utah	Virginia	Wisconsin	
Recreational Marijuana Laws				
Alaska	California	Colorado	District of Columbia	Maine
Massachusetts	Nevada	Oregon	Vermont (Note: Opinions vary about whether this is a recreational marijuana law or simply a marijuana decriminlization law)	Washington

## What this Survey Does NOT Cover

References to statutes and regulations are expressly limited to state law concerning medical and/or recreational marijuana use. The survey is not an examination of laws that generally protect lawful activities, though caselaw decisions concerning the interplay between the marijuana and lawful activities statutes are mentioned in this survey. For a more complete discussion of lawful activity statutes, please see the GPS survey Laws Prohibiting Off Duty Conduct Discrimination.

Jurisdiction	Discrimination	Drug Testing	Workplace Accommodation &	Miscellaneous
			Restrictions	
Federal	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.
	Note: At least one federal appellate			Note: The U.S. Supreme Court has
	court has held that the Americans			held that state laws authorizing
	with Disabilities Act (ADA) did not			medical marijuana use do not
	protect medical marijuana users			insulate users from federal law
	who alleged discrimination based			making such behavior criminal.
	on their medical marijuana use.			Gonzales v. Raich, 545 U.S. 1
	James v. City of Costa Mesa, 700			(2005).
	F.3d 394 (9th Cir. 2012).			
Alabama	No relevant provisions located.	"Carly's Law" permits the use and	"Carly's Law" permits the use	No relevant provisions located.
		possession of Cannabidiol, which is	and possession of Cannabidiol,	
		a "( nonpsychoactive ) cannabinoid	which is a "( nonpsychoactive )	



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		found in the plant Cannabis sativa	cannabinoid found in the	
		L. or any other preparation thereof	plant Cannabis sativa L. or any	
		that is essentially free from plant	other preparation thereof that is	
		material, and has a THC level of no	essentially free from plant material,	
		more than 3 percent."	and has a THC level of no more	
		However, the law provides that it	than 3 percent."	
		is not to be construed to allow or	However, the law provides that it	
		accommodate the prescription,	is not to be construed to allow or	
		testing, medical use or possession	accommodate the prescription,	
		of any other form of cannabis other	testing, medical use or possession	
		than Cannabidiol.	of any other form of cannabis other	
		Ala. Code § 13A-12-224.	than Cannabidiol.	
		Updated 04/07/2014	Ala. Code § 13A-12-224.	
			Updated 04/07/2014	
Alaska	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located.	Medical Marijuana	Medical Marijuana
			The medical marijuana laws do not	No relevant provisions located.
			require any accommodation of any medical use of marijuana in any	Recreational Marijuana
			place of employment. Alaska Stat.	The law does not allow driving
			§ 17.37.040.	under the influence of marijuana or
			Recreational Marijuana	supersede laws related to driving under the influence of marijuana.
			An employer is not required	Alaska Stat. § 17.138.120.
			to permit or accommodate the	_
			use, consumption, possession,	Updated 02/24/2015
			transfer, display, transportation,	



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			sale or growing of marijuana in the workplace.	
			The law does not affect employers' ability to have policies restricting employee marijuana use. An employer who occupies, owns or controls private property can prohibit or otherwise regulate marijuana possession, consumption, use, display, transfer, distribution, sale, transportation, or growing on or in that property. Alaska Stat. § 17.138.120. <i>Updated 02/24/2015</i>	
Arizona	<ul> <li>Unless failure to do so would cause an employer to lose a monetary or licensing related benefit under federal law or regulations, an employer cannot discriminate against a person in hiring, termination or imposing any term or condition of employment or otherwise penalize a person based upon either:</li> <li>The person's status as a cardholder.</li> </ul>	Unless failure to do so would cause an employer to lose a monetary or licensing related benefit under federal law or regulations, an employer cannot discriminate against a person in hiring, termination or imposing any term or condition of employment or otherwise penalize a person based upon a registered qualifying patient's positive drug test for marijuana components or metabolites, unless the patient used, possessed or was impaired	An employer can prohibit the ingestion of marijuana in any workplace. An employer can prohibit an employee working while under the influence of marijuana. However, a registered qualifying patient cannot be considered to be under the influence of marijuana solely because of the presence of metabolites or components of	<ul> <li>Under the medical marijuana laws, a person cannot engage in the following conduct:</li> <li>Undertaking any task under the influence of marijuana that would constitute negligence or professional malpractice.</li> <li>Operating, navigating or being in actual physical control of any motor vehicle, aircraft or motorboat while under the influence of marijuana, except that a registered</li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>A registered qualifying patient's positive drug test for marijuana components or metabolites, unless the patient used, possessed or was impaired by marijuana on the premises of the place of employment or during the hours of employment.</li> <li>Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 36-2813.</li> </ul>	by marijuana on the premises of the place of employment or during the hours of employment. Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 36-2813. A registered qualifying patient cannot be considered to be under the influence of marijuana solely because of the presence of metabolites or components of marijuana that appear in insufficient concentration to cause impairment. Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 36-2814.	program in accordance with the Drug Testing of Employees Act may refuse to place medical marijuana users in safety-sensitive jobs, and may discipline individuals when there is a good faith belief that the employee was impaired by or improperly possessed marijuana while at work or during work hours. Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 23-493.06.	<ul> <li>qualifying patient shall not be considered to be under the influence of marijuana solely because of the presence of metabolites or components of marijuana that appear in insufficient concentration to cause impairment.</li> <li>Using marijuana except as authorized under the law.</li> <li>Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 36-2802.</li> <li>An employer cannot be penalized or denied any benefit under state law for employing a registered qualifying patient or a registered designated caregiver. Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 36-2811.</li> <li>A private health insurer is not required to reimburse a person for costs associated with the medical marijuana use.</li> <li>A workers' compensation carrier, or a self-insured employer providing workers' compensation benefits, is not required to reimburse a person for costs associated with medical marijuana use.</li> </ul>



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Arkansas	Employers cannot discriminate	An employer can establish and	An employer is not required	Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 36-2814. <i>Updated 07/03/2015</i> <b>Coverage</b>
	against an applicant or employee in hiring, termination, or any term or condition of employment, or otherwise penalize an applicant or employee based on past or present status as a qualifying patient or designated caregiver. Ark. Const. amend. 98, § 3. <i>See also</i> Miscellaneous (Coverage / Authorized & Protected Actions / Damages & Liability). <i>Updated 08/04/2017</i>	implement a substance abuse or drug-free workplace policy that may include a drug testing program that complies with state or federal law and take action against an applicant or employee under the policy. Ark. Const. amend. 98, § 3. A positive test result for marijuana is one at or above the cutoff concentration level established by the United States Department of Transportation or the Arkansas laws regarding being under the influence, whichever is lower. Ark. Const. amend. 98, § 2. <i>See also</i> Miscellaneous (Coverage / Current Use of Marijuana / Under the Influence / Authorized & Protected Actions / Damages & Liability). <i>Updated 08/04/2017</i>	to accommodate ingestion of marijuana in a workplace or an employee working while under the influence of marijuana. *A cause of action is unavailable against an employer that acts on a good faith belief that a qualifying patient possessed, smoked, ingested, or otherwise engaged in marijuana use on the employer's premises or during work hours, or was under the influence of marijuana while on the employer's premises during work hours, provided a positive test result for marijuana cannot provide the sole basis for the employer's good faith belief. **A good faith belief is reasonable reliance on a fact, or that which is held out to be factual, without intent to deceive or be deceived and without reckless or malicious disregard for the truth, but does not include a belief formed with gross	<ul> <li>Employer: An entity that employs 9 or more employees in Arkansas in 20 or more calendar weeks in the current or preceding calendar year.</li> <li>Employee: An individual employed by an employer, but does not include and individual: <ul> <li>Employed by his or her parents, spouse, or child;</li> <li>Participating in a specialized 16 employment training program conducted by a nonprofit sheltered workshop or rehabilitation facility;</li> <li>Employed outside Arkansas;</li> <li>Who is an independent contractor.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Current Use of Marijuana: Marijuana use that justifies an employer's good faith belief an applicant or employee is engaging in marijuana use. It is presumed when a positive test result for marijuana occurs.</li> </ul>

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			negligence. A good faith belief may	Under the Influence: Symptoms
			be based on any of the following:	of current marijuana use that may
			<ul> <li>Observed conduct, behavior, or appearance;</li> <li>Information reported by a person believed to be reliable including without limitation a report by a person who witnessed marijuana or marijuana paraphernalia use or possession by an applican or employee in the workplace</li> <li>Written, electronic, or verbal statements from the employee or other persons;</li> <li>Lawful video surveillance;</li> <li>A record of government agencies, law enforcement agencies, or courts;</li> <li>A positive test result for marijuana;</li> <li>A warning label, usage standard, or other printed material that accompany instructions for usable marijuana;</li> <li>Information from a physician, medical review officer, or a dispensary;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>negatively impact performing job duties or tasks or constitute a threat to health or safety, including, without limitation:</li> <li>Symptoms of the applicant's or employee's speech, walking, standing, physical dexterity, agility, coordination, actions, movement,</li> </ul>



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			Information from reputable reference sources in print or on the internet;     Other information.     *An employer can exclude a qualifying patient from being employed in or performing a safety sensitive position based on the employer's good faith belief that the qualifying patient was engaged in current marijuana use.     **A safety sensitive position is a position involving a safety sensitive function pursuant to federal regulations governing drug and alcohol testing adopted by the United States Department of Transportation or any other rules, guidelines, or regulations adopted by any other federal or state agency, and any position designated in writing by an employer as a safety sensitive position in which a person performing the position while under the influence of marijuana may constitute a threat to health or safety, including without limitation a position:	<ul> <li>may negatively impact the performance of the job duties or tasks or constitute a threat to health or safety.</li> <li>Ark. Const. amend. 98, § 2.</li> <li>Authorized &amp; Protected Actions: <ul> <li>An employer's authorized or protected actions include:</li> <li>Implementing, monitoring, or taking measures to assess, supervise, or control an employee's job performance;</li> <li>Reassigning an employee to a different position or job duties;</li> <li>Placing an employee on paid or unpaid leave;</li> <li>Suspending or terminating an employee;</li> <li>Requiring an employee to successfully complete a substance abuse program before returning to work;</li> <li>Refusing to hire an applicant; or</li> <li>Any combination of the above.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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			That requires any of these	Damages & Liability: Damages
			activities:	established for employment
			Carrying a firearm;	discrimination claim based on an
			Performing life-	applicant's or employee's past
			threatening procedures	or present status as a qualifying
			Working with	patient or designated caregiver are
			confidential information	limited to those available under
			or documents	the Arkansas Civil Rights Act.
			pertaining to criminal	Liability for back pay does not
			investigations; or	accrue from a date over 2 years
			Working with hazardous	before a lawsuit is filed. Damages
			or flammable materials,	do not duplicate or increase an
			controlled substances,	award for damages over the
			food, or medicine.	statutory limit allowed by state law
				or federal law existing on January
			In which a lapse of attention	1, 2017, whichever is lower. An
			could cause injury, illness, or	employment discrimination suit
			death, including without limitation	must be brought within 1 year of the
			a position that includes the	alleged discrimination. An individua
			operating, repairing, maintaining,	employee, employer agent, or
			or monitoring of heavy equipment,	employer agent's employee is not
			machinery, aircraft, motorized	liable for a violation an employer is
			watercraft, or motor vehicles as par	t found to have committed.
			of the job duties.	Ark. Const. amend. 98, § 3.
			Ark. Const. amend. 98, §§ **2,	Prohibited Acts: The law does not
			*3, 6. See also Miscellaneous	permit a person to:
			(Coverage / Current Use of	
			Marijuana / Under the Influence /	Undertake any task under the
				influence of marijuana when
				doing so would constitute



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			Authorized & Protected Actions / Damages & Liability). Updated 08/04/2017	<ul> <li>negligence or professional malpractice;</li> <li>Possess, smoke, or otherwise engage in the medical use of marijuana: <ul> <li>On a school bus;</li> <li>On the grounds of a daycare center, preschool, primary or secondary school, college, or university;</li> <li>At a drug or alcohol treatment facility;</li> <li>At a community or recreation center;</li> <li>In a correctional facility;</li> <li>On any form of public transportation; or</li> <li>In a public place</li> </ul> </li> <li>Operate, navigate, or be in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, aircraft, motorized watercraft, or any other vehicle drawn by power other than muscle power while under the influence of marijuana</li> <li>Smoke marijuana:</li> </ul>



Restrictions         • In a place where the smoking of tobacco is prohibited by law;         • In the presence of a person who is under 14 years of age;         • Inside a motor vehicle, aircraft, motorized watercraft, or any vehicle drawn by power
<ul> <li>smoking of tobacco is prohibited by law;</li> <li>In the presence of a person who is under 14 years of age;</li> <li>Inside a motor vehicle, aircraft, motorized watercraft, or any</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>other than muscle power;</li> <li>Knowingly in the presence of a pregnant woman; or</li> <li>In a place where the smoking of marijuana for medical use is likely to cause another person not authorized to use marijuana to be under the influence of marijuana</li> <li>Smoke marijuana for medical use if the person is under 21 years of age.</li> <li>Ark. Const. amend. 98, § 6.</li> <li>Updated 08/04/2017</li> </ul>



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California	Medical & Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana
	No relevant provisions located. Note: An applicant or employee who uses medical marijuana is not	Employers can maintain a drug-free workplace. Employers are not required to	Employers can maintain a drug-free workplace. Employers are not required to	<ul> <li>The law does not permit:</li> <li>Smoking marijuana or marijuana products in a</li> </ul>
	protected as a qualified individual under the Fair Employment and Housing Act when the employer acts on the basis of such use, and questions about current illegal drug use are not disability-related inquiries. Cal. Code Regs. tit. 2, § 11071. <i>But see Shepherd v.</i> <i>Kohl's Dep't Stores</i> , 2016 U.S.	permit or accommodate the use, consumption, possession, transfer, display, transportation, sale, or growth of marijuana in the workplace. Employers can have policies	permit or accommodate the use, consumption, possession, transfer, display, transportation, sale, or growth of marijuana in the workplace. Employers can have policies prohibiting marijuana use marijuana by employees and prospective employees.	<ul> <li>location where smoking tobacco is prohibited.</li> <li>Possessing an open container or open package of marijuana or marijuana products while driving, operating, or riding in the passenger seat or compartment of a motor vehicle, boat, vessel, aircraft,</li> </ul>
	Dist. LEXIS 101279 (E.D. Cal. Aug. 2, 2016) (Denying employer summary judgment on a breach of an implied contract / covenant of good faith and fair dealing claim. The former employee had a medical marijuana prescription. He was fired because a drug test revealed marijuana metabolites. The employer's policy stated an individual wouldn't be discriminated against concerning hiring, firing,	The law does not prevent employers from complying with state or federal law. Cal. Health & Safety Code § 11362.45. Sell also California Proposition 64, § 3 (intent behind the Adult Use of Marijuana Act included allowing private employers to enact and enforce workplace policies pertaining to marijuana).	The law does not prevent employers from complying with state or federal law. Cal. Health & Safety Code § 11362.45. Sell also California Proposition 64, § 3 (intent behind the Adult Use of Marijuana Act included allowing private employers to enact and enforce workplace policies pertaining to marijuana).	<ul> <li>or other vehicle used for transportation.</li> <li>Smoking or ingesting marijuana or marijuana products while driving, operating a motor vehicle, boat, vessel, aircraft, or other vehicle used for transportation.</li> <li>The law does not impact the medical marijuana law.</li> </ul>
	or any other term or condition of employment or otherwise penalized for being a registered medical marijuana cardholder or because	<b>Medical Marijuana</b> No relevant provisions located.	Medical Marijuana The medical marijuana laws do not require accommodation of medical use of marijuana on the	Cal. Health & Safety Code § 11362.3. The law does not impact:



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	such an individual tested positive for marijuana components or metabolites). <i>Updated 11/15/2016</i>	However, the California Supreme Court has held that "Under California law, an employer may require preemployment drug tests and take illegal drug use into consideration in making employment decisions." <i>Ross v.</i> <i>RagingWire Telecommunications,</i> <i>Inc.</i> , 174 P.3d 200 (Cal. 2008) (Compassionate Use Act & Fair Employment and Housing Act). <i>But see Shepherd v.</i> <i>Kohl's Dep't Stores</i> , 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 101279 (E.D. Cal. Aug. 2, 2016) (Denying employer summary judgment on a breach of an implied contract / covenant of good faith and fair dealing claim. The former employee had a medical marijuana prescription. He was fired because a drug test revealed marijuana metabolites. The employer's policy stated an individual wouldn't be discriminated against concerning hiring, firing, or any other term or condition of employment or otherwise penalized for being a registered medical marijuana cardholder or because such an individual tested positive	Lelecommunications Inc 1/4	<ul> <li>Laws prohibiting driving or operating a vehicle, boat, vessel, or aircraft, while smoking, ingesting, or impaired by, marijuana or marijuana products or the penalties for violating those laws</li> <li>Laws providing that it would constitute negligence or professional malpractice to undertake any task while impaired from smoking or ingesting marijuana or marijuana products.</li> <li>An individual or private entity's ability to prohibit or restrict action or conduct otherwise permitted under the law on its privately-owned property.</li> <li>The medical marijuana law.</li> <li>Cal. Health &amp; Safety Code § 11362.45</li> <li>Medical Marijuana</li> <li>A private or any other health insurance provider or health care service plan is not required to be liable for any claim for</li> </ul>



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		for marijuana components or metabolites). <i>Updated 11/15/</i> 2016	claim can be based simply on an employer's failure to abide by policies not required by FEHA.") <i>Updated 11/15/2016</i>	reimbursement for the medical use of marijuana. Cal. Health & Safety Code § 11362.785. Note: Unless an exception exists, employers cannot inquire about marijuana convictions that are more than 2 years' old. Cal. Lab. Code § 432.8 Updated 11/15/2016
Colorado	<ul> <li>No relevant provisions located.</li> <li>Notes</li> <li>The Supreme Court of Colorado held that, under the plain language of the state's "lawful activities statute" (Colo. Rev. Stat. § 24-34-402.5), the term</li> </ul>	No relevant provisions located. Notes • The Supreme Court of Colorado held that, under the plain language of the state's "lawful activities statute" (Colo. Rev. Stat. § 24-34-402.5), the term	An employer is not required to permit or accommodate the use, consumption, possession, transfer, display, transportation, sale or growing of marijuana in the workplace. An employer can have policies restricting the use of marijuana by employees.	The marijuana laws do not permit driving under the influence of marijuana or driving while impaired by marijuana. Colo. Const. art. XVIII, § 16.
	"lawful" refers only to activities that are lawful under both state and federal law. Therefore, employees who engage in an activity like medical marijuana use that is permitted by state law but unlawful under federal law are not protected by the statute. <i>Coats v. Dish Network</i> , 2015	that are lawful under both state and federal law. Therefore, employees who engage in an activity like medical marijuana use that is permitted by state law	Moreover, an employer who occupies, owns or controls a property can prohibit or otherwise regulate the possession, consumption, use, display, transfer, distribution, sale, transportation, or growing of marijuana on or in that property. Colo. Const. art. XVIII, § 16.	



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Jurisdiction	Discrimination         Colo. LEXIS 519 (June 15, 2015).         In an unpublished opinion, a federal court in Colorado held that disability discrimination laws were not violated when an employee was fired after testing positive for marijuana, which violated his employer's written drug policy. <i>Curry v. MillerCoors, Inc.</i> , 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 118730 (D. Colo. Aug. 21, 2013).         Updated 06/15/2015	<ul> <li>Drug Testing</li> <li>violating the company's drug policy when he tested positive for tetrahydrocannabinol ("THC"), a component of medical marijuana, during a random drug test. <i>Coats v. Dish Network</i>, 2015 Colo. LEXIS 519 (June 15, 2015).</li> <li>A state appellate court held that a former employee could be denied unemployee could be denied unemployeent benefits for testing positive for marijuana in violation of his employer's zero-tolerance drug policy, even though employee's medical use was permitted under state law. <i>Beinor v. Indus. Claim Appeals Office of Colo.</i> &amp; Serv. Group, Inc., 262 P.3d</li> </ul>	Restrictions	Miscellaneous
		employee's medical use was permitted under state law. <i>Beinor v. Indus. Claim</i> <i>Appeals Office of Colo. &amp;</i> <i>Serv. Group, Inc.</i> , 262 P.3d		
		970 (Colo. Ct. App. 2011); see also Curry v. MillerCoors, Inc., 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 118730 (D. Colo. Aug. 21, 2013) (Unpublished) (Medical		
		marijuana user-employee could be fired for testing positive for marijuana, in violation of employer's written drug policy).		

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Connecticut	Unless required by federal law or required to obtain federal funding, an employer cannot refuse to hire a person or discharge, penalize or threaten an employee solely on the basis of the individual's status as a qualifying patient or primary caregiver. Conn. Gen. Stat. § 21a.408p. Ruling on a motion to dismiss, a federal judge held: 1) the federal Controlled Substances Act (CSA) and Americans with Disabilities Act did not preempt the state medical marijuana law's anti-discrimination provision; and 2) Hiring a medical marijuana user was not a violation of the CSA or any other federal, state, or local law. <i>Noffsinger v.</i> <i>SSC Niantic Operating Co.</i> , 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124960 (D. Conn. Aug, 8, 2017). <i>Updated 08/18/2017</i>	No relevant provisions located. Ruling on a motion to dismiss, a federal judge held: 1) the federal Controlled Substances Act (CSA) and Americans with Disabilities Act did not preempt the state medical marijuana law's anti-discrimination provision; and 2) Hiring a medical marijuana user was not a violation of the CSA or any other federal, state, or local law. <i>Noffsinger v.</i> <i>SSC Niantic Operating Co.</i> , 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124960 (D. Conn. Aug, 8, 2017) (Conditional job offer rescinded for failing drug test). <i>Updated 08/18/2017</i>	use of intoxicating substances during work hours; 2) discipline an employee for being under the	The medical marijuana laws do not permit ingesting marijuana in a moving vehicle. Conn. Gen. Stat. § 21a.408a. <b>Private Right of Action</b> : Ruling on a motion to dismiss, a federal judge held the medical marijuana law's anti-discrimination provision provided an implied private right of action. Noffsinger v. SSC Niantic Operating Co., 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124960 (D. Conn. Aug, 8, 2017) <i>Updated 08/18/2017</i>
Delaware	Unless a failure to do so would cause the employer to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or federal	Unless a failure to do so would cause the employer to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or federal	An employer can prohibit the ingestion of marijuana in any workplace.	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Undertaking any task under the influence of marijuana,</li> </ul>



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	regulations, an employer cannot discriminate against a person in hiring, termination, or any term or condition of employment, or otherwise penalize a person, if the discrimination is based upon either: • The person's status as a cardholder; or • A registered qualifying patient's positive drug test for marijuana components or metabolites, unless the patient used, possessed, or was impaired by marijuana on the premises of the place of employment or during the hours of employment. Del. Code Ann. tit. 16, § 4905A.	regulations, an employer cannot discriminate against a person in hiring, termination, or any term or condition of employment, or otherwise penalize a person, if the discrimination is based upon a registered qualifying patient's positive drug test for marijuana components or metabolites, unless the patient used, possessed, or was impaired by marijuana on the premises of the place of employment or during the hours of employment. Del. Code Ann. tit. 16, § 4905A.	An employer can prohibit an employee from working while under the influence of marijuana. Note, however, that a registered qualifying patient will not be considered under the influence of marijuana solely because of the presence of metabolites or components of marijuana. An employer can discipline an employee for ingesting marijuana in the workplace or working while under the influence of marijuana. Del. Code Ann. tit. 16, § 4907A.	<ul> <li>when doing so would constitute negligence or professional malpractice;</li> <li>Smoking marijuana in any form of transportation;</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of any motor vehicle, aircraft, or motorboat while under the influence of marijuana, except that a registered qualifying patient or visiting qualifying patient is not be considered to be under the influence of marijuana solely because of the presence of metabolites or components of marijuana.</li> <li>Del. Code Ann. tit. 16, § 4904A.</li> <li>An employer cannot be penalized or denied any benefit under state law for employing a cardholder.</li> <li>Del. Code Ann. tit. 16, § 4905A.</li> <li>Participation in the medical marijuana program by a qualified patient or primary caregiver does not relieve the qualified patient or primary caregiver from criminal</li> </ul>



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District of Columbia	Note: The status of D.C. marijuana laws is unclear. See Introduction.	Note: The status of D.C. marijuana laws is unclear. See Introduction.	Note: The status of D.C. marijuana laws is unclear. See Introduction.	<ul> <li>prosecution or civil penalty for possession, distribution or transfers of marijuana or use of marijuana in the individual's workplace.</li> <li>16-4000-4470 Del. Admin. Code § 9.3.1.3.3.</li> <li>The Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, with a cardholder's permission, can confirm the individual's status as a registered qualifying patient or registered designated caregiver to an employer.</li> <li>Del. Code Ann. tit. 16, § 4921A.</li> <li>Note: The status of D.C. marijuana laws is unclear. See Introduction.</li> </ul>
	No relevant provisions located.	Recreational Marijuana	Medical Marijuana	Medical Marijuana
	Updated 12/17/2014	<ul> <li>"Q: After Initiative 71 takes legal effect, can my employer subject me to drug tests or otherwise subject me to potential employment consequences for my use of marijuana?</li> <li>A: Yes. Just because possession by adults 21 years or older and use in certain circumstances has been</li> </ul>	2016) (On a motion to dismiss, dismissing former employee's wrongful termination in violation	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit a person to:</li> <li>Undertake any task under the influence of medical marijuana when doing so would constitute negligence or professional malpractice.</li> <li>Operate, navigate, or be in physical control of any motor</li> </ul>



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			such legal marijuana use by their employees [T]he District here can at most be said to maintain a public policy that decriminalizes and allows the consumption of marijuana for private medical reasons. That is a far cry from prohibiting employers from terminating such users."). <b>Recreational Marijuana</b> Any employer is not required to permit or accommodate the use, consumption, possession, transfer, display, transportation, sale or growing of marijuana in the workplace. An employer can establish and enforce policies restricting employee marijuana use.	vehicle, aircraft, or motorboat while under the influence of medical marijuana. D.C. Code § 7-1671.03. <b>Recreational Marijuana</b> The law does not permit driving under the influence of marijuana, or driving while impaired by marijuana use or ingestion, or modify existing laws concerning driving under the influence of, or while impaired by, marijuana. D.C. Code § 408-904.01. <i>Updated 02/26/2015</i>



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		workplace or at any time	distribution, sale, transportation or	
		during employment;	growth on or in that property.	
		Interfere with federal     employment contracts; or	D.C. Code § 408-904.01.	
		Prevent employers from	Pre-Employment Marijuana	
		denying a position based on	a Testing	
		positive test for marijuana.	An employer can only test	
		Not yet codified.	prospective employees for	
		Lindated OF D7/2015	marijuana use after making a	
		Updated 05/27/2015	conditional offer of employment,	
			unless otherwise required by law.	
			However, the law does not:	
			Affect employee compliance	
			with employer workplace drug	
			policies;	
			Require employers to permit	
			or accommodate marijuana	
			use, consumption, transfer,	
			display, transportation,	
			sale, or growing in the	
			workplace or at any time	
			during employment;	
			Interfere with federal	
			employment contracts; or	
			Prevent employers from	
			denying a position based on a positive test for marijuana.	
			Not yet codified.	

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Florida	The law does not create a cause of action against an employer for wrongful discharge or discrimination. Fla. Stat. Ann. § 381.986. <i>Updated 07/05/2017</i>	<ul> <li>The law does not:</li> <li>Limit an employer's ability to establish, continue, or enforce a drug-free workplace program or policy.</li> <li>Relieve a person from any requirement under law to submit to a breath, blood, urine, or other test to detect the presence of a controlled substance.</li> <li>Fla. Stat. Ann. § 381.986.</li> <li>Updated 07/05/2017</li> </ul>	Employers are not required to accommodate on-site medical marijuana use in a place of employment *or any employee working while under the influence of marijuana*. Fla. Const. art. X, § 29; *Fla. Stat. Ann. § 381.986. "Medical use" does not include use or administration of marijuana in a qualified patient's place of employment, except when permitted by his or her employer. Fla. Stat. Ann. § 381.986. <i>Updated 07/05/2017</i>	<ul> <li>The law does not, <i>e.g.</i>:</li> <li>Affect or repeal laws relating to non-medical use, possession, production, or sale of marijuana</li> <li>Permit operating any vehicle, aircraft, train or boat while under the influence of marijuana <ul> <li>*"Medical use" does not include use or administration of marijuana in a school bus, a vehicle, an aircraft, or a motorboat, except for low THC cannabis.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Require violating federal law.</li> <li>Require a health insurance provider to reimburse any person for expenses related to medical marijuana is not reimbursable under the workers' compensation law.</li> </ul>



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				Affect or repeal laws relating to negligence or professional malpractice on the part of a qualified patient, caregiver, physician, medical marijuana treatment center, or its agents or employees.
				Fla. Const. art. X, § 29; *Fla. Stat. Ann. § 381.986.
				"Medical use" does not include use or administration of marijuana in any public place, except for low- THC cannabis.
				A qualified patient who uses in prohibited locations commits a misdemeanor of the first degree.
				The law does not exempt a person from prosecution for a criminal offense related to impairment or intoxication resulting from the medical use of marijuana.
				Fla. Stat. Ann. § 381.986.
				Updated 07/05/2017
Georgia	No relevant provisions located.	Haleigh's Hope Act allows the	Haleigh's Hope Act allows the	No relevant provisions located.
	Updated 04/16/2015	prescription, use, and possession of 20 fluid ounces or less of THC oil (no more than 5% THC	prescription, use, and possession of 20 fluid ounces or less of THC oil (no more than 5% THC	Updated 04/16/2015



		Restrictions	
		Resulctions	
	of cannabidiol) if the individual is registered and has cancer, ALS, seizure disorders related to epilepsy or trauma-related head injuries, Mitochondrial disease, or severe or end-stage MS, Parkinson's Disease, or Sickle cell disease.	and an equal or great amount of cannabidiol) if the individual is registered and has cancer, ALS, seizure disorders related to epilepsy or trauma-related head injuries, Mitochondrial disease, or severe or end-stage MS, Parkinson's Disease, or Sickle cell disease. However, the law does not	
	<ul> <li>However, the law does not affect an employer's ability to:</li> <li>Have a written zero tolerance policy prohibiting on-duty and off-duty marijuana use.</li> <li>Prohibit an employee from having a detectable amount of marijuana in his or her system while at work.</li> <li>Ga. Code Ann. §§ 16-12-190, 16-12-191.</li> <li>Updated 04/16/2015</li> </ul>	requires an employer to permit or accommodate the use, consumption, possession, transfer, display, transportation, sale, or growing of marijuana in any form. Additionally, the law does not affect an employer's ability to:	



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Hawaii	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located.	The medical marijuana laws do not permit medical use of marijuana in the workplace. Haw. Rev. Stat. § 329-122.	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit medical use of marijuana:</li> <li>In a moving vehicle.</li> <li>That endangers the health or well-being of another person.</li> <li>Haw. Rev. Stat. § 329-122.</li> </ul>
Idaho	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.
Illinois	Unless failing to do so would put an employer in violation of federal law or would cause it to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or rules, an employer cannot penalize a person solely for his or her status as a registered qualifying patient or a registered designated caregiver. 410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/40. Note: Medical marijuana laws are set to expire July 1, 2020. 410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/220. <i>Updated 07/13/2016</i>	<ul> <li>An employer can enforce a policy concerning drug testing, zero-tolerance, or a drug free workplace provided the policy is applied in a nondiscriminatory manner.</li> <li>An employer can: <ul> <li>Discipline a registered qualifying patient for violating a workplace drug policy.</li> <li>Discipline an employee for failing a drug test if failing to do so would put the employer in violation of federal law or cause it to lose a federal contract or funding.</li> </ul> </li> <li>An employer can consider a registered qualifying patient to be impaired when he or she manifests specific, articulable symptoms while working that decrease or lessen</li> </ul>	Note: Medical marijuana laws are set to expire July 1, 2020. 410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/220. <i>Updated 07/13/2016</i>	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Undertaking any task under the influence of cannabis, when doing so would constitute negligence, professional malpractice, or professional misconduct</li> <li>Using cannabis in a motor vehicle</li> <li>Possessing cannabis in a vehicle not open to the public unless the medical cannabis is in a reasonably secured, sealed, tamper-evident container and reasonably inaccessible while the vehicle is moving;</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or being in physical control of a motor vehicle, aircraft,</li> </ul>



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		the employee's performance of		or motorboat while using
		the duties or tasks of his or her		or under the influence of
		position, including:		cannabis;
		Symptoms of the employee's		Use of medical cannabis by
		speech, physical dexterity,		a person with a school bus
		agility, coordination,		permit or commercial driver's
		demeanor, irrational or		license.
		unusual behavior, negligence		410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/30.
		or carelessness in operating		410 m. comp. Stat. 130/30.
		equipment or machinery,		An employer cannot be penalized
		<ul> <li>Disregard for the safety of the</li> </ul>		or denied any benefit under state
		employee or others;		law for employing a cardholder. 41
		<ul> <li>Involvement in an accident</li> </ul>		III. Comp. Stat. 130/40.
		that results in serious damage	2	An employer, property and casualt
		to equipment or property;		insurer, or private health insurer
		<ul> <li>Disruption of a production or</li> </ul>		is not required to reimburse a
		manufacturing process;		person for costs associated with th
		Carelessness that results in		medical use of cannabis. 410 III.
		any injury to the employee or		Comp. Stat. 130/40.
		others.		
				The medical marijuana laws do not
		If an employer elects to discipline		create or imply a private cause of
		a qualifying patient, it must afford		action against an employer for:
		the employee a reasonable		Actions based on the
		opportunity to contest the basis of		employer's good faith belief
		the determination.		that a registered qualifying
		410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/50.		patient used or possessed
				cannabis while on the
		Additionally, the medical marijuana		employer's premises or during
		laws do not interfere with any		the hours of employment;



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		federal restrictions on employment, including but not limited to the U.S. Department of Transportation regulation 49 C.F.R. § 40.151(e) ( <i>i.e.</i> , Drug Testing). 410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/50. Note: Medical marijuana laws are set to expire July 1, 2020. 410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/220. <i>Updated 07/13/2016</i>		<ul> <li>Actions based on the employer's good faith belief that a registered qualifying patient was impaired while working on the employer's premises during the hours of employment;</li> <li>Injury or loss to a third party if the employer neither knew nor had reason to know that the employee was impaired.</li> <li>410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/50.</li> <li>Note: Medical marijuana laws are set to expire July 1, 2020. 410 III. Comp. Stat. 130/220.</li> </ul>
Indiana	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	Updated 07/13/2016 No medical marijuana laws.
Iowa	No medical manjuana laws. No private-employer-related provisions. The Medical Cannabidiol Act allows a person to knowingly or intentionally possess or use cannabidiol for a debilitating medical condition. See Iowa Code §§ 124E.1 <i>et seq.</i> <i>Updated 03/09/2018</i>	No medical manjuana laws. No private-employer-related provisions. The Medical Cannabidiol Act allows a person to knowingly or intentionally possess or use cannabidiol for a debilitating medical condition. See Iowa Code §§ 124E.1 <i>et seq.</i> <i>Updated 03/09/2018</i>	No medical manjuana laws. No private-employer-related provisions. The Medical Cannabidiol Act allows a person to knowingly or intentionally possess or use cannabidiol for a debilitating medical condition. See Iowa Code §§ 124E.1 <i>et seq.</i> <i>Updated 03/09/2018</i>	No private-employer-related provisions. The Medical Cannabidiol Act allows a person to knowingly or intentionally possess or use cannabidiol for a debilitating medical condition. See Iowa Code §§ 124E.1 <i>et seq.</i> <i>Updated 03/09/2018</i>



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Kansas	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.
Kentucky	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.
	Under the Clara Madeline Gilliam Act, an amended controlled substances statute specifies that the definition of "marijuana" does not include: Cannabidiol, when transferred, dispensed, or administered per written orders of a physician practicing at a hospital or associated clinic affiliated with a Kentucky public university having a college or school of medicine. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 218A.010.		Under the Clara Madeline Gilliam Act, an amended controlled substances statute specifies that the definition of "marijuana" does not include: Cannabidiol, when transferred, dispensed, or administered per written orders of a physician practicing at a hospital or associated clinic affiliated with a Kentucky public university having a college or school of medicine. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 218A.010.	Under the Clara Madeline Gilliam Act, an amended controlled substances statute specifies that the definition of "marijuana" does not include: Cannabidiol, when transferred, dispensed, or administered per written orders of a physician practicing at a hospital or associated clinic affiliated with a Kentucky public university having a college or school of medicine. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 218A.010. Updated 04/14/2014
Louisiana	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.
	State law allows a licensed physical to prescribe marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols (or a derivative of THC) – unless in a form that is raw, crude, or can be inhaled – to patients clinically diagnosed as suffering from glaucoma, symptons resulting from the administration of chemotherapy cancer treatment, and spastic	State law allows a licensed physical to prescribe marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols (or a derivative of THC) – unless in a form that is raw, crude, or can be inhaled – to patients clinically diagnosed as suffering from glaucoma, symptons resulting from the administration of chemotherapy cancer treatment, and spastic	State law allows a licensed physical to prescribe marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols (or a derivative of THC) – unless in a form that is raw, crude, or can be inhaled – to patients clinically diagnosed as suffering from glaucoma, symptons resulting from the administration of chemotherapy cancer treatment, and spastic	State law allows a licensed physical to prescribe marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols (or a derivative of THC) – unless in a form that is raw, crude, or can be inhaled – to patients clinically diagnosed as suffering from glaucoma, symptons resulting from the administration of chemotherapy cancer treatment, and spastic



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	quadriplegia. See La. Rev. Stat	quadriplegia. See La. Rev. Stat	quadriplegia. <i>See</i> La. Rev. Stat	quadriplegia. See La. Rev. Stat
	Ann. § 40:1046.	Ann. § 40:1046	Ann. § 40:1046	Ann. § 40:1046
	Updated 07/02/2015	Updated 07/02/2015	Updated 07/02/2015	Updated 07/02/2015
Maine	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana
	An employer cannot refuse to	An employer can discipline	An employer is not required	A person 21 years of age or
	employ or otherwise penalize a	employees who are under the	to permit or accommodate the	older can consume marijuana
	person 21 years of age or older	influence of marijuana in the	use, consumption, possession,	or marijuana concentrate only if
	solely for consuming marijuana	workplace. Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 7, §	trade, display, transportation,	that person is on private property
	outside the employer's property.	2454 (Effective February 1, 2018).	sale or growing of cannabis in the	not generally accessible to the
	Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 7, § 2454	Medical Merilyana	workplace.	public and is explicitly permitted to
	(Effective February 1, 2018).	Medical Marijuana	An employer can enset and enforce	consume marijuana or marijuana
	Medical Marijuana	No relevant provisions located.	An employer can enact and enforce workplace policies restricting	concentrate by the property's
		Updated 03/16/2017	marijuana use by employees or	owner.
	Unless failing to do so would put		discipline employees who are under	The prohibitions and limitations
	the employer in violation of federal		the influence of marijuana in the	on smoking tobacco products in
	law or cause it to lose a federal		workplace.	specific areas apply to smoking
	contract or funding, an employer			marijuana (and consuming
	cannot penalize a person solely for		Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 7, § 2454	marijuana concentrate). The law
	that person's status as a qualifying		(Effective February 1, 2018).	does not shield a person from
	patient or a primary caregiver.		Medical Marijuana	federal prosecution.
	Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 22, § 2423-		-	
	E; 10-144-122 Me. Code R. § 2.3.		An employer does not have to	A person cannot operate a
	See also Savage v. Maine Pretrial		accommodate the ingestion of	vehicle on a public way and
	<i>Services, Inc.</i> , 58 A.3d 1138 (Me.		marijuana in any workplace.	consume marijuana or marijuana
	2013) (Alleged termination of		An employer does not have to	concentrate; also applied to
	employee who applied for a license		accommodate any employee	passengers in the vehicle.
	to operate a medical marijuana		working while under the influence of	
	dispensary not a violation of section		marijuana. Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit.	





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				costs associated with the medical use of marijuana.
				Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 22, § 2426; 10-144-122 Me. Code R. §§ 2.12.1, 2.12.4, 2.13.1. <i>Updated 03/16/</i> 2017
Maryland	Medical marijuana laws do not contain provisions directly or indirectly related to employment. See Md. Code Ann., Health–Gen. §§ 13-3301 – 13-3311.	Medical marijuana laws do not contain provisions directly or indirectly related to employment. See Md. Code Ann., Health–Gen. §§ 13-3301 – 13-3311.	Medical marijuana laws do not contain provisions directly or indirectly related to employment. See Md. Code Ann., Health–Gen. §§ 13-3301 – 13-3311.	Medical marijuana laws do not contain provisions directly or indirectly related to employment. See Md. Code Ann., Health–Gen. §§ 13-3301 – 13-3311.
Massachusetts	-	2	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana
	Marijuana No relevant provisions located. However, in <i>Barbuto v. Advantage</i> <i>Sales &amp; Marketing</i> , 2017 Mass. LEXIS 504 (July 17, 2017), the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts held that a qualifying patient fired for testing positive for marijuana due to lawful medical marijuana use may have a civil remedy against an employer for handicap discrimination under state anti-discrimination laws, though no private right of action	Marijuana No relevant provisions located. <i>But</i> see Discrimination column. <i>Updated 07/17/2017</i>	An employer is not required to permit or accommodate conduct otherwise allowed by the law in the workplace. An employer can enact and enforce workplace policies restricting marijuana consumption by employees. Massachusetts Question 4, § 2 <b>Medical Marijuana</b> An employer is not required to accommodate any on-site medical use of marijuana in any	<ul> <li>The law does not:</li> <li>Amend existing penalties for operating, navigating or being in actual physical control of any motor vehicle, train, aircraft, motorboat or other motorized form of transport or machinery while impaired by marijuana or a marijuana product; includes consuming marijuana while doing same.</li> <li>Prevent a person from prohibiting or otherwise regulating the consumption, display, production,</li> </ul>



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	under the medical marijuana law exists. Under state anti-discrimination laws, a qualified handicapped employee has a right to not be fired because of the handicap, which includes the right to require an employer to make a reasonable accommodation for the handicap to		place of employment. 105 Mass. Code Regs. 725.650. <i>But see</i> Discrimination column. <i>Updated 07/17/2017</i>	<ul> <li>processing, manufacture         or sale of marijuana and         marijuana accessories on or         in property the person owns,         occupies or manages.</li> <li>Amend existing penalties         for conduct involving the         performance of any task while         impaired by marijuana that</li> </ul>
	enable an employee to perform the job's essential functions. "Where, in the opinion of the employee's physician, medical marijuana is the most effective medication for the employee's debilitating medical condition, and where any alternative medication whose use would be permitted by the			<ul> <li>would constitute negligence or professional malpractice and does not prevent the imposition of any civil, criminal or other penalty for such conduct.</li> <li>Affect the medical marijuana law.</li> <li>*Additionally, criminal punishments</li> </ul>
	employer's drug policy would be less effective, an exception to an employer's drug policy to permit its use is a facially reasonable accommodation." An employer must prove that lawful medical			for having an open container of marijuana in a vehicle's passenger area (i.e., excluding trunk, locked glove compartment, area behind last upright seat for vehicles withou a trunk).
	marijuana use "is not a reasonable accommodation because it would impose an undue hardship on the [employer's] business," <i>e.g.</i> , continued use would impair work performance or "pose an 'unacceptably significant' safety 14th, 2018 2:03:15 PM			Note: The law generally permits recreational marijuana for individuals 21 years of age or older



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	risk to the public, the employee, or her fellow employees," or "would violate an employer's contractual or statutory obligation, and thereby jeopardize its ability to perform its business." <i>Updated 07/17/2017</i>			<ul> <li>Massachusetts Question 4, §§ 2, *13.</li> <li>Medical Marijuana</li> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not: <ul> <li>Allow operation of a motor vehicle, boat, or aircraft while under the influence of marijuana.</li> <li>Require the violation of federal law.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A health insurance provider is not required to reimburse a person for expenses of the medical use of marijuana.</li> <li>105 Mass. Code Regs. 725.650.</li> <li>Updated 01/03/2017</li> </ul>
Michigan	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located. Note: A federal appellate court, examining Michigan's medical marijuana law, upheld a lower court's decision that the law did not protect employees from disciplinary action due to their medical marijuana use, so the employee could be fired for failing a drug test in violation of the his employer's	An employer does not have to accommodate the ingestion of marijuana in any workplace. An employer does not have to accommodate an employee working while under the influence of marijuana. Mich. Comp. Laws § 333.26427; <i>Casias v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.</i> , 695 F.3d 428, 437 (6th Cir. 2012)	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Undertaking any task under the influence of marijuana, when doing so would constitute negligence or professional malpractice;</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of any motor vehicle,</li> </ul>



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		drug testing policy. <i>Casias v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.</i> , 695 F.3d 428, 437 (6th Cir. 2012). However, in three consolidated opinions, a state appellate court held that employees who were fired for failing to pass a drug test were entitled to unemployment benefits. The court concluded that, although testing positive for marijuana ordinarily disqualified a claimant from benefits, because there was no evidence to suggest that the positive drug tests were caused by anything other than claimants' use of medical marijuana in accordance with the terms of the MMMA, the denial of the benefits constituted an improper penalty for the medical use of marijuana under the MMMA. Moreover, it held that to the extent another law would penalize an individual for using medical marijuana in accordance with the MMMA, that law is preempted by the MMMA. Accordingly, because the MMMA preempts the unemployment law, the claimants were entitled to benefits. <i>Braska v. Challenge Manufacturing Company</i>		aircraft, or motorboat while under the influence of marijuana A commercial or non-profit health insurer is not required to reimburse a person for costs associated with the medical use of marijuana. Mich. Comp. Laws § 333.26427.



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Minnesota	Unless failing to do so would violate federal law or regulations or cause an employer to lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations, an employer cannot discriminate against a person in hiring, termination, or any term or condition of employment, or otherwise penalize a person, if discrimination is based upon either: • The person's status as a patient enrolled in a state registry program; or • A patient's positive drug test for cannabis components or metabolites, unless s/he used, possessed, or was impaired by medical cannabis	<ul> <li>/ Kemp v. Hayes Green Beach Memorial Hospital / Kudzia v. Avasi Services, Inc., 307 Mich. App. 340 (2014).</li> <li>Updated 11/03/2014</li> <li>An employee who is required to undergo employer drug testing under the state workplace testing law (Minn. Stat. § 181.953) may present verification of enrollment in the patient registry as part of his or her explanation of a positive drug test.</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 152.32. See also Discrimination column.</li> <li>Updated 05/29/2014</li> </ul>	No applicable provisions located. See Minn. Stat. §§ 152.22 et seq. Updated 05/29/2014	<ul> <li>The marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Undertaking any task while under the influence of medical marijuana that would constitute negligence or professional malpractice;</li> <li>Vaporizing medical cannabis in a place of employment;</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or physically controlling a motor vehicle, etc., or working on transportation of property, equipment, or facilities while under the influence of medica cannabis.</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 152.23.</li> <li>Updated 05/29/2014</li> </ul>
	on the employer's premises during hours of employment. Minn. Stat. § 152.32.			

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Mississippi	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.
	Note: Under Harper Grace's Law, which expired July 1, 2017, an individual was permitted to use medical CBD ( <i>i.e.</i> , cannabidiol)	Note: Under Harper Grace's Law, which expired July 1, 2017, an individual was permitted to use medical CBD ( <i>i.e.</i> , cannabidiol)	Note: Under Harper Grace's Law, which expired July 1, 2017, an individual was permitted to use medical CBD ( <i>i.e.</i> , cannabidiol)	Note: Under Harper Grace's Law, which expired July 1, 2017, an individual was permitted to use medical CBD ( <i>i.e.</i> , cannabidiol)
	oil if various requirements were satisfied. Miss. Code Ann. § 41-29-136. <i>Updated 07/03/2017</i>	oil if various requirements were satisfied. Miss. Code Ann. § 41-29-136. <i>Updated 07/03/2017</i>	oil if various requirements were satisfied. Miss. Code Ann. § 41-29-136. <i>Updated 07/03/2017</i>	oil if various requirements were satisfied. Miss. Code Ann. § 41-29-136. <i>Updated 07/03/2017</i>
Missouri	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.
	composed of no more than .3% THC and at least 5% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive	State law permits individuals with intractable epilepsy to be prescribed, use, and possess "hemp extract," i.e., cannabis plant extract, or mixture or preparation containing cannabis plant material, composed of no more than .3% THC and at least 5% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive substance. <i>See</i> Mo. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 192.945, 195.207, 261.265. <i>Updated 04/15/2015</i>	State law permits individuals with intractable epilepsy to be prescribed, use, and possess "hemp extract," i.e., cannabis plant extract, or mixture or preparation containing cannabis plant material, composed of no more than .3% THC and at least 5% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive substance. See Mo. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 192.945, 195.207, 261.265. Updated 04/15/2015	State law permits individuals with intractable epilepsy to be prescribed, use, and possess "hemp extract," i.e., cannabis plant extract, or mixture or preparation containing cannabis plant material, composed of no more than .3% THC and at least 5% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive substance. See Mo. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 192.945, 195.207, 261.265. Updated 04/15/2015



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Montana	The medical marijuana laws do not permit a cause of action against an employer for discrimination or wrongful discharge. Mont. Code Ann. § 50-46-320.	No relevant provisions located.	An employer is not required to accommodate the use of marijuana by a registered cardholder. An employer can include in a contract a provision prohibiting the use of marijuana for a debilitating medical condition. Mont. Code Ann. § 50-46-320; <i>Johnson v. Columbia Falls</i> <i>Aluminum Co., LLC</i> , 2009 MT 108N (Mar. 31, 2009) (Unpublished) (Employer's failure to accommodate use of medical marijuana did not violate the Montana Human Rights Act or federal ADA).	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, aircraft, or motorboat while under the influence of marijuana;</li> <li>Use of marijuana by a registered cardholder in plain view of or in a place open to the general public, or where exposure to marijuana smoke significantly affects children's health, safety, or welfare.</li> <li>A group benefit plan and/or insurer is not required to reimburse a person for costs associated with the use of marijuana by a registered cardholder.</li> <li>Mont. Code Ann. § 50-46-320. See also, e.g., Mont. Admin.</li> <li>R. 24.29.1526 (Workers' compensation; medical marijuana is a medical service which is not payable)</li> </ul>
Nebraska	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.



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			Restrictions	
Nevada	Medical / Recreational Marijuana	Medical / Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana	Recreational Marijuana
	No relevant provisions located. <i>Updated 01/03/2017</i>	No relevant provisions located. Updated 01/03/2017	An employer can maintain, enact, and enforce a workplace policy prohibiting or restricting actions or conduct otherwise permitted under the law. Nevada Question No. 2, § 4. <b>Medical Marijuana</b> An employer is not required to allow the medical use of marijuana in the workplace. An employer is not required to modify the job or working conditions of a person who engaged in the medical use of marijuana that are based on the reasonable business purposes of the employer. However, an employer must attempt to make reasonable accommodations for the medical needs of an employee who engaged in the medical use of marijuana if the employee holds a valid registry identification card, provided the reasonable accommodation would not:	<ul> <li>marijuana or while impaired</li> <li>by marijuana</li> <li>Undertaking any task under the influence of marijuana</li> </ul>



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			<ul> <li>Pose a threat of harm or danger to persons or property or impose an undue hardship on the employer; or</li> <li>Prohibit the employee from fulfilling any and all of his or her job responsibilities.</li> <li>Nev. Rev. Stat. § 453A.800.</li> <li>Updated 01/03/2017</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Note: The law generally permits recreational marijuana for individuals 21 years of age or older</li> <li>Nevada Question No. 2, §§ 4, 14 (criminal penalty for smoking or otherwise consuming marijuana in a moving vehicle).</li> <li>Medical Marijuana</li> <li>An individual with a registry card identification card cannot:</li> <li>Drive, operate, or be in actual physical control of a vehicle or vessel under power or sail while under the influence of marijuana;</li> <li>Possess marijuana or paraphernalia in any place open to the public or exposed to public view</li> <li>Nev. Rev. Stat. § 453A.300.</li> <li>An insurance, organization for managed care, or any other person or entity proving medical or health care coverage service is not required to pay for or reimburse a person for costs associated with the medical use of marijuana.</li> </ul>



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				Nev. Rev. Stat. § 453A.800. Updated 01/03/2017
New Hampshire	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located.	<ul> <li>An employer is not required to accommodate the therapeutic use of cannabis on the property or premises of any place of employment.</li> <li>An employer can discipline an employee for ingesting cannabis in the workplace or for working while under the influence of cannabis.</li> <li>An individual is subject to arrest if: <ul> <li>Under the influence of cannabis in his or her place of employment without the employer's written permission.</li> <li>Possessing cannabis in his or her place of her place of employment without the employer's written permission.</li> </ul> </li> <li>An individual or entity in lawful possession of property is not required to allow a guest, client, customer, or other visitor to use cannabis on or in that property.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit the following activities, if performed by an individual under the influence of cannabis:</li> <li>Operating a motor vehicle, commercial vehicle, boat, vessel, or any other vehicle propelled or drawn by power other than muscular power.</li> <li>Operating heavy machinery or handling a dangerous instrumentality.</li> <li>A health insurance provider, health care plan, or medical assistance program is not liable for a claim for reimbursement for the therapeutic use of cannabis.</li> <li>N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 126-X:3.</li> </ul>



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			<ul> <li>A qualifying patient can only use cannabis on privately-owned real property with the property owner's written permission.</li> <li>In the case of leased property, the tenant in possession's permission is required, but a tenant cannot allow a qualifying patient to smoke cannabis on rented property if smoking on the property violates the lease or the lessor's rental policies that apply to all tenants at the property.</li> <li>However, a tenant can permit a qualifying patient to use cannabis on leased property by ingestion or inhalation through vaporization even if smoking is prohibited by the lease or rental policies.</li> <li>N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 126-X:3.</li> </ul>	
New Jersey	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located.	An employer is not required to accommodate the medical use of marijuana in any workplace. N.J. Stat. Ann. § 24:6I-14.	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of any vehicle, aircraft, railroad train, stationary heavy equipment, or vessel</li> </ul>



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				<ul> <li>while under the influence of marijuana.</li> <li>Smoking marijuana in a private vehicle unless the vehicle is not in operation.</li> <li>N.J. Stat. Ann. § 24:6I-8.</li> <li>A private health insurer is not required to reimburse a person for costs associated with the medical use of marijuana.</li> <li>N.J. Stat. Ann. § 24:6I-14.</li> </ul>
New Mexico	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located.	<ul> <li>Generally, no relevant provisions.</li> <li>A qualified patient or primary caregiver participating in a medical use of cannabis program is not relieved of a criminal prosecution or a civil penalty for possessing or using cannabis in the patient or caregiver's workplace. N.M. Stat. Ann. § 26-2B-5.</li> <li>However, in <i>Garcia v. Tractor</i> <i>Supply Company</i>, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 3494 (D.N.M. Jan. 7, 2016), a federal court in New Mexico, ruling on a motion to dismiss, held: 1) "the [Compassionate Use Act] combined with the New</li> </ul>	An employer can be required to reimburse an injured worker for medical marijuana expenses under workers' compensation laws, and that reimbursement does not violate federal law. "[T]he legislative intent of the Compassionate Use Act [is] 'to allow the beneficial use of medical cannabis in a regulated system for alleviating symptoms caused by debilitating medical conditions and their medical treatments.' The Legislature has provided in the [Workers' Compensation] Act that a worker receive through an employer reasonable and

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			Restrictions	
			Mexico Human Rights Act does	necessary health care services,
			not provide a cause of action	which the regulations define to
			[because] medical marijuana is	include 'drugs, products or items
			not an accommodation that must	provided to a worker' in various
			be provided for by the employer;"	ways provided that they are
			and 2) "To affirmatively require	'reasonable and necessary for
			[an employer] to accommodate	the evaluation and treatment of
			[an employee's] illegal drug use	a worker.' When read together,
			would mandate [that employers]	we view the legislative intent
			permit the very conduct the	to be that a worker's treatment
			[federal Controlled Substances Act]	under a program authorized by
			proscribes."	the Compassionate Use Act
			Undeted 01/12/2016	that has been determined by a
			Updated 01/12/2016	[Workers' Compensation Judge]
				to be reasonable and necessary
				treatment is embraced within the
				[Workers' Compensation] Act."
				Vialpando v. Ben's Auto. Services,
				331 P.3d 975 (N.M. Ct. App.), cert.
				denied, 331 P.3d 924 (N.M. 2014).
				Later, the same court, in Maez v.
				Riley Indus., 347 P.3d 732 (N.M.
				Ct. App. 2015), reversed a workers'
				compensation judge's conclusion
				that medical marijuana was not
				reasonable and necessary medical
				care for the worker. In Lewis v.
				<i>Am. Gen. Media</i> , 355 P.3d 850
				(N.M. Ct. App. 2015), the court
				upheld a workers' compensation



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				judge's conclusion that medical marijuana was reasonable and necessary medical care for the worker, requiring the employer and its insurer to reimburse the worker for its costs.
New York	Being a certified patient qualifies as having a "disability" under state human rights and civil rights laws. N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 3369. <i>Updated 07/09/2014</i>	No applicable provisions. Updated 07/09/2014	<ul> <li>The medical marijuana law does not prohibit an employer from enforcing a policy prohibiting employees from performing employment duties while impaired by a controlled substance. Also, the law does not require a person or entity to do any act that would put it in violation of federal law or cause it to lose a federal contract or funding. N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 3369.</li> <li>However, being a certified patient qualifies as having a "disability" under state human rights and civil rights laws. N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 3369. Moreover, under state human rights law, it is an unlawful discriminatory practice for an employer to refuse to provide</li> </ul>	Possessing medical marijuana is unlawful if it is smoked, consumed, vaporized, or grown in a public place, regardless of the form or medical marijuana stated in a patient's certification.N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 3362. In no event can approved medical marihuana products be consumed through vaporization in any location in which smoking is prohibited under Public Health Law section 1399, including places of employment. Consumption of approved medical marihuana product is not permitted in any motor vehicle, either public or private, that is located upon public highways, private roads open to motor vehicle traffic, parking area



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			reasonable accommodations to the known disabilities of an applicant or employee in connection with a job or occupation sought or held. N.Y. Exec. Law § 296. <i>Updated 01/29/2016</i>	
North Carolina	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.	No private-employer-related provisions.

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North Dakota	The North Carolina Epilepsy Alternative Treatment Act permits patients suffering from intractable epilepsy to possess and use "hemp extract," <i>i.e.</i> , cannabis plant extract composed of less than .3% THC, at least 10% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive substance. <i>See</i> N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 90-94.1, 90-113.101 <i>et seq.</i> <i>Updated 07/09/2014</i> No relevant provisions located. <i>Updated 02/22/2017</i>	The North Carolina Epilepsy Alternative Treatment Act permits patients suffering from intractable epilepsy to possess and use "hemp extract," <i>i.e.</i> , cannabis plant extract composed of less than .3% THC, at least 10% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive substance. <i>See</i> N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 90-94.1, 90-113.101 <i>et seq.</i> <i>Updated 07/09/2014</i> No relevant provisions located. <i>Updated 02/22/2017</i>	The North Carolina Epilepsy Alternative Treatment Act permits patients suffering from intractable epilepsy to possess and use "hemp	<ul> <li>The North Carolina Epilepsy Alternative Treatment Act permits patients suffering from intractable epilepsy to possess and use "hemp extract," <i>i.e.</i>, cannabis plant extract composed of less than .3% THC, at least 10% cannabidiol, without any other psychoactive substance. <i>See</i> N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 90-94.1, 90-113.101 <i>et seq</i>. <i>Updated 07/09/2014</i></li> <li>The law does not authorize a person to engage in, and does not prevent the imposition of any civil liability or criminal liability or other penalties for, <i>e.g.</i>:</li> <li>Undertaking an activity under the influence of marijuana if doing so would constitute negligence or professional malpractice.</li> <li>Operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, aircraft, train, or motorboat, while under the influence of marijuana. However, a registered qualifying patient</li> </ul>



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			Restrictions	
				under the influence solely
				because of the presence of
				metabolites or components
				of marijuana that appear in
				insufficient concentration to
				cause impairment.
				N.D. Cent. Code § 19-24.1-33(1),
				(5).
				North Dakota Workforce Safety and
				Insurance may not pay:
				• for medical marijuana;
				wage loss benefits if wage
				loss is related to medical
				marijuana use or presence.
				N.D. Cent. Code §§ 65-05-07(8),
				65-05-08(12).
				Updated 09/29/2017
Ohio	Note: While the law's effective	Note: While the law's effective	Note: While the law's effective	Note: While the law's effective
	date is September 6, 2016, it	date is September 6, 2016, it	date is September 6, 2016, it	date is September 6, 2016, it
	could take up to 2 years for	could take up to 2 years for	could take up to 2 years for	could take up to 2 years for
	the Medical Marijuana Control	the Medical Marijuana Control	the Medical Marijuana Control	the Medical Marijuana Control
	Program to be established.	Program to be established.	Program to be established.	Program to be established.
	Employers can refuse to hire,	Employers <b>can</b> establish and	Employers are <b>not</b> required	Federal Law: The medical
	discharge, discipline, or otherwise	enforce a drug testing policy,	to permit or accommodate an	marijuana law does <b>not</b> interfere
	take an adverse employment action	drug-free workplace policy, or	employee's use, possession, or	with any federal restrictions on
	against a person with respect to	zero-tolerance drug policy. The		employment, including U.S.
	hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or	law does <b>not</b> affect the workers'		Department of Transportation



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	privileges of employment because of that person's use, possession, or distribution of medical marijuana. Moreover, an aggrieved individual <b>cannot</b> file a lawsuit against an employer for doing so. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.28. <i>Updated 06/13/2016</i>	compensation administrator's authority to grant rebates or discounts on premium rates to employers that participate in a drug-free workplace program established per state rules. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.28. For workers' compensation drug testing requirements and procedures, <i>see, e.g.</i> , Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4123.54. The law does <b>not</b> require a public place to accommodate a registered patient's use of medical marijuana, but the law does not prohibit a public place from doing so. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.26. <i>Updated 06/13/2016</i>		<ul> <li>regulations (Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended). Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.28.</li> <li>Unemployment: A person who is discharged because of medical marijuana use is considered discharged for just cause if use violates an employer's drug-free workplace policy, zero-tolerance policy, or other formal program or policy regulating medical marijuana use. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.28.</li> <li>Workers' Compensation: An employee or dependent is not entitled to receive workers' compensation benefits if the employee's injury or occupational disease is caused by the employee being intoxicated or under the influence of marijuana if being intoxicated or under the influence was the proximate cause of the injury. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4123.54.</li> <li>Prohibitions <ul> <li>Smoking or combustion of medical marijuana is</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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				<ul> <li>prohibited. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.05.</li> <li>Registered patients cannot operate a vehicle, streetcar, trackless trolley, watercraft, or aircraft while under the influence of medical marijuana. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3796.22.</li> <li>Updated 06/13/2016</li> </ul>
Oklahoma	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.
Oregon	No relevant provisions.	No relevant provisions.	Medical Marijuana An employer is not required to accommodate the medical use of marijuana in the workplace. Or. Rev. Stat. § 475.340; <i>Emerald</i> <i>Steel Fabricators, Inc. v. Bureau of</i> <i>Labor &amp; Indus.</i> , 230 P.3d 518 (Or. 2010) (Under Oregon employment discrimination laws, employer not required to accommodate employee's use of medical marijuana because use prohibited under federal law).	Medical MarijuanaThe medical marijuana laws do not permit driving under the influence of marijuana. Or. Rev. Stat. § 475.316.A private health insurer is not required to reimburse a person for costs associated with the medical use of marijuana. Or. Rev. Stat. § 475.340.Recreational Marijuana Use of marijuana while driving is prohibited and classified as a Class B traffic violation. (To be codified)Updated 07/01/2015



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Pennsylvania	Employers cannot discharge, threaten, refuse to hire, or otherwise discriminate or retaliate against an employee regarding his or her compensation, terms, conditions, location, or privileges solely on the basis of the employee's status as a certified medical marijuana user. 35 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 10231.2103. <i>Updated 05/03/2016</i>	No relevant provisions located. <i>But</i> see Miscellaneous column. <i>Updated 05/03/2016</i>	Employers are not required to accommodate medical marijuana use on their property or places of employment. 35 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 10231.2103. <i>Updated 05/04/2016</i>	<ul> <li>A qualifying medical marijuana patient cannot:</li> <li>Operate or be in physical control of the following while under the influence with a blood content of more than 10 nanograms of active tetrahydrocannabis per milliliter of bloom in serum: <ol> <li>chemicals requiring a permit from the federal or state government or agency thereof; 2) high-voltage electricity or any other public utility.</li> <li>While under the influence of medical marijuana, perform any employment duties at heights or in confined spaces, including but not limited to mining.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Employers can prohibit patients from performing, while under the influence of medical marijuana: <ol> <li>Any task the employer deems life threatening to either the employee or co-employees.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>



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				Any duty that could result in a public health or safety risk.
				These prohibitions do not constitute an adverse employment decision even if it causes the employee financial harm.
				35 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 10231.510.
				The law does not permit a person to engage in, nor does it prevent imposition of any civil, criminal, or other penalty for undertaking, any task under the influence of medical marijuana when doing so would constitute negligence, professional malpractice, or professional misconduct. 35 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 10231.1309.
				An insurer or health plan is not required to provide coverage for medical marijuana. 35 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 10231.2102.
				The law does not limit an employer's ability to discipline an employee for being under the influence of medical marijuana in the workplace or for working while under the influence when the employee's conduct falls below the



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				standard of care normally accepted for that position. The law does not require an employer to commit any act that would put it or any person acting or its behalf in violation of federal law. 35 Pa. Stat. Ann. § 10231.2103. <i>Updated 05/03/2016</i>
Rhode Island	An employer cannot refuse to employ or otherwise penalize a person solely for his or her status as a cardholder. R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.6-4. A state superior court held an employer violated the medical marijuana law when it denied employment to an applicant because she informed the employer she would not pass the mandatory pre-hire drug test due to medical marijuana use. Also, concerning the Rhode Island Civil Rights Act (RICRA), it held "[an applicant's] status as a medical marijuana cardholder signaled [she was disabled] – she could not have obtained such a card	<i>v. Darlington Fabrics Corp.</i> , 2017 R.I. Super. LEXIS 88 (R.I. Super. Ct. May 23, 2017). <i>Updated 06/06/2017</i>	An employer is not required to accommodate the medical use of marijuana in the workplace. R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.6-7; 14-000-035 R.I. Code R. § 8. A state superior court judge held that "changing the unwritten practice [under a drug screening policy] not to automatically disqualify a cardholder who tests positive for marijuana would be deemed a reasonable accommodation" under the Rhode Island Civil Rights Act. <i>Callaghan</i> <i>v. Darlington Fabrics Corp.</i> , 2017 R.I. Super. LEXIS 88 (R.I. Super. Ct. May 23, 2017). <i>Updated 06/06/2017</i>	<ul> <li>Prohibited Acts: The medical marijuana laws do not permit:</li> <li>Undertaking any task under the influence of marijuana when doing so would constitute negligence or professional malpractice</li> <li>A state superior court judge held that "[i]f an employee came to work under the influence, and unable to perform his or her duties in a competent manner, the employer would thus not have to tolerate such behavior." <i>Callaghan v. Darlington Fabrics Corp.</i>, 2017 R.I. Super.</li> </ul>



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			Restrictions	
	without a debilitating medical			LEXIS 88 (R.I. Super.
	condition that would cause her to			Ct. May 23, 2017).
	be disabled It is irrelevant that			Smoking marijuana whara
	[an employer] did not know her			Smoking marijuana where     exposure to marijuana
	precise disability." For purposes of			significantly, adversely affect
	the RICRA, it is irrelevant whether a			children's health, safety, or
	medical marijuana user's drug use			welfare
	is considered illegal under federal			<ul> <li>Operating, navigating, or</li> </ul>
	law.			being in actual physical
	The court also held the federal			control of a motor vehicle,
	Controlled Substances Act did			aircraft, or motorboat while
	not preempt the state medical			under the influence of
	marijuana law or the RICRA			marijuana
	with respect to employment			Note: Registered
	discrimination.			qualifying patient is
				not considered under
	Callaghan v. Darlington Fabrics			the influence solely
	Corp., 2017 R.I. Super. LEXIS 88			for having marijuana
	(R.I. Super. Ct. May 23, 2017).			metabolites in his or he
	Updated 08/18/2017			system
				Marijuana Costs: A private health
				insurer is not required to reimburs
				a person for costs associated with
				the medical use of marijuana.
				R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.6-7;
				14-000-035 R.I. Code R. § 8.
				Private Right of Action: A state
				superior court held the medical



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				marijuana law provides an implied
				private right of action. Callaghan v.
				Darlington Fabrics Corp., 2017 R.I.
				Super. LEXIS 88 (R.I. Super. Ct.
				May 23, 2017).
				Updated 06/06/2017
South Carolina	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related
	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.
	Under Julian's Law, cannabidiol	Under Julian's Law, cannabidiol	Under Julian's Law, cannabidiol	Under Julian's Law, cannabidiol
	use or possession is permitted	use or possession is permitted	use or possession is permitted	use or possession is permitted
	for individuals diagnosed with	for individuals diagnosed with	for individuals diagnosed with	for individuals diagnosed with
	Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome, Dravet	Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome, Dravet	Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome, Dravet	Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome, Dravet
	Syndrome, or any other severe	Syndrome, or any other severe	Syndrome, or any other severe	Syndrome, or any other severe
	form of epilepsy not adequately	form of epilepsy not adequately	form of epilepsy not adequately	form of epilepsy not adequately
	treated by traditional medical	treated by traditional medical	treated by traditional medical	treated by traditional medical
	therapies. See S.C. Code Ann. §§	therapies. See S.C. Code Ann. §§	therapies. See S.C. Code Ann. §§	therapies. See S.C. Code Ann. §§
	44-53-110, 44-53-1810 et seq.	44-53-110, 44-53-1810 et seq.	44-53-110, 44-53-1810 et seq.	44-53-110, 44-53-1810 <i>et seq</i> .
	Updated 04/15/2015	Updated 04/15/2015	Updated 04/15/2015	Updated 04/15/2015
South Dakota	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.
Tennessee	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related
	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.
	An exception to the definition of	An exception to the definition of	An exception to the definition of	An exception to the definition of
	"marijuana" includes cannabis oil	"marijuana" includes cannabis oil	"marijuana" includes cannabis oil	"marijuana" includes cannabis oil
	containing cannabidiol with less	containing cannabidiol with less	containing cannabidiol with less	containing cannabidiol with less
	than .9% of tetrahydrocannabinol	than .9% of tetrahydrocannabinol	than .9% of tetrahydrocannabinol	than .9% of tetrahydrocannabinol
	(THC). Tenn. Code Ann. §	(THC). Tenn. Code Ann. §	(THC). Tenn. Code Ann. §	(THC). Tenn. Code Ann. §
	39-17-402. A Class C misdemeanor	39-17-402. A Class C misdemeanor	39-17-402. A Class C misdemeanor	39-17-402. A Class C misdemeanor

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	is committed if a person knowingly			
	possesses cannabis oil containing			
	cannabidiol that has less than			
	0.9% of THC unless: 1) The bottle			
	containing the oil is labeled by			
	the manufacturer as containing			
	cannabidiol with less than 0.9% of			
	THC; and 2) The oil was obtained			
	legally in the United States and			
	outside Tennessee and the person			
	retains proof of the legal order or			
	recommendation from the issuing			
	state. To be codified (SB 280).			
	Updated 05/05/2015	Updated 05/05/2015	Updated 05/05/2015	Updated 05/05/2015
Texas	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related
	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.
	Under the Texas Compassionate-			
	Use Act, to treat intractable			
	epilepsy, permanent Texas	epilepsy, permanent Texas	epilepsy, permanent Texas	epilepsy, permanent Texas
	residents may be prescribed, use,			
	and possess "Low-THC cannabis,"			
	<i>i.e.</i> , the plant Cannabis sativa L.,			
	and any part of that plant or any	and any part of that plant or any	and any part of that plant or any	and any part of that plant or any
	compound, manufacture, salt,	compound, manufacture, salt,	compound, manufacture, salt,	compound, manufacture, salt,
	derivative, mixture, preparation,	derivative, mixture, preparation,	derivative, mixture, preparation,	derivative, mixture, preparation,
	resin, or oil of that plant that			
	contains not more than 0.5 percent			
	by weight of tetrahydrocannabinols,			
	and not less than 10 percent by			

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	weight of cannabidiol. See, e.g.,			
	Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 169.002.			
	Moreover, marijuana-related	Moreover, marijuana-related	Moreover, marijuana-related	Moreover, marijuana-related
	controlled substances law do not			
	apply to, among other actions,			
	possession of a raw material used			
	in or by-product created by the			
	production or cultivation of "low-			
	THC cannabis" if the person, for an			
	offense involving possession only			
	of marijuana or drug paraphernalia,			
	is a patient for whom low-THC			
	cannabis is prescribed and the			
	person possesses low-THC	person possesses low-THC	person possesses low-THC	person possesses low-THC
	cannabis obtained under a valid			
	prescription from a dispensing			
	organization. Tex. Health & Safety			
	Code Ann. § 481.111.			
	Updated 06/02/2015	Updated 06/02/2015	Updated 06/02/2015	Updated 06/02/2015
Utah	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related	No private-employer-related
	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.	provisions.
	Under the Hemp Extract			
	Registration Act, individuals	Registration Act, individuals	Registration Act, individuals	Registration Act, individuals
	with intractable epilepsy may			
	use certain hemp extract, <i>i.e.</i> ,			
	cannabis plant extract, or mixture			
	or preparation containing cannabis			
	plant, composed of less than .3%			
	THC, at least 5% cannabidiol,			

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	without any other psychoactive	without any other psychoactive	without any other psychoactive	without any other psychoactive
	substance. See Utah Code Ann. §§	substance. See Utah Code Ann. §§	substance. See Utah Code Ann. §§	substance. See Utah Code Ann. §§
	58-37-4.3, 26-56-101 et seq.	58-37-4.3, 26-56-101 et seq.	58-37-4.3, 26-56-101 <i>et seq</i> .	58-37-4.3, 26-56-101 <i>et seq</i> .
	Note: The Act expires July 1, 2021.	Note: The Act expires July 1, 2021.	Note: The Act expires July 1, 2021.	Note: The Act expires July 1, 2021.
	Updated 07/01/2016	Updated 07/01/2016	Updated 07/01/2016	Updated 07/01/2016
Vermont	Recreational Marijuana /	Recreational Marijuana /	Recreational Marijuana /	Recreational Marijuana /
	Decriminalization (See note in	Decriminalization (See note in	Decriminalization (See note in	Decriminalization (See note in
	introduction's chart) (July 1,	introduction's chart) (July 1,	introduction's chart) (July 1,	introduction's chart) (July 1,
	2018)	2018)	2018)	2018)
	The law does not create a cause	The law does not create a cause	Accommodation: The law does	A person cannot consume
	of action against an employer	of action against an employer	not require an employer to	marijuana in a public place, which
	that discharges an employee for	that discharges an employee for	permit or accommodate the use,	includes, e.g., any place where
	violating a policy that restricts	violating a policy that restricts	consumption, possession, transfer,	the use or possession of a lighted
	or prohibits marijuana use by	or prohibits marijuana use by	display, transportation, sale,	tobacco product, tobacco product,
	employees. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 18, §	employees. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 18, §	or growing of marijuana in the	or tobacco substitute is prohibited.
	4230a(e).	4230a(e).	workplace.	Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 18, § 4230a(a)(2)
	Medical Marijuana	Medical Marijuana	Restriction: The law does not	(A).
	No relevant provisions located.	No relevant provisions located.	prevent an employer from: 1) adopting a policy that prohibits	The law does not, <i>e.g.</i> , repeal or modify existing laws or policies
	Updated 01/24/2018	Updated 01/24/2018	marijuana use in the workplace; 2)	concerning the operation of
			prohibiting or otherwise regulating	vehicles of any kind while under
			the use, consumption, possession,	the influence of marijuana or
			transfer, display, transportation,	for consuming marijuana while
			sale, or growing of marijuana on the	<i>• •</i>
			employer's premises.	Ann. tit. 18, § 4230a(b)(2).
			Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 18, § 4230a(e).	Neither a person operating, nor a passenger in, a motor

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			Medical Marijuana         Accommodation: An employer         is not required to accommodate:         1) the ingestion of marijuana in         any workplace; 2) an employee         working while under the influence of         marijuana. 28-000-003 Vt. Code R.         § 2.         Restriction: The medical marijuana         laws do not permit: 1) being         under the influence of marijuana         while in, or smoking marijuana         at, a workplace or place of         employment; 2) smoking marijuana         at a workplace or place of         employment. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 18, §         4474c; 28-000-003 Vt. Code R. § 2         Updated 01/24/2018	contains marijuana in the vehicle's passenger area. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 23, §§ 1134(a)-(c), 1134a(a)-(c). An employer who is injured in person, property, or means of support by a person under 21 years of age who is impaired by marijuana, or as a consequence thereof has a right of action against any person(s) who wholly or partly caused such impairment by



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				<ul> <li>power other than muscular power;</li> <li>Operating heavy machinery or handling a dangerous instrumentality</li> <li>Using or possessing marijuana or marijuana- infused products by a registered patient (possessing by a registered caregiver) in a manner that endangers another person's health or well being</li> <li>Coverage or reimbursement for the use of medical marijuana is not required by:</li> <li>A health insurer or insurance company;</li> <li>An employer (generally, and for workers' compensation purposes).</li> <li>Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 18, § 4474c; 28-000-003 Vt. Code R. § 2.</li> <li>Records maintained by the Department of all persons registered are confidential, but can be disclosed with the patient's</li> </ul>



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				28-000-003 Vt. Code R. § 9. Updated 01/24/2018
Virginia	No private-employer-related provisions. Under state law, individuals prescribed cannabidiol or THC- A oil to treat or alleviate epilepsy symptoms have a defense against criminal charges of unlawful marijuana possession. <i>See</i> Va. Code Ann. §§ 18.2-250.1, 54.1-3408.3. <i>Updated 02/27/2015</i>	No private-employer-related provisions. Under state law, individuals prescribed cannabidiol or THC- A oil to treat or alleviate epilepsy symptoms have a defense against criminal charges of unlawful marijuana possession. <i>See</i> Va. Code Ann. §§ 18.2-250.1, 54.1-3408.3. <i>Updated 02/27/2015</i>	No private-employer-related provisions. Under state law, individuals prescribed cannabidiol or THC- A oil to treat or alleviate epilepsy symptoms have a defense against criminal charges of unlawful marijuana possession. <i>See</i> Va. Code Ann. §§ 18.2-250.1, 54.1-3408.3. <i>Updated 02/27/2015</i>	No private-employer-related provisions. Under state law, individuals prescribed cannabidiol or THC- A oil to treat or alleviate epilepsy symptoms have a defense against criminal charges of unlawful marijuana possession. <i>See</i> Va. Code Ann. §§ 18.2-250.1, 54.1-3408.3. <i>Updated 02/27/2015</i>
Washington	Medical Marijuana No relevant provisions located. Note: The Washington State Supreme Court has held that The Medical Use of Marijuana Act "does not prohibit an employer from discharging an employee for medical marijuana use, nor does it provide a civil remedy against the employer. MUMA also does not proclaim a sufficient public policy to give rise to a tort action for wrongful termination for authorized use of medical marijuana." <i>Roe v.</i>	Medical Marijuana Employers can establish drug- free work policies. Moreover, an accommodation is not required for the medical use of marijuana if an employer has a drug-free work place. Wash. Rev. Code § 69.51A.060. Recreational Marijuana No relevant provisions located. <i>Updated 04/15/2015</i>	Medical Marijuana The medical marijuana laws do not require accommodation of any on-site medical use of marijuana in any place of employment. Wash. Rev. Code § 69.51A.060; <i>Roe v. TeleTech Customer Care</i> <i>Mgmt. (Colo.) LLC</i> , 257 P.3d 586 (Wash. 2011) (State court decisions concerning Medical Use of Marijuana Act do not recognize a broad public policy that would impose an employer	Medical Marijuana The medical marijuana laws do not permit using medical marijuana in a way that endangers a person's health or well-being through using a motorized vehicle on a street, road, or highway. Wash. Rev. Code § 69.51A.060. Recreational Marijuana Driving while under the influence of marijuana is prohibited. See Wash. Rev. Code §§ 46.61.502, 46.61.503, 46.61.504.



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	TeleTech Customer Care Mgmt. (Colo.) LLC, 257 P.3d 586 (Wash. 2011). Recreational Marijuana No relevant provisions located. Updated 04/15/2015		accommodation obligation concerning medical marijuana). <b>Recreational Marijuana</b> No relevant provisions located. <i>Updated 04/15/2015</i>	Updated 04/15/2015
West Virginia	Employers cannot discharge, threaten, refuse to hire or otherwise discriminate or retaliate against an employee regarding an employee's compensation, terms, conditions, location or privileges solely on the basis of the employee's status as an individual who is certified to use medical cannabis. W. Va. Code § 16A-5-4 <i>Updated 04/25/2017</i>	No relevant provisions located. Updated 04/25/2017	Employers are not required to make any accommodation of the use of medical cannabis on the property or premises of any place of employment. Employers can discipline an employee for being under the influence of medical cannabis in the workplace or for working while under the influence of medical cannabis when the employee's conduct falls below the standard of care normally accepted for that position. W. Va. Code § 16A-5-4. <i>Updated 04/25/2017</i>	<ul> <li>Federal Law: The law does not require an employer to commit any act that would put it or any person acting on its behalf in violation of federal law. W. Va. Code § 16A-5-4.</li> <li>Actions Employers Can Take: Employers can prohibit employees from performing any task an employee deems life-threatening – to either the employee or the employer's employees of the employer – while under the influence of medical cannabis.</li> <li>Also, employers can prohibit emploit employees from performing any duty that could result in a public health or safety risk while under the influence of medical cannabis.</li> <li>The prohibitions are not deemed an adverse employment decision,</li> </ul>



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			Restrictions	
				even if they result in financial harm
				to the employee.
				W. Va. Code § 16A-5-10.
				Actions Employees Cannot
				Perform: A patient cannot operate
				or be in physical control of any
				of the following while under the
				influence with a blood content of
				more than 3 nanograms of active
				tetrahydrocannabis per milliliter of
				blood in serum:
				<ul> <li>Chemicals that require a permit issued by the federal or a state government or agency.</li> <li>High-voltage electricity or any other public utility.</li> <li>Vehicle, aircraft, train, boat or heavy machinery.</li> </ul>
				Also, a patient cannot perform any employment duties at heights or in confined spaces, including, but not limited to, mining while under the influence of medical cannabis.
				W. Va. Code § 16A-5-10.
				The law does not permit any person to engage in and does not prevent



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				the imposition of any civil, criminal or other penalty for undertaking any task under the influence of medical cannabis when doing so would constitute negligence, professional malpractice or professional misconduct. W. Va. Code § 16A-12-19.
				<b>Insurers &amp; Health Plans</b> : The law does not require an insurer or a health plan, whether paid for by state funds or private funds, to provide coverage for medical cannabis. W. Va. Code § 16A-15-3. <i>Updated 04/25/2017</i>
Wisconsin	No private-employer-related provisions. State law provides that an individual with a seizure disorder can be prescribed cannabidiol in a form without a psychoactive effect. See Wis. Stat. §§ 961.14, 961.34, 961.38. Updated 12/17/2014	No private-employer-related provisions. State law provides that an individual with a seizure disorder can be prescribed cannabidiol in a form without a psychoactive effect. <i>See</i> Wis. Stat. §§ 961.14, 961.34, 961.38. <i>Updated 12/17/2014</i>	No private-employer-related provisions. State law provides that an individual with a seizure disorder can be prescribed cannabidiol in a form without a psychoactive effect. See Wis. Stat. §§ 961.14, 961.34, 961.38. Updated 12/17/2014	No private-employer-related provisions. State law provides that an individual with a seizure disorder can be prescribed cannabidiol in a form without a psychoactive effect. <i>See</i> Wis. Stat. §§ 961.14, 961.34, 961.38. <i>Updated 12/17/2014</i>
Wyoming	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.	No medical marijuana laws.



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