

House File 105

The Medical Cannabidiol Act is a federal racketeering scheme. You should be ashamed of holding people with serious medical conditions hostage to organized crime. The Medical Cannabidiol Board has been telling you to get federal authority under [21 U.S.C. § 822\(d\)](#). Read the board's annual reports to the legislature.

1. [2020 Acts ch. 1116 § 31](#) (June 29, 2020) directed the department of health to make a request for a federal waiver for this state authorized federal racketeering scheme.
2. The initial version of the 2020 act, [House Study Bill 653](#), replaced the name "cannabidiol" with the name "cannabis" as recommended by the medical cannabidiol board. That moment of truth quickly evaporated.
3. In September 2020, the department informed the board that it would seek a federal exemption pursuant to [21 C.F.R. § 1307.03](#). [Medical Cannabidiol Program Update](#), September 4, 2020, Iowa Department of Public Health.
4. In April 2021, when no updates on the progress of the application for federal exemption had been provided to the board, the department reluctantly [requested](#) protection of federal funding threatened by the state federal racketeering scheme, after being sued by Mr. Olsen for dragging its feet. [Olsen v. Reynolds](#), Iowa District Court, Polk County, No. CVCV061635, May 3, 2021.
5. At the November 18, 2022, meeting of the Medical Cannabidiol Board, the following conversation took place on the [legislative proposal](#) from Mr. Olsen:

DR. ANDREA WEBER:

There is a question, I think it was Carl that brought it up, as far as having a committee of legal experts. A lot of this stuff predates my joining of the board, so I was just curious where people stood on that idea.

OWEN PARKER:

Yeah, I mean, again, we are ... Sorry, go ahead Dr. Shreck ...

DR. BOB SHRECK:

Andrea, thank you for bringing that up. Mr. Olsen is a believer in the law. He thinks we should all be honest. We should all obey laws as they are passed. And he points out that we are all a bunch of criminals because we are violating federal law. And he thinks that's unnecessary. He thinks there's a way to fix it. He thinks that the state can obtain an exemption from the restrictions on cannabis. And, as far as

I can tell from reading what he's done, and he's been very persistent about this, I think he's correct. This is the pathway to proceed to do this. And, it's been done half-heartedly by some parts of our government, ... at least it hasn't gone forward and been successful. It may have actually been misdirected at some point, if I recall. But I would wholeheartedly support Carl's recommendation. And I would propose that the board make that recommendation. I'm not sure how we would recruit a legal panel. I'm glad you brought that up because I did not mean to overlook that. I would propose, recommend, make a motion that we take Mr. Olsen's recommendation to heart and recommend that this board be created.

OWEN PARKER:

Yeah, I mean, I would be happy to, I think in terms for the purposes of this, you know, we can make another motion, formal motion, Captain McKelvey, to just request that the legislature adopt that request. You know, again, I think the minutia and how that will go down is still going to be up to the legislature and the administration. But there's nothing that precludes the board from including that in this annual report. Captain McKelvey, do you want to do a roll call vote on just the inclusion of Carl's request?

CPT. MIKE MCKELVEY:

Is it fair to say Dr. Weber was the motion and Dr. Shreck was the second?

OWEN PARKER:

That works.

CPT. MIKE MCKELVEY:

Is there any further discussion before we take a roll call vote?

DR. STEVEN RICHARDS:

Yeah, this is Steve Richards. My discussion is maybe Carl should be on that panel. I've been quite impressed by his unusual expertise on the law. He talks about subjects that are over my head.

DR. BOB SHRECK:

I agree.

OWEN PARKER:

Carl knows his stuff, for sure.

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6. The Medical Cannabidiol Board [Meeting Minutes](#) from 2022 November 18 state: "Additionally, a motion was made to assemble a legal task force to assist the Department in requesting an exemption for IA's program from necessary Federal agencies, which was approved unanimously."
7. In December 2022, the board included Mr. Olsen's proposal in its [Annual Report](#) to the legislature for the 2023 session.
8. In December 2023, the board included Mr. Olsen's proposal in its [Annual Report](#) to the legislature for the 2024 session.
9. In December 2024, the board included Mr. Olsen's proposal in its [Annual Report](#) to the legislature for the 2025 session.

10. In November 2024, the department told the Medical Cannabidiol Board the problem with the fake name (“medical cannabidiol”) is a serious problem:

OWEN PARKER:

So, the first one, again, amending, you know, the name to the “Medical Cannabis Act”. You know, this has been widely documented why we would like to do this. You know, it’s really been an education barrier in a lot of ways. There’s still many very important stakeholders that I speak with that aren’t totally familiar with what the program provides and I think this would help that. The only thing I will say about this, right, other than as it relates to things, you know phrases and words that are codified, like the Medical Cannabidiol Board, or medical cannabidiol registration card, you know we’ve really taken the liberty to call it what it is. You know, so our website is Medical Cannabis. We always refer to it as medical cannabis. You know, it’s again, it’s just been an education barrier in helping people understand what it is. You know, both law enforcement, health care practitioners, you name it, it’s been important to kind of take on that kind of nomenclature.

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