

Senate Study Bill 1205 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON JUDICIARY BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SODDERS)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the reclassification of marijuana, including
2 tetrahydrocannabinols, under the controlled substance
3 schedules.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 124.204, subsection 4, paragraphs m and
2 u, Code 2015, are amended by striking the paragraphs.

3 Sec. 2. Section 124.204, subsection 7, Code 2015, is amended
4 by striking the subsection.

5 Sec. 3. Section 124.206, subsection 7, Code 2015, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 7. *Hallucinogenic substances.* Unless specifically excepted
8 or unless listed in another schedule, any material, compound,
9 mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the
10 following substances, or, for purposes of paragraphs "a" and
11 "b", which contains any of its salts, isomers, or salts of
12 isomers whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, or salts
13 of isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation
14 (for purposes of this paragraph only, the term "isomer" includes
15 the optical, positional, and geometric isomers):

16 a. ~~Marijuana when used for medicinal purposes pursuant to~~
17 ~~rules of the board.~~

18 b. Tetrahydrocannabinols, meaning tetrahydrocannabinols
19 naturally contained in a plant of the genus Cannabis (Cannabis
20 plant) as well as synthetic equivalents of the substances
21 contained in the Cannabis plant, or in the resinous extractives
22 of such plant, and synthetic substances, derivatives, and their
23 isomers with similar chemical structure and pharmacological
24 activity to those substances contained in the plant, such as
25 the following:

26 (1) 1 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and their optical
27 isomers.

28 (2) 6 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and their optical
29 isomers.

30 (3) 3,4 cis or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and their
31 optical isomers. (Since nomenclature of these substances
32 is not internationally standardized, compounds of these
33 structures, regardless of numerical designation of atomic
34 positions covered.)

35 ~~b.~~ c. Nabilone [another name for

1 nabilone: (+-) -
2 trans-3-(1,1-dimethylheptyl)-6,6a,7,8,10,10a-hexahydro-1-
3 hydroxy-6,6-dimethyl-9H-dibenzo[b,d]pyran-9-one].

4 EXPLANATION

5 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
6 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

7 This bill relates to the reclassification of marijuana
8 including tetrahydrocannabinols.

9 The bill reclassifies marijuana, including
10 tetrahydrocannabinols, as a schedule II controlled substance
11 instead of a schedule I controlled substance and strikes
12 references to the authority of the board of pharmacy to adopt
13 rules for the use of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols for
14 medicinal purposes.

15 A schedule I controlled substance is a highly addictive
16 substance that has no accepted medical use in the United States
17 and a schedule II controlled substance is a highly addictive
18 substance that has an accepted medical use in the United
19 States. The reclassification of marijuana from a schedule I
20 controlled substance to a schedule II controlled substance
21 would allow a physician to issue a prescription for marijuana
22 under state law. However, federal regulations may prohibit
23 such prescriptions.