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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
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Senate Bill 523 – Medical Cannabis – Employees in Health Care Settings Caring for Qualifying Patients

Exemption

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Dear Chairwoman Griffith, Vice Chairwoman Klausmeier, and Members of the Committee,

The purpose of the bill is to allow designated medical personnel to expand their ability to treat patients with medical cannabis. Currently, we are finding out the benefits of how medical cannabis can help individuals suffering from different medical conditions. Nurses and other medical personnel will be able to treat patients in facilities such as hospitals, hospice care centers, nursing homes, and more with this bill. These medical personnel will be designated in writing to provide this care and will thus be given the expanded responsibility to care for the well-being of the patient.

Thank you very much and I ask for a favorable report.

Sincerely,

Senator Mike McKay, District 1
Representing the Appalachia Region of Maryland
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