

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

February 7, 2019

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on Health, Human Services and Elderly
Affairs to which was referred HB 174,**

**AN ACT relative to alternative treatment center
licenses. Having considered the same, report the same
with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Kendall Snow

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs
Bill Number:	HB 174
Title:	relative to alternative treatment center licenses.
Date:	February 7, 2019
Consent Calendar:	CONSENT
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to issue a request for proposals to take steps to establish a second license to operate another alternative treatment counter to dispense medical cannabis in Hillsborough and Merrimack County. This will improve access to alternative treatment centers in this densely populated area. It will also create competition to minimize costs to consumers.

Vote 19-2.

Rep. Kendall Snow
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

HB 174, relative to alternative treatment center licenses. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: H Health

BILL NUMBER: HB 174

TITLE: relative to alternative treatment center licenses

DATE: Jan 7, 2019 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

- OUGHT TO PASS
- OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT
- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No. _____

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

This bill authorizes The Department of Health + Human Services to issue a Request for Proposals ^{license to operate another} and take steps to establish a second Alternative Treatment Center to dispense Medical Cannabis in Hillsborough + Merrimack County. This will improve access to Alternative treatment centers in this ^{densely} ~~densely~~ populated area. It will also create competition to minimize costs to consumers. ~~HB 174~~

COMMITTEE VOTE: 19-2

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

- Copy to Committee Bill File
- Use Another Report for Minority Report

Rep. Kendall Adams
For the Committee

Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 174

BILL TITLE: relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

DATE: February 7, 2019

LOB ROOM: 205

MOTIONS: OUGHT TO PASS

Moved by Rep. Snow

Seconded by Rep. Fothergill

Vote: 19-2

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,



Rep Susan Ticehurst, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 174

BILL TITLE: relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

DATE: 2-7-19

LOB ROOM: 205

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # _____
 Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. Snow Seconded by Rep. Fothergill Vote: 19-2

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # _____
 Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # _____
 Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # _____
 Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

Minority Report? _____ Yes No If yes, author, Rep: _____ Motion _____

Respectfully submitted: Susan Ticehurst
Rep Susan Ticehurst, Clerk



2019 SESSION

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Bill #: HB 174 Motion: OTP AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2-7-19

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Weber, Lucy M. Chairman	✓		
Campion, Polly Kent Vice Chairman	✓		
MacKay, James R.	✓		
Snow, Kendall A.	✓		
Freitas, Mary C.	✓		
Ticehurst, Susan J. Clerk	✓		
Knirk, Jerry L.	✓		
Salloway, Jeffrey C.	✓		
Cannon, Gerri D.	✓		
Nutter-Upham, Frances E.	✓		
Osborne, Richard G.	✓		
Schapiro, Joe	✓		
Woods, Gary L.	✓		
McMahon, Charles E.	✓		
Nelson, Bill G.	✓		
Guthrie, Joseph A.		✓	
Fothergill, John J.	✓		
Marsh, William M.	✓		
Pearson, Mark A.		✓	
Acton, Dennis F.	✓		
DeClercq, Edward			



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2019 SESSION

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Bill #:	Motion:	AM #:	Exec Session Date:
Stapleton, Walter A.			✓
TOTAL VOTE:		19	2

Sub-
Committee
Actions

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION on HB 174

BILL TITLE: relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

DATE: February 7, 2019

Subcommittee Members: Reps. Ticehurst, MacKay, Snow, Nutter-Upham, Cannon, Schapiro, Guthrie, Fothergill, Marsh and Acton

Comments and Recommendations:

MOTIONS: OUGHT TO PASS

Moved by Rep. Rep. Fothergill Seconded by Rep. Rep. Snow Vote: 8-1

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. James MacKay
Subcommittee Chairman

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION on HB 174

BILL TITLE: relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

DATE: 2-7-19

Subcommittee Members: Reps. MacKay, Snow, Ticehurst, Cannon, Nutter-Upham, Schapiro, Guthrie, Fothergill, Marsh and Acton

Comments and Recommendations:

Three horizontal lines for writing comments and recommendations.

MOTIONS: (OTP) OTP/A, ITL, Retained (1st Yr), Interim Study (2nd Yr) (Please circle one)

Moved by Rep. Fothergill Seconded by Rep. Snow AM Vote: _____

Adoption of Amendment # _____

Moved by Rep. Fothergill Seconded by Rep. Snow Vote: 8-1

_____ Amendment Adopted _____ Amendment Failed

MOTIONS: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Retained (1st Yr), Interim Study (2nd Yr) (Please circle one)

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ AM Vote: _____

Adoption of Amendment # _____

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

_____ Amendment Adopted _____ Amendment Failed

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. _____ Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

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2019 SESSION

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs - *Division I*

Bill #: *HB 174* Motion: *OTP* AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: *2-7-19*

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Weber, Lucy M. Chairman			
✓ Campion, Polly Kent Vice Chairman			
✓ MacKay, James R.	✓		
✓ Snow, Kendall A.	✓		
Freitas, Mary C.			
✓ Ticehurst, Susan J. Clerk	✓		
Knirk, Jerry L.			
Salloway, Jeffrey C.			
✓ Cannon, Gerri D.	✓		
✓ Nutter-Upham, Frances E.	✓		
Osborne, Richard G.			
✓ Schapiro, Joe	✓		
Woods, Gary L.			
McMahon, Charles E.			
Nelson, Bill G.			
✓ Guthrie, Joseph A.		✓	
✓ Fothergill, John J.	✓		
✓ Marsh, William M.			✓
Pearson, Mark A.			
✓ Acton, Dennis F.	✓		
DeClercq, Edward			

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2019 SESSION

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

Bill #: _____ Motion: _____ AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: _____

Stapleton, Walter A.

TOTAL VOTE:

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 174

BILL TITLE: relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

DATE: January 15, 2019

LOB ROOM: 205 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 1:30 PM

Time Adjourned: 1:46 PM

Committee Members: Reps. Weber, Campion, Ticehurst, MacKay, Snow, Freitas, Knirk, Salloway, Cannon, Nutter-Upham, R. Osborne, Schapiro, Woods, McMahan, Nelson, Guthrie, Fothergill, Marsh, M. Pearson, Acton, DeClercq and Stapleton

Bill Sponsors:

Rep. Horn

Sen. Reagan

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Sponsor/Introduced By: Rep. Horn -

This bill adds a fifth therapeutic cannabis dispensary, to be located in region 2.

Paul Morrisette - Supports the bill -

This bill allows better patient access in the most central and populous area of the state. It allows patients a choice of vendors and products, and also spurs competition.

Rick Naya, Executive Director of National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, (NORML) -

Liberties are being taken from us by allowing monopolies of producers. Other companies should be allowed to compete, driving prices down.

Brett Sicklick, Prime Alternative Treatment Center - Opposes the bill -

Patient base has increased but four producers have been able to expand within their footprints. Costs have come down significantly without any additional producers, by being able to take advantage of economies of scale and as a result of realizing returns on investments. Lower costs by not having to start from scratch (paraphrased). Adding another operator and reducing patient base will add challenges to the dispensaries without advantage to the patients. Expansion of patient base is attributable to the increased number of qualifying conditions.

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. Susan Ticehurst, Clerk

House Committee on Health, Human Services & Elderly Affairs
Public Hearing on HB 174

Bill Title:	Relative to alternative treatment center licenses.		
Date:	1/15/19		
Room:	205 (303)	Time Public Hearing Called to Order:	1:30
		Time Adjourned:	1:46

Committee Members Present:

X	Shapiro
X	Cannon
X	Stapleton
X	Nutter-Upham
X	Marsh
X	Salloway
X	Fothergill
X	Freitas
X	MackKay
X	Ticehurst
X	Weber

X	DeClerq
X	Osborne
X	Acton
X	Woods
X	Pearson
X	Knirk
X	Guthrie
X	Snow
X	McMahon
X	Campion

Testimony

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Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Susan Ticehurst, Clerk

Bill as
Introduced

HB 174 - AS INTRODUCED

2019 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

174

AN ACT

relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Horn, Merr. 2; Sen. Reagan, Dist 17

COMMITTEE:

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes a new alternative treatment center for cannabis in the Hillsborough and Merrimack area of New Hampshire.

Explanation:

Matter added to current law appears in *bold italics*.

Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

AN ACT relative to alternative treatment center licenses.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Departmental Administration; Alternative Treatment Centers. Amend RSA 126-X:7, III to
2 read as follows:

3 III. If at any time after 2 years after the effective date of this section, fewer than [4] 5
4 alternative treatment centers hold valid registration certificates in New Hampshire, the department
5 shall accept applications for a new alternative treatment center. *The department shall accept*
6 *applications for a new alternative treatment center in either Hillsborough or Merrimack*
7 *county*. No more than [4] 5 alternative treatment centers shall hold valid registration certificates
8 at one time.

9 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.