

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council to study the issue of creating a defense to possession of marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1           A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council  
2 to study the issue of creating a defense to possession of  
3 marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia.

4           *Whereas, Thirty-three states and the District of Columbia*  
5 *have legalized marijuana usage for the purpose of medical*  
6 *treatment under the recommendation of a physician;*

7           *Whereas, Medical marijuana treatment provides healing,*  
8 *pain relief, and other medical benefits for individuals suffering*  
9 *from terminal illnesses or otherwise untreatable diseases;*

10           *Whereas, Individuals who have received a recommendation*  
11 *from a physician and obtained unexpired, legal credentials to*  
12 *possess and use medical marijuana in another state should*  
13 *have a valid defense in Indiana to possess less than two ounces*  
14 *of marijuana, an instrument or device used in conjunction with*  
15 *marijuana, or both;*

16           *Whereas, Individuals should not fear arrest and*  
17 *prosecution for treating their serious or terminal illness with*  
18 *medical marijuana that has been certified as legal in their*  
19 *home state; and*

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1           *Whereas, Creating a defense to possession of marijuana for*  
2           *individuals with a valid medical marijuana recommendation*  
3           *from a physician from another state will encourage tourism to*  
4           *Indiana without fear of repercussions for engaging in necessary*  
5           *medical treatment: Therefore,*

6                           *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*  
7                           *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

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9           SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urges the legislative  
10          council to assign to the appropriate study committee the topic  
11          of creating a defense to possession of marijuana and marijuana  
12          paraphernalia.

