



General Assembly

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**Amendment**

LCO No. 6709

**\*HB0671506709HRO\***

Offered by:  
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6715      File No. 420      Cal. No. 348

**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA."**

1      Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2      following in lieu thereof:

3      "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes of  
4      this section, "qualifying patient" means a person who is eighteen years  
5      of age or older and has been diagnosed by a physician as having: (1)  
6      Cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus  
7      or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or is undergoing treatment  
8      for any such condition, including, but not limited to, chemotherapy; (2)  
9      a chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition that produces, or  
10     the treatment of which produces, one or more of the following: (A)  
11     Cachexia or wasting syndrome, (B) severe pain, (C) severe nausea, (D)  
12     seizures, or (E) severe and persistent muscle spasms; or (3) any other  
13     medical condition approved by the Department of Public Health in  
14     response to a request from a physician or potentially qualifying  
15     patient, pursuant to regulations that the Commissioner of Public  
16     Health may adopt in accordance with chapter 54 of the general

17 statutes.

18 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any  
19 qualifying patient may possess and use the delivery system for  
20 medical marijuana, known as Sativex, that the qualifying patient has  
21 obtained by prescription in Canada. No such qualifying patient shall  
22 be subject to any criminal prosecution or other penalty for such  
23 possession and use."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section