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AN ACT relating to marijuana; expanding the definition of “chronic or debilitating medical condition” for certain purposes relating to the medical use of marijuana; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

Existing law generally exempts a person who holds a valid registry identification card or letter of approval from state prosecution for possession, delivery and production of marijuana. (NRS 453A.200, 453A.205) To obtain a registry identification card or letter of approval, an applicant must submit to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services, among other requirements, a signature from the applicant’s attending provider of health care affirming that the applicant has been diagnosed with a chronic or debilitating medical condition. (NRS 453A.210) This bill expands the definition of “chronic or debilitating medical condition” to include certain additional medical conditions.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 453A.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

453A.050 “Chronic or debilitating medical condition” means:

1. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
2. *An anxiety disorder*;
3. *An autism spectrum disorder*;
4. *An autoimmune disease*;
5. Cancer;
6. *Dependence upon or addiction to opioids*;

~~[3.]~~ 7. Glaucoma;

~~[4.]~~ 8. A medical condition or treatment for a medical condition that produces, for a specific patient, one or more of the following:

- (a) ~~[Cachexia:]~~ *Anorexia or cachexia*;
- (b) ~~[Persistent muscle]~~ *Muscle* spasms, including, without limitation, spasms caused by multiple sclerosis;
- (c) Seizures, including, without limitation, seizures caused by epilepsy;
- (d) Severe nausea; or
- (e) Severe *or chronic* pain; ~~[or]~~



*9. A medical condition related to acquired immune deficiency syndrome or the human immunodeficiency virus;*

*10. A neuropathic condition, whether or not such condition causes seizures; or*

~~5.~~ *11.* Any other medical condition or treatment for a medical condition that is:

(a) Classified as a chronic or debilitating medical condition by regulation of the Division; or

(b) Approved as a chronic or debilitating medical condition pursuant to a petition submitted in accordance with NRS 453A.710.

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.

