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1 Committee of Conference Report on SB 357, relative to expanding the definition of providers who can  
2 certify patients of the therapeutic cannabis program.

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4 Recommendation:

5 That the Senate recede from its position of nonconcurrence with the House amendment, and

6 That the House recede from its position in adopting its amendment to the bill, and

7 That the Senate and House adopt the following new amendment to the bill as amended by the  
8 Senate, and pass the bill as so amended:

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10 Amend section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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12 1 Use of Cannabis for Therapeutic Purposes; Definition of Provider. Amend RSA 126-X:1,  
13 VII(a)(3) and (4) to read as follows:

14 (3) A physician, ***physician assistant***, or advanced practice registered nurse  
15 licensed to prescribe drugs to humans under the relevant state licensing laws in Maine,  
16 Massachusetts, or Vermont and who possesses an active registration from the United States Drug  
17 Enforcement Administration to prescribe controlled substances and who is primarily responsible for  
18 the patient's care related to his or her qualifying medical condition; ~~[or]~~

19 (4) A physician assistant licensed pursuant to RSA 328-D and who possesses an  
20 active registration from the United States Drug Enforcement Administration to prescribe controlled  
21 substances~~[, with the express consent of the supervising physician.]~~ ***consistent with his or her***  
22 ***collaboration agreement; or***

23 (5) ***Any other New Hampshire provider who is licensed to prescribe drugs to***  
24 ***humans and who possesses an active registration from the United States Drug Enforcement***  
25 ***Administration to prescribe controlled substances and who is primarily responsible for the***  
26 ***patient's care related to his or her qualifying medical condition.***

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The signatures below attest to the authenticity of this Report on SB 357, relative to expanding the definition of providers who can certify patients of the therapeutic cannabis program.

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Conferees on the Part of the House

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Sen. Abbas, Dist. 22

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Rep. Layon, Rock. 13

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Sen. Bradley, Dist. 3

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Rep. Nagel, Belk. 6

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Sen. Whitley, Dist. 15

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Rep. Weber, Ches. 5

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Rep. Merchant, Sull. 6

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill expands the definition of provider under the therapeutic cannabis program to include certain physician assistants and other health care providers licensed to proscribe drugs and primarily responsible for the patient's care related to his or her qualifying medical condition. The bill also requires, for issuance of a registry identification card to a minor, certification from 2 providers, one of whom shall be a pediatric care provider.