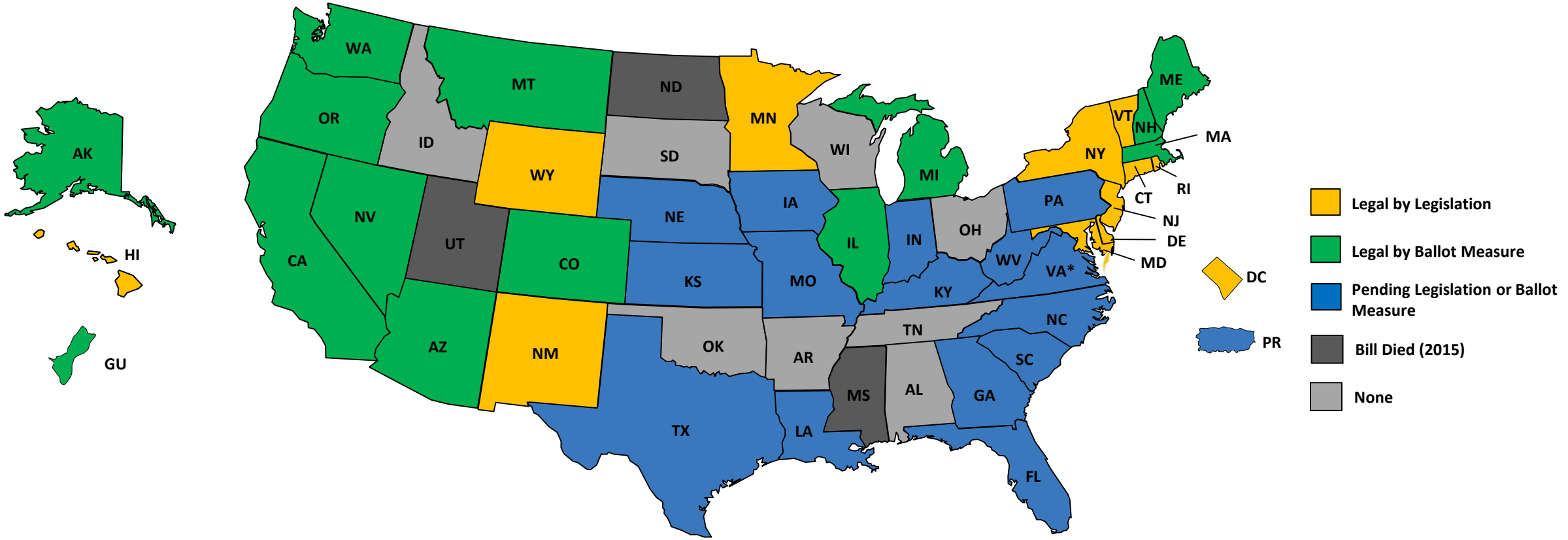
# Legalization of Medical Marijuana

## State & Territorial Laws, Pending Legislation, and Ballot Initiatives




| State | | AK | AZ | CA | CO | CT | DE | DC | HI | IL | MA | MD | ME | MI | MN | MT | NV | NY | NH | NJ | NM | OR | RI | VT | WA | WY |
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| Year of Enactment | | 98 | 10 | 96 | 00 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 00 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 99 | 08 | 14 | 04 | 00 | 14 | 13 | 10 | 07 | 98 | 06 | 04 | 98 | 15 |
| **Health Agency Responsibilities** | Dispensary Permitting | | • | | | | • | • | | | • | | • | | • | | • | • | • | • | • | | • | | | |
| | Patient Registry | • | • | • | • | | • | • | | • | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • |
| | Caregiver Registry | • | • | • | • | | • | • | | • | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • |
| | Addition of Medical Conditions | • | • | | • | | • | • | • | • | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • | |
| | Oversees Health Research Grant Program | | | | • | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

* VA was the first state to pass a medical marijuana law in 1979. It exempts physicians and pharmacists from state prosecution for prescribing marijuana in the course of treatment for glaucoma or cancer. While still on the books , this law has had little practical effect.

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## A Summary of 2015 Legislation

| State | | FL | | GA | IN | | IA | KS | | | KY | | LA | MS | MO | | NE | NC | ND | PA | | SC | TX | | | | | | UT | VA | WV | | WY | |
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| Bill Number | | HB 683 | SB 528 | SB 7 | HB 1487 | SB 284 | SSB 1243 | HB 2011 | HB 2282 | SB 9 | HB 3 | SB 40 | HB 6 | SB 2318 | HB 490 | HB 930 | LB 643 | H 78 | HB 1430 | HB 193 | SB 3 | H 3140 | HB 837 | HB 892 | HB 3785 | SB 339 | SB 1839 | SB 259 | HB 1605 | HB 2909 | SB 564 | HB 32 | HB 78 |
| **Responsible Oversight Agency** | Dept. of Health | • | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | | • | | | • | • | • | • |
| | Dept. of Public Safety | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | | • | | • | | | | | |
| | Dept. of Marijuana Enforcement | | | | | • | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Unclear/Not Addressed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | | | | | • | | | | | |
| **Health Agency Responsibilities (if applicable)** | Dispensary Permitting | • | • | | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | • | • | • | | | • | | | • | | • | | | • | • | | |
| | Patient Registry | • | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | | • | | | • | • | • | • |
| | Caregiver Registry | • | • | • | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | | • | | | • | • | • | • |
| | Addition of Medical Conditions | | | • | • | | • | • | | • | • | • | | • | • | | • | | | | | • | | | • | | • | | | • | • | | |
| Enacted/Failed Date | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2/3 | | | | | 2/18 | | | | | | | | | 3/9 | | | | 3/3 | 3/3 |

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