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Enjoy and Be Safe!

Governor Phil Murphy Signs Legislation and Executive Order Ending COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

With all COVID-19 capacity restrictions on businesses and gathering limits having been lifted due to the continued improvement of New Jersey's public health metrics, Governor Phil Murphy today signed legislation (A5820/S3866) enabling the end of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency that has been in place since March 9, 2020. Immediately following the signing of the legislation, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order No. 244, ending the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. Under the legislation, the majority of executive

orders issued pursuant to the Public Health Emergency will expire 30 days from today.

The legislation, which was negotiated with legislative leadership and sponsored by Senate President Steve Sweeney and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, allows for the termination of the Public Health Emergency while also allowing the Administration to retain the tools necessary to manage the ongoing threat posed by the pandemic. Specifically, the Administration is authorized to issue orders, directives, and waivers under the authority in the Emergency Health Powers Act that are related to vaccination efforts; testing; health resource and personnel allocation; data collection, retention, sharing, and access; coordination of local health departments; and implementation of any CDC recommendations to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. This authority lasts until January 11, 2022, and can be extended for 90 days with the passage of a concurrent resolution by the Legislature.

Brilliant Families Celebrate Graduations

Congratulations to the following Brilliant family members on their graduation:

Colin Libourel, son of Jon Libourel, LSRP, on his graduation from 8th grade.

Kayleigh Markey, daughter of Karen Markey, Office Manager, on her graduation from High School.

Roger Babcock, son of Brian Babcock, LSRP, on his graduation from kindergarten.



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Emerging Contaminants: 1,4-Dioxane

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is a national leader in assessing and responding to environmental and public health risks presented by emerging contaminants.

Emerging contaminants, also called contaminants of emerging concern (or CECs), is a designation that refers to a class of chemicals that present unique issues and challenges to the environmental community. Many emerging

contaminants can be present in substances or products regularly used by the general public. Emerging contaminants can include chemicals present in pharmaceuticals, personal care or household cleaning products, lawn care and agricultural products, and many other applications. Emerging contaminants, some of which are not yet regulated by federal or state environmental agencies, can make it into surface waters (e.g., lakes, rivers, and streams) and groundwaters, impacting water quality, aquatic species, and potentially, drinking water sources.

DEP assesses emerging contaminants, together with the New Jersey Drinking Water Quality Institute, determines whether and how to regulate these contaminants.

1,4-dioxane, an emerging contaminant that is present in or a byproduct of many commercial/industrial and consumer products, is under evaluation by DEP. As of December 2020, DEP has established a standard for the groundwater discharges and remediation. DEP is also in the process of evaluating the setting of a drinking water standard for 1,4-dioxane.

August deadline for NJ Towns to Decide if They Want Legal Weed Businesses May Be Extended

As officials from hundreds of communities in New Jersey stress over a looming August deadline to decide whether they will welcome or block future legal marijuana businesses, a state lawmaker wants to give them 60 more days of deliberation.

Assemblyman Christopher Tully, D-Bergen, introduced a bill Monday (A5921) that gives local elected officials an additional 60 days beyond the Aug. 21 deadline to enact an ordinance either welcoming or banning adult-use cannabis businesses from opening in their communities.

As it stands now under the law Gov. Phil Murphy signed in February, local officials who take no action by the deadline would have to abide by a standard set of rules for five years. The law was written this way in order to allow the potentially multi-billion-dollar industry more opportunities to succeed.

Edmund DeVeaux, president of the New Jersey CannaBusiness Association, endorsed the legislation. Absent state rules regulating the industry, which are also due on Aug. 21, local officials have been frustrated with having to make a decision minus key facts.

“The one thing that has been clear since February of this year has been the confusion over municipal guidelines in the emerging cannabis economy,” DeVeaux said.

“The NJCBA is in conversations with several communities as to how to best deal with the looming opt-in/opt-out deadline. Supporting the extension is one more way the NJCBA supports municipalities in ensuring the state develops a responsible, sustainable, diverse, and profitable cannabis industry,” DeVeaux said.

“Moreover, this provides additional support for the Cannabis Regulatory Commission, faced with the immense task of creating an agency and an industry,” he added.

Clinton Town Mayor Janice Kovach, who is also president of the New Jersey League of Municipalities, said she appreciated the Assemblyman understanding the need for more time.

“We didn’t ask for (the bill) but would be supportive of any extension that would give the towns the opportunity to continue to review,” Kovach said. “However, rather than a set timeframe, an extension passed the introduction of the rules would be ideal.”

Tully could not immediately be reached for comment.

The state Legislature would have to move fast if they wanted to enact the bill. Lawmakers would have until the end of June to hold hearings, vote on it and send it to Murphy for signature before the Legislature goes on recess until after the November general election.

Brick, Bridgewater and Sea Isle and are among the cities and towns that have banned cannabis sales. Officials from other communities have said they are opting to block cannabis businesses until the state Cannabis Regulatory Commission releases a proposed set of rules its members will use to regulate the new market.

New Jersey voters said yes to legalizing marijuana last November by a 2-to-1 margin, but legal sales to those over 21 cannot begin until the commission establishes rules and licenses new dispensaries and grow facilities. Those will all need local approval from the cities and towns where they set up shop.

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