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The latest hemp laws state-by-state: July 2019

One state established a hemp growth program, one governor vetoed legislation expanding his state's hemp program, and agencies in five states announced hemp policies or regulations. One county prosecutor announced CBD is illegal in his state. One city passed a one-year moratorium on new CBD businesses. Below is a review of the latest hemp legal changes listed state-by-state.

ALABAMA

The Tallapoosa County District Attorney announced that it is illegal to manufacture, distribute, sell, or possess hemp-derived CBD products with a narrow exception for those with certain debilitating conditions.

FLORIDA

The City of Delray Beach passed an ordinance prohibiting new businesses from selling CBD as their primary product for one year. Companies currently selling CBD are unaffected by the ban.

HAWAII

Governor David Ige vetoed legislation that required the establishment of a permanent hemp program and removed hemp from the state's controlled substances list.

IOWA

The Iowa attorney general released a statement stating hemp-derived CBD will be considered marijuana and a Schedule I controlled substance until the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) approves Iowa's state hemp plan. Even after receiving USDA approval, hemp-derived CBD may not be added to foods or marketed as a dietary supplement under U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) guidance. The Iowa Alcoholic Beverages

Division also issued a regulatory bulletin indicating CBD may not be added to alcoholic beverages.

LOUISIANA

Louisiana's Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control issued emergency rules requiring retailers and wholesalers to register each location where they sell hemp-derived CBD. Louisiana's Department of Health issued emergency rules governing product registration and labeling.

MAINE

Maine's Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry released guidelines that require labeling CBD food products and restaurant menus with certain information. The guidelines require CBD to be extracted or derived from hemp grown under Maine's hemp program and prevent the importation of CBD food products from other states. The Office of the Attorney General opined a new law that takes effect September 19, 2019, may eliminate these restrictions.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services stated, "CBD is not a permitted additive in the state." The New Hampshire Liquor Commission also issued guidance CBD may not be added to alcoholic beverages.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico's Environment Department issued emergency rules outlining requirements for the transportation, processing, storage, and labeling of hemp and hemp products.

OHIO

Governor Mike DeWine signed Senate Bill 57 into law, establishing Ohio as the 47th state to authorize a hemp program. The new law

explicitly permits the retail sale, purchasing, and possession of hemp-derived CBD products.

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