

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To establish, on an emergency basis, a limit on the number of medical marijuana cultivation centers and medical marijuana dispensaries that can be registered to operate in a ward in the District.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Medical Marijuana Cultivation Center and Dispensary Locations Emergency Amendment Act of 2012”.

Sec. 2. Section 7(d) of the Legalization of Marijuana for Medical Treatment Initiative of 1999, effective July 27, 2010 (D.C. Law 18-210; D.C. Official Code § 7-1671.06), is amended as follows:

*Note,  
§ 7-1671.06*

(a) Paragraph (2) is amended to read as follows:

“(2)(A) No more than 5 dispensaries shall be registered to operate in the District; provided, that the Mayor may increase the number to as many as 8 by rulemaking to ensure that qualifying patients have adequate access to medical marijuana; provided further, that no more than 2 dispensaries shall be registered to operate within an election ward established by the Council in section 4 of the Redistricting Procedure Act of 1981, effective March 16, 1982 (D.C. Law 4-87; D.C. Official Code § 1-1041.03).

“(B) The prohibition of no more than 2 dispensaries being registered to operate within a ward set forth in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall apply to applications pending as of the effective date of the Medical Marijuana Cultivation Center and Dispensary Locations Emergency Amendment Act of 2012, passed on emergency basis on January 17, 2012 (Enrolled version of Bill 19-652) (“Emergency Act”).”.

(b) Paragraph (3) is amended to read as follows:

“(3)(A) The number of cultivation centers that may be registered to operate in the District shall be determined by rulemaking; provided, that no more than 6 cultivation centers shall be registered to operate within an election ward established by the Council in section 4 of the Redistricting Procedure Act of 1981, effective March 16, 1982 (D.C. Law 4-87; D.C. Official Code § 1-1041.03).

“(B) The prohibition of no more than 6 cultivation centers being registered

to operate within a ward set forth in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall apply to applications pending as of the effective date of the Emergency Act.”.

(c) A new paragraph (4) is added to read as follows:

“(4) No more than one dispensary may be registered to operate in any ward in which 5 cultivation centers have been registered to operate.”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).

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Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

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Mayor  
District of Columbia