

Ordinance: Age Restriction on Hemp Product Retail Sales

Definitions

"City" means the City of Chicago.

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection or the Commissioner's designee.

"Department" means the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.

"Hemp" means the plant *Cannabis sativa* L. and any part of that plant, including the seeds thereof and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, whether growing or not, with a delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of not more than 0.3 percent on a dry weight basis.

"Hemp product" means a product that contains cannabinoids from hemp and complies with the definition of "hemp".

"Retail hemp store" means a retail establishment that derives more than 20 percent of its gross revenue from the sale of hemp products.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

Section 1. Hemp Product Retail Sale Requirements.

Hemp products that contain detectable amounts of hemp cannabinoids and are intended for human consumption by inhalation or ingestion, designated for retail sale within the City, may not be sold to a person who is under 21 years of age. No person shall sell, give away, barter, exchange or otherwise furnish any hemp product at retail or otherwise to any individual under 21 years of age. It shall be unlawful for any individual under the age of 21 years to misrepresent his or her identity or age, or to use any false or altered identification, for the purpose of purchasing hemp products.

Section 2. Underage hemp product violations – Program for monitoring sales to minors.

The Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection shall ensure that sufficient resources of the Department are devoted to provide for the adequate enforcement of a program of testing the sales practices of retail establishments selling hemp products in the City to determine whether businesses are selling hemp products containing detectable amounts of hemp cannabinoids to minors. The program shall include using persons under the age of 21 to purchase hemp products, in accordance with procedures established by the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection. No person under the age of 21 who purchases or

attempts to purchase hemp products as part of the program shall be charged with a violation of Section 1 of this ordinance.

Section 3. Underage hemp product violations – Report by BACP.

The Commissioner shall ensure that sufficient resources of the Department are devoted to provide for the adequate enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance relating to underage hemp product violations. No later than the 21st day of January of each year, the Commissioner shall provide a written report, to the City Council Committee on License and Consumer Protection or to its successor committee, on the number of notices of underage hemp product violations issued by the Department for the previous calendar year.

Section 4. Restrictions on hiring persons under 21 years of age.

Any retail hemp store in the City may not engage, employ or permit a person under 21 years of age to work on the premises, if the person has duties relating to the sale, dispensing, service or delivery of hemp products on the premises.

Section 5. Enforcement – Penalties.

Any person found liable of violating Section 1 or Section 4 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$300 nor more than \$1,000 for each offense.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take full force and effect upon its passage and publication, and shall remain in effect for four years following its effective date.