

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 19, 2023

Introduced by Sen. HINCHEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the cannabis law, in relation to extending certain authorizations to minimally process and distribute cannabis products

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 68-c of the cannabis law, as added
2 by chapter 18 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

3 6. A conditional adult-use cultivator licensee shall have the tempo-
4 rary authority to minimally process and distribute cannabis products,
5 provided that such final products shall be in the form of cannabis flow-
6 er, without holding an adult-use processor or distributor license estab-
7 lished pursuant to sections sixty-nine and seventy-one of this article;
8 provided that the licensee complies with all requirements for the proc-
9 essing and distribution of cannabis products as set out by the board in
10 regulations or in the terms and conditions of the conditional license.
11 Such authority to minimally process and distribute cannabis products
12 expires on June first, two thousand [~~twenty-three~~] twenty-four. After
13 June first, two thousand [~~twenty-three~~] twenty-four, any conditional
14 adult-use cultivator seeking to process and distribute cannabis products
15 shall be required to apply for and receive a processor and distributor
16 license to conduct this activity.

17 § 2. Subdivision 6 of section 69-a of the cannabis law, as added by
18 chapter 18 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

19 6. A conditional adult-use processor licensee shall have the authority
20 to distribute cannabis products without holding an adult-use distributor
21 license established pursuant to section seventy-one of this article
22 until June first, two thousand [~~twenty-three~~] twenty-four, provided that
23 the licensee complies with all requirements for the distribution of
24 cannabis products as set out by the office. After June first, two thou-

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 sand [~~twenty-three~~] twenty-four, any conditional processor seeking to
2 distribute cannabis products shall be required to apply for and receive
3 a distributor license to conduct this activity.
4 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that
5 the amendments to subdivision 6 of section 68-c and subdivision 6 of
6 section 69-a of the cannabis law made by sections one and two of this
7 act shall not affect the expiration of such sections and shall be deemed
8 to repeal therewith.