

ADVISORY BULLETIN

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Recent Changes to Marijuana Laws

The Bureau of Marijuana Regulation (BMR) is notifying marijuana licensees and applicants of the following recent amendments to the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMFLA), the Marihuana Tracking Act (MTA), and other acts impacting marijuana:

2018 PA 582 amends the MMFLA as follows:

- Changes the definition of "applicant" related to disclosures in an application for purposes of eligibility.
- Adds criminal penalties for the unlicensed operation of a facility.
- Changes the transfer, sale, or conveyance of a license provision of the law.
- Allows a licensee to directly access, without the use of a third-party, the statewide monitoring system depending on capabilities.
- Repeals the true party of interest section of the law.

2018 PA 648 amends the MMFLA as follows:

• Allows certain licensees to handle, process, or test industrial hemp.

2018 PA 439 amends the MTA as follows:

 Allows an applicant to authorize BMR to release certain applicant records to a financial institution.

<u>2018 PA 584</u> amends the State Personal Identification Card Act and <u>2018 PA 504</u> amends the Motor Vehicle Code as follows:

 Allows the Secretary of State to forward to LARA a digital photo taken for a driver or chauffeur license for use on an applicant's official state registry identification card issued under the MMFLA.

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