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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES**

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## Notice of Intent

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4-168(a) of the *Connecticut General Statutes* (CGS) the **Department of Consumer Protection** hereby gives notice that it proposes to adopt a regulation concerning **Medical Marijuana Laboratory Testing**.

**Comment period** (See CGS section 4-168(a)(1)(A))

A comment period of not less than thirty days shall begin upon posting of this notice to the eRegulations System website and shall end on **Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 5:00pm**.

**Detailed description of the proposed regulation.** (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(B))

This proposed regulation modifies existing language related to laboratory testing standards in order to: (i) prohibit cannabis from entering the market if it has specific microorganisms that are shown to be harmful when inhaled, and (ii) allow for a greater general limit of microorganisms that may be beneficial or not harmful.

**Statement of the purposes for which the regulation is proposed.** (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(C))

The purpose of this regulation is to update microbial testing standards for medical marijuana to better protect public health and safety. This proposed regulatory change will create clarity and consistency for medical marijuana laboratories and medical marijuana patients.

**Statutory authority** (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(D))

Conn. Gen. Stat. section 21a-408r

**When, where and how to obtain a copy of the small business impact statement and, if applicable, the regulatory flexibility analysis required pursuant to Sec. 4-168a.** (See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(E))

A copy of the proposed regulation, the Fiscal Note, and the Regulatory Flexibility Analysis applicable to the proposed regulation (as required by Public Act 09-19) are available for inspection at the Department's Legal Division, located at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 901, Hartford, CT 06103, by requesting a copy of the same by telephoning the Department at 860-713-6086, or by viewing the same by visiting the e-Regulations portal on the website of the Secretary of State: <https://eregulations.CT.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/ProposedRegulations>

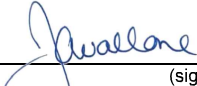
**When, where and how interested persons may present their views on the proposed regulation**

(See CGS Sec. 4-168(a)(1)(F))

All interested parties who wish to submit comments, data, views, or arguments may do so in writing up through the closing date of the comment period listed above. Such written materials should be directed to Michelle Seagull, Commissioner, Department of Consumer Protection, and sent via:

1. electronic submission through the e-Regulations portal on the Secretary of the State's website at the following web address: <https://eregulations.CT.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/ProposedRegulations>,
2. e-mail to [DCP.Regulations@CT.gov](mailto:DCP.Regulations@CT.gov), or
3. postal mail to Suite 901 North, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut, 06103.

Dated: December 29, 2021

  
 (signature)  
 Julianne Avallone  
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