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Marijuana Alert - April 15, 2021



Marijuana referendum results

In the 3 out of 7 metropolitan counties where cannabis sales referendums appeared on the April 6 ballot – Cook, DuPage, and Lake – voters approved sales in three municipalities and defeated them in two others.

In Cook, **Summit and the Cook portion of Roselle approved pot sales while voters in Norridge gave the idea a thumbs down.** In DuPage, Woodridge and the DuPage portion of Roselle voted in favor of marijuana sales. Roselle also approved – by a narrow margin – cannabis cultivation. In Lake, **Lincolnshire voters defeated their cannabis initiative by one-vote, 472-471.**

"And, critically, the wording of a referendum on the ballot is paramount, and that frequently goes a long way to explain loss or defeat on election day, whether it is marijuana sales or school bonds.

If the language is unpersuasive or overly complicated, a referendum is often doomed from the start." [Read more](#)

Kane County Board voted to allow recreational marijuana businesses in unincorporated areas [Read](#)

Unregulated, weed-like drug dubbed 'CBD on crack' has spiked

Chicago businesses are exploiting an apparent loophole in federal law that allows the unfettered sale of a trendy hemp byproduct called Delta-8-THC, which has commonly been described as "marijuana-lite" or "diet weed."

Retailers across the city have started selling a variety of Delta-8 products in settings that resemble licensed cannabis dispensaries but aren't subject to the same stiff regulations. [Read more](#)

Cannabis group calls for regulation of Delta-8 products – House passes HB 147

Deerfield Democrat state Rep. Bob Morgan sponsored [House Bill 147](#),

which would regulate Delta-8 and other cannabinoid products. Morgan said the products in kiosks and shops are “untested, unsafe, and high in metals and pesticides.” [Read more](#)

Movie houses are closing. Could pot dispensaries open in their place?

If everything falls into place, an old AMC theater at 3025 Lindbergh Blvd. in Springfield will be transformed into a cannabis co-op housing a dispensary, a greenhouse and a lounge to get high.

He [Chris Stone] intends to create a fund to acquire five more AMC theaters in states that don't currently allow the sale of marijuana in any form. Then he plans to work with local legislators “to help enact cannabis legislation with the idea that ... we hope to get a license.”

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Early Cannabis Use Linked to Heart Disease [Read](#)

Convicted murderer Drew Peterson's oldest son faces pot-growing charges

Eric D. Peterson, 42, turned himself in on an arrest warrant and was released shortly later after posting the required \$5,000 bond, according to a DuPage County sheriff's office [news release](#). Authorities said they recovered about **40 marijuana plants**, two handguns and ammunition after searching Peterson's home. [Read](#)

For Immediate Action

1. Contact your [State Representative](#) and ask him/her to **Vote NO on HB 3447** (lowers drug penalties on ALL drugs) and **HB 110** to allow consumption sites for drug addicts to bring illegal drugs and consume them on site

1. **Share this Alert** with your faith community and ask them to PRAY.
2. **Forward to 10 others.**

Note: April 23rd is the deadline to pass bills out of the House and Senate. There are many marijuana “shell” bills that could pass in one chamber and be amended in the next chamber (House/Senate).

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