Hemp Ban

Yep, there is a hemp ban that is scheduled to take place December 11th 2026. If nothing in the legislature is enacted this deadline remains. This new statute is absolutely terrible for everyone that uses and sells hemp products. We at Monarch Hill have been trying to be optimistic, but we really don't know what will happen.

The New Law

The law that passed says that packages of hemp derived products can only contain **0.4 mg THC per package**. This level of THC is ***far below the level that is present in a hemp plant***. And far far below any kind of psychoactive level. The only way to sell CBD is to chemically remove the CBD molecule from the hemp extract. This requires expensive machinery and devalues the products. CBD isolate is less effective at all the things people come to love about CBD products.

There is still hope…

The law can still be changes or delayed. People can reach out to their representatives. Several have proposals in the senate and can make these changes. We are hoping our leaders will amend the law to allow a reasonable hemp-friendly level of THC. In Wisconsin, our rule was less than 0.3% THC by weight. That worked just fine. That meets the level of full spectrum CBD. Common sense rules can be enacted.

My 2 Cents

I've done everything right. My labels reflect accurate concentrations. Our process is organic and clean. This has been my livelihood for 7 years. We have invested several thousands in equipment and supplies. I have devoted my time and energy to create products, materials, and methods. I support many suppliers that could lose out on their business as well.

I abide by the THC limits of my state. This isn't a law about safety, it is prohibition. The lobbyists who pushed this through include the alcohol, big pharma, mj, and even tobacco industries. Perhaps they "lobbied" more politicians than the hemp companies did. Some hemp groups have banded together and are pursuing lawsuits and talks to keep this industry alive.

The hemp plant's natural extract should be legal without unnecessary expensive processing to make isolates. Taking the CBD molecule out of its matrix strips it of a lot of its healing properties. Full spectrum hemp extract is a symphony of compounds. Minor cannabinoids and terpenes present in smaller amounts are still important. These components work synergistically and are more powerful together. Variations in these compounds create the personality of the product and their effects on relaxation, mood, or pain relief.

What will we do?

We will continue to sell CBD products right up until the deadline. Thereafter we will continue to make pain salves and lotions using other herbs and natural products. We will be still allowed to sell products that are labelled hemp extract. By law they now must be THC free.

Our new products with hemp extract labels will be available on our new website. Coming Soon!

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