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NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE DECISION BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

AGENCY: Department of Agriculture

RULE: 61 CSR 30. Hemp Products.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: W. Va. Code § 19-12E-7.

DATE FILED AS AN EMERGENCY RULE: July 30, 2021.

Following review under W. Va. Code §29A-3-15a, which requires the Secretary of State to determine that the agency filing such emergency rule: 1) has not exceeded the scope of law authorizing or directing the promulgation thereof; 2) has shown that an emergency exists justifying the promulgation of an emergency rule; and 3) filed the emergency rule in compliance with W. Va. Code §29A-3-15, it is the decision of the Secretary of State that the above emergency rule is **Approved**.

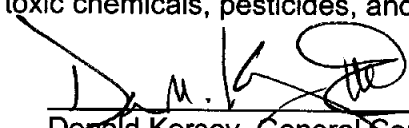
It is the determination of the Secretary of State that this proposal qualifies under the definition of an emergency as defined in §29A-3-15(f):

(1) For the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare;

(2) to comply with a time limitation established by the W. Va. Code or by a federal statute or regulation; or

(3) to prevent substantial harm to the public interest.

Additional notes or comments (if any): Rule updates previous provisions pertinent to changes in the hemp products industry, and to now include additional regulation for prior-omitted subject matter including appropriate levels of potentially toxic chemicals, pesticides, and metals.


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