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### **Microbusiness Fingerprint Submission Timeframe Variance**

Pursuant to 19 CSR 100-1.020(1)(A), the Department of Health and Senior Services, Division of Cannabis Regulation (DCR) is granting a variance to microbusiness applicants for submission of fingerprints during the July 27- August 10, 2023 application time period. 19 CSR 100-1.060(3)(K) requires that individuals subject to analysis for disqualifying felony offense submit fingerprints within two (2) weeks after the application submission date for a state and federal fingerprint-based criminal background check. This requirement for applicants can be met by submission of fingerprints at a later date.

DCR has determined good cause for granting the variance. Senate Bill 40 authorizes DCR to review state and federal criminal background records for individuals subject to the analysis of a disqualifying felony offense. The law will be effective August 28, 2023, after the application time period has ended. DCR anticipates receiving final approval from the FBI later this year to receive fingerprint submissions and will provide successful applicants with further instructions on submission of fingerprints at that time.

Applicants are reminded that they have attested in their application that no individual subject to analysis for a disqualifying felony offense has a disqualifying felony offense. Any microbusiness license issued during this application time period that DCR later determines has an owner with a disqualifying felony offense shall be revoked pursuant to 19 CSR 100-1.020(3).

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