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## Legislation Text

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Committee on License and Consumer Protection City  
Council Meeting, January 27, 2021 Alderman Brendan  
Reilly, 42nd Ward

### ORDINANCE

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Section 17-7-0560 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language stricken and inserting the language underlined, as follows:

#### 17-7-0560 Cannabis Zone Districts

##### 17-7-0561 Purpose;

Provide for distribution throughout the City of adult use cannabis dispensaries, excluding an area in and around the central business district which, because of its unique character, configuration and intensive pedestrian, tourism and entertainment related traffic, presents a higher-level-of-concern for public safety, and security concerns. The area in which adult use cannabis dispensaries are prohibited is bounded by the parcels adjacent to the north side of Division Street to the north, Lake Michigan to the east, the parcels adjacent to the south side of Van Buren Street to the south, the South Branch of the Chicago River to the west and the parcels adjacent to the west side of State Street to the west when north of the Main Branch of the Chicago River. The areas described in Section 17-7-0562 of this Code define the Cannabis Zone Districts in which adult use cannabis dispensaries may be established.

##### 17-7-0562 Boundaries;

The Cannabis Zone Districts are defined and identified, as follows:

*(Omitted text unaffected by this ordinance)*

Central District is bounded by Division Street to the north, Lake Michigan to the east. Interstate 55 to the southland extended east to Lake Michigan) and Interstate 90/94 to the west; provided, however, that adult use cannabis dispensaries shall not be allowed within the area bounded by the parcels adjacent to the south side of Division Street to the north, Lake Michigan to the east, the parcels adjacent to the south side of Van Buren Street to the south, the South Branch of the Chicago River to the west and the parcels adjacent to the west side of State Street to the west when north of the Main Branch of the Chicago River.

*(Omitted text unaffected by this ordinance)*

SECTION 2. Section 17-7-0560 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting Figure 17-7-0560, and replacing it with a new Figure 17-7-0560, as follows:

**Figure 17-7-0560**

(note: this map is provided for illustrative purpose only: Cannabis Zone District boundaries may be amended only through text amendment procedures)

SECTION 3. Section 17-9-0129 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language stricken and inserting the language underlined, as follows:

**17-9-0129 Cannabis business establishments.**

Cannabis" business establishments shall comply with the following standards:

*(Omitted text unaffected by this ordinance)*

4. On or after January 1, 2020, no more than seven adult use cannabis dispensary special uses may be established in each district identified on the Cannabis Zone Districts map (Figure 17-7-0560) and in Section 17-7-0562 of this Code. On or after May 1, 2020, the number of adult use cannabis dispensary special uses may be increased to no more than 14 in any Cannabis Zone District. On or after January 1, 2021, the Commissioner of the Department of Planning and Development is authorized to present to the City Council recommendations for adjustments to the boundaries and terms of the adult use cannabis dispensary exclusion zone specified in ~~Section 17-7-6'564~~, the boundaries of the Cannabis Zone Districts or the number of adult use cannabis dispensary special uses. Before making such recommendations, the Commissioner shall conduct a land use impact evaluation study which must assess: (i) ~~the boundaries and terms of the adult use cannabis dispensary exclusion zone~~; (ii) the boundaries of the Cannabis Zone Districts; and (iii) the impact of adult use cannabis dispensaries on the neighborhood adjacent, to such uses through the, evaluation of relevant social, economic and demographic information, including, but not limited to, population, crime, property values, traffic patterns, tourism and commerce. The Commissioner shall post such land use impact evaluation study on the Department's publicly accessible website. Same site located adult use cannabis dispensaries established pursuant to Section 17-9-0129.3 of this Code; or the retail sales of cannabis products established pursuant to Section 17-9-0129.2 of this Code, shall be included in counting towards the caps provided in this Section.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.