

# **SHERBURNE COUNTY ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE REGULATION AND REGISTRATION OF CANNABIS RETAIL BUSINESSES AND LOWER-POTENCY HEMP EDIBLE RETAIL BUSINESSES.**

**ORD - 280**

Notice of Enactment: The Sherburne County Board of Commissioners hereby ordains an ordinance relating to the regulation and registration of cannabis retail businesses and lower-potency hemp edible (LPHE) retail businesses. The Ordinance identifies the findings, purpose, authority, and jurisdiction for regulating cannabis and LPHE retail businesses. The County Auditor-Treasurer will administer and enforce the Ordinance in coordination with public health and law enforcement agencies. The Ordinance sets forth definitions; requirements for cannabis and LPHE retailers including advertising, price discounting, and access; and buffer distances and hours of operation for cannabis retailers. It requires all cannabis and LPHE retailers to register with the County for those townships and cities that delegate that authority to the County. It sets a limit on the number of cannabis retailers in the County. For cannabis and LPHE retailers it sets forth the process for registration, renewals, suspensions, annual age and ordinance compliance checks, and other registration matters. It prohibits any sale by a cannabis or LPHE retailer to a customer or patient without a valid registration and a state license, and authorizes a civil penalty with opportunity for an administrative hearing. It sets out civil remedies and civil or criminal penalties. This Ordinance was effective the date of passage on the 19th of November 2024. This is a summary of the Ordinance. The full Ordinance is on file with the Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer, 13880 Business Center Drive, Elk River, MN 55330 (M-F; 8-4:30).

This Ordinance was passed by the Sherburne County Board of Commissioners on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024, and duly filed with the Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer.

Sherburne County Board of  
Commissioners

Gregg Felber,

Sherburne County Board Chair

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