

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE SUBMITTAL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following is the text a proposed ordinance which was received for the first reading by the Lake Charter Township Board of Trustees at its regular meeting held on February 19, 2019.

Section 1. Marijuana Establishments Prohibited. All marijuana establishments as defined in the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act, being Initiated Law 1 of 2018, et. seq., as may be amended, are hereby prohibited within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Township.

Section 2. Violations and Penalties.

- A.** Any person who disobeys, neglects, or refuses to comply with any provision of this ordinance, or who causes, allows, or consents to any such violation shall be deemed to have violated this ordinance. A violation of this ordinance shall be deemed a nuisance *per se*.
- B.** A violation of this ordinance is a municipal civil infraction, for which the fine shall not be less than \$100 nor more than \$500, in the discretion of the Court. The foregoing sanctions shall in addition to the rights of the Township to proceed at law or equity with any other appropriate and proper remedies. To the extent permitted by law, violator shall also pay all of the Township's costs, including actual attorney fees.
- C.** Each day any violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 3. Publication. Within seven (7) days of its adoption, this Ordinance or a summary thereof, as required by law, shall be published by the Township Clerk in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its publication, or a publication of a summary thereof, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.

The proposed Ordinance is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk at the address set forth below and has also been posted on the Township's website: www.lake-township.org. The Ordinance will be considered for adoption by the Township Board at its next regular meeting to be held at the Lake Charter Township Hall on March 19, 2019, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Lake Charter Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the hearing, to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon three (3) days' notice to the Township Clerk. If you require such aids or services and plan to attend this meeting, please contact the Township.

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