

**Introductory Local Law
Village of Highland Falls, County of Orange**

BE IT ENACTED by the Village of Highland Falls Board of Trustees a local law adopted pursuant to Cannabis Law § 131 opting out of licensing and establishing retail cannabis dispensaries and on-site cannabis consumption establishments within the Village of Highland Falls.

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to opt the Village of Highland Falls out of hosting retail cannabis dispensaries and/or on-site cannabis consumption establishments within its boundaries.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to Cannabis Law § 131, which expressly authorizes cities and villages to opt-out of allowing retail cannabis dispensaries and/or on-site cannabis consumption establishments to locate and operate within their boundaries.

Section 3. Local Cannabis Retail Dispensary and On-Site Consumption Opt-Out

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Highland Falls, County of Orange, hereby opts-out of licensing and establishing cannabis retail dispensaries and cannabis on-site consumption establishments within its boundaries.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State. Pursuant to Cannabis Law § 131, this local law is subject to a permissive referendum and thus may not be filed with the Secretary of State until the applicable time period has elapsed to file a petition or a referendum has been conducted approving this local law.