July

July 1

Two Tennessee Republican Lawmakers have introduced the Tennessee Responsible Use of Medicinal Plants (or TRUMP) act. The bill would expand medical research into treatments with cannabis and cannabis extracts.

Compliance regulations in **California** went into effect on July 1st, placing stricter rules on testing, packaging, and labeling of products.

A law (H.511) legalizing adult-use marijuana in **Vermont** took effect Sunday, July 1.

Massachusetts reached its July 1 deadline to begin recreational sales.

July 8

State Question 788 was approved June 26 - The **Oklahoma** State Department of Health released a draft of proposed rules on July 8 which included a ban of all smokable forms of cannabis, requiring pharmacists to be present in dispensaries as a part of the approval process, and limits to the number of dispensaries to 50.

- 7/9 President of the Oklahoma State Medical Association criticized the draft.
- 7/10 Oklahoma Board of Health voted to ban smokable marijuana products and require pharmacists be present in dispensaries.
- 7/12 Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin accepted the regulations.
Two lawsuits have been filed against the state of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Department of Health, including one by an organization sponsoring two proposed ballot initiatives for the 2018 ballot in Oklahoma:

- State Question 796
- State Question 797

July 25

A group of bipartisan lawmakers has introduced the **Marijuana Data Collection Act (MDCA)**, which calls upon the National Academy of Sciences to collect and synthesize relevant data and create a formal federal report on the cannabis industry in each state.

July 27

Oklahoma lawmakers proposed new emergency rules that were almost immediately criticized by constituents. The changes came officially after Oklahoma Attorney General Mike Hunter Declared the state Board of Health overstepped its bounds. In the same week, the state also made MMJ business applications available online.