

CASE NO.: SC19-2116

In the Supreme Court of Florida

ADVISORY OPINION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
RE: ADULT USE OF MARIJUANA

**MAKE IT LEGAL, FLORIDA'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE SPONSOR'S BRIEF**

Make It Legal, Florida, the sponsor of the proposed constitutional amendment at issue in this proceeding, respectfully requests a brief extension of time to file its answer brief in support of the proposed amendment from Thursday, January 16, 2020 until Monday, January 20, 2020, and a corresponding extension to file reply briefs through Monday, January 27, 2020.

1. On January 6, 2020, several opponent groups (collectively, "Opponents") filed five separate initial briefs seeking to remove the proposed amendment from the 2020 ballot.

2. This Court's current schedule requires Make it Legal, Florida and any other proponents of the proposed amendment to file their answer briefs ten days

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later, by January 16, 2020. The deadline for Opponents' reply briefs is currently set for January 23, 2020.

3. The undersigned lead counsel for Make It Legal, Florida, is currently preparing for oral argument in a consolidated case pending before the First District Court of Appeal, *State of Florida, Agency for Health Care Administration, et al., v. Best Care Assurance, LLC*, Consolidated Case Nos. 1D19-326, 1D19-355 (Fla. 1st DCA 2019). Oral argument is set for January 15, 2020. The undersigned is similarly assisting his law partner with preparations for oral argument in a companion case set for the same day, *Best Care Assurance, LLC v. State of Florida, Agency for Health Care Administration, et al.*, Case No. 1D19-838 (Fla. 1st DCA 2019).

4. The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a brief extension of time in order to fully fulfill his duties to his clients in both the instant case and the First District cases.

5. A brief extension to January 20, 2020 would allow the undersigned counsel to complete preparations for oral argument and also finalize Make It Legal, Florida's answer brief, which will respond to five separate opposition briefs.

6. Make It Legal, Florida therefore seeks this extension for good cause, and not for purposes of delay.

7. Make It Legal, Florida, also requests a corresponding extension to January 27, 2020 for the Opponents to file reply briefs. The requested extensions requested should not require an extension of the oral argument schedule, which is currently set for the week of February 3–7, 2020. Accordingly, no party will be prejudiced by the requested extension.

8. Opponents do not oppose the relief sought in this motion.

WHEREFORE, sponsor Make It Legal, Florida respectfully requests a brief extension to Monday, January 20, 2020 to file its answer brief in support of the proposed Amendment, and a corresponding extension to January 27, 2020, for reply briefs.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, on January 13, 2020, the foregoing for motion for extension of time was filed through the Florida Courts e-Filing Portal, which will furnish a copy by email to the individuals identified on the Service List that follows.

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