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Pennsylvania Extends Deadline for Charitable Organization Registrations During COVID-19 Emergency

The Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act requires organizations soliciting charitable contributions from Pennsylvania residents to register with the Department of State's Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations, unless excluded or exempted from the Act. Charitable organizations must annually renew such registration. The renewal date is based on the charity's fiscal year end, with the renewal of each registration required to be postmarked by the 15th day of the 11th month following the close of the organization's fiscal year. No charitable organization may solicit contributions or have contributions solicited on its behalf before approval of its registration statement by the Bureau.

Due to the COVID-19 emergency, the Department of State has requested – and the Governor has granted – that the following charitable organization registration renewal deadlines which fall between July 15, 2020, and September 15, 2020, be extended for three months, with the renewal of each registration required to be postmarked by the 15th day of the 14th month following the close of the organization's fiscal year. The corresponding registrations of these charitable organizations will be extended by three months as well. The charitable organization registrations that are set to expire during that time frame are set forth below.

*Where the 15th falls on a weekend, registration is due the next business day as indicated.

Charitable organization fiscal year end	Charitable organization renewal date and registration expiration	Registration and renewal deadline extended to
August 31, 2019	July 15, 2020	October 15, 2020
September 30, 2019	August 17, 2020*	November 16, 2020*
October 31, 2019	September 15, 2020	December 15, 2020