

Human Resources Legislative Update

Provincial *Cannabis Act*, *Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017* Receives Royal Assent

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On December 12, 2017, [Bill 174, *Cannabis, Smoke-Free Ontario and Road Safety Statute Law Amendment Act, 2017*](#) received Royal Assent.

[As we previously reported](#), Bill 174 is omnibus legislation enacting the *Cannabis Act, 2017* and the *Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation Act, 2017* which will regulate the cultivation, sale, distribution and consumption of cannabis in Ontario. It also enacts the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017* and makes amendments to the *Highway Traffic Act* relating to impairment by cannabis and road safety. Among other things, the Bill provides the provincial framework in support of the federal Bill C-45, *Cannabis Act*.

Bill 174 should be consulted for coming into force information.