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Pennsylvania Extends Renewal Dates for Charitable Organizations During Coronavirus 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 (BCCO), unless excluded or exempted from the Act. Charitable organizations must annually renew their 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 BCCO.

Due to the COVID-19 emergency, the following charitable organization registration renewal deadlines, which fall between April 30, 2020, and July 31, 2020, are 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.

Charitable organization fiscal year end	Charitable organization renewal date and registration expiration	Requesting extension of deadline and registration to
May 31, 2019	April 15, 2020	July 15, 2020
June 30, 2019	May 15, 2020	August 17, 2020*
July 31, 2019	June 15, 2020	September 15, 2020

* If the renewal due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the actual date will be the next business day. August 15, 2020, is a Saturday. Therefore, the renewal date is extended to Monday, August 17, 2020.