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## **Marijuana Action Alert**



### **Quinn refused to select medical marijuana businesses**

Columnist Pat Gauen wonders whether Quinn factored his predecessor into the decision to pass on medical marijuana. "Quinn-hardly perfect, but the first Illinois governor in 16 years to leave office without a prosecutor's target on his back-can go saying that he left his last political plum on the tree to ripen." [Read more.](#)

### **Quinn staff's picks for medical pot businesses released**

The evening before Rauner took office, Quinn's staff was still passing around electronic drafts of a press release that would have announced the awarding of 12 cultivation center licenses. But Quinn left office without taking action.

Gov. Bruce Rauner's office released the documents from the prior administration Sunday in response to a Freedom of Information Act request. They list the companies recommended by the Department of Agriculture to operate 21 medical marijuana farms and those recommended by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to operate 56 medical marijuana dispensaries. [Read more.](#)

Governor Rauner's office wouldn't say whether the new governor would follow through and issue licenses recommended by his predecessor's staff. "The governor's office will conduct a thorough legal review of the process used by the Quinn administration and refer our findings to the attorney general's office," Rauner spokeswoman Catherine Kelly said. "No licenses will be granted until this process is thoroughly reviewed." [Read more.](#)

### **Documents obtained about medical marijuana sites**

The documents, obtained by the AP and other news organizations in response to Freedom of Information Act requests, also indicate that officials from the administration of former Gov. Pat Quinn disqualified an application for a medical-marijuana dispensary in Springfield that would be operated by investors connected with former Quinn chief of staff Jack Lavin. [Read more.](#)

### **\$1 million in marijuana found in car in Chicago**

Chicago police found 386 pounds of marijuana inside a vehicle and seized the marijuana valued

over \$1 million after stopping a man on the Northwest Side. [Read more.](#)

### Parents find 'Just say NO' talk tougher as pot becomes more mainstream

With the legalization of medical and recreational marijuana, parents should actively discourage their kids from using marijuana, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. [Read more.](#)

### Marijuana-Related Calls to Poison Control Centers in Colorado and Washington Rise

Calls regarding young children accidentally eating marijuana edibles nearly doubled in both states. In 2014, Washington poison centers received 48 calls involving children 12 and under, while Colorado received 45 calls involving children 8 and under. [Read more.](#)

### Attorney General Nominee Lynch Says She Does Not Support Legalizing Marijuana

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## FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

- E-mail Governor Rauner and encourage him to let the medical marijuana pilot program sunset to prevent harm and youth addiction. [Click here to e-mail the Governor.](#)
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