

Colorado proposes edible pot ban, then retreats

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In this Sept. 26, 2014 file photo, smaller-dose pot-infused cookies, called the Rookie Cookie, sit on the packaging table at The Growing Kitchen, in Boulder. Colorado health officials want to ban many edible forms of marijuana, including brownies, cookies and most candies, limiting sales of pot-infused food to lozenges and some liquids. (AP Photo/Brennan Linsley,File)

Colorado health authorities suggested banning many edible forms of marijuana, including brownies, cookies and most candies. Then the officials quickly backtracked after the suggestion went public.

Health officials said Monday that they made the recommendation in response to a bill ordering edible pot products to be marked, colored or stamped so that they can be identified when out of the package.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment suggested limiting edible pot on shelves to hard lozenges and tinctures, which are a form of liquid pot that can be added to foods and drinks.

The agency backtracked on its [suggestion](#) after a regulatory workgroup raised questions about the legality of such a ban. Colorado's 2012 marijuana-legalization measure says retail pot is legal in all forms.

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