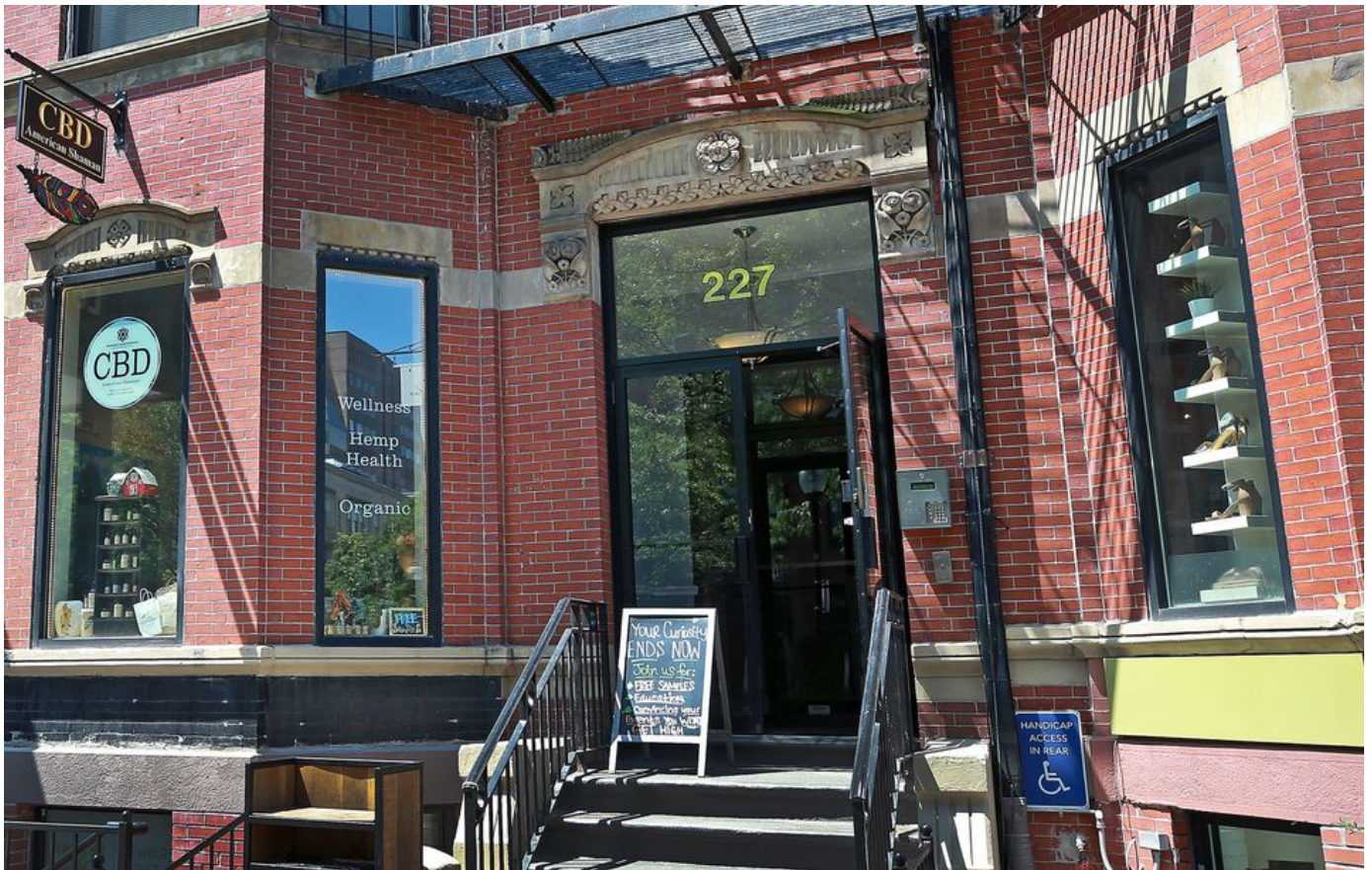


Massachusetts says hemp-derived CBD is illegal — but CBD stores are still everywhere

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The exterior of the American Shaman CBD shop on Newbury Street. (JIM DAVIS/GLOBE STAFF)

Across Massachusetts, customers can find CBD everywhere, from the small shops selling CBD up and down Newbury Street to the products lining the shelves at national stores like Bed Bath & Beyond and Sephora.

CBD has become so common that you can even buy gummies in the small corner store in the lobby of the office building that houses the Boston Globe.

The popularity of cannabidiol, which can be extracted from marijuana or hemp — two different varieties of the cannabis plant — has prompted questions and confusion from consumers who want to make sure their products are safe, legal, and reliable.

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