Massachusetts Legislature Negotiating Extending the 2019-2020 Session Beyond July 31st

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Governor Charlie Baker just announced he is extending **COVID-19 Order No. 13** that mandates the closure of non-essential businesses. This order, initially set to expire on April 7th, was extended to Monday, May 4th. This order will officially take effect tomorrow, April 1st at noon. Click here for **guidance** on what businesses are considered "essential", and here for **FAQs** issued by the Baker Administration.

Your ML Strategies professionals continue to monitor all developments related to the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and are ready to assist you during this uncertain time.

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