

Coronavirus Price Gouging “Expiration” Dates

Outlined below are dates wherein state laws restricting price increases following the declaration of a state of emergency are currently slated to be lifted. As previously stated, many Governors are constrained in their ability to extend states of emergency, and by extension, these price gouging laws indefinitely. As such, these restrictions are likely to be renewed beyond the dates outlined.

This document is provided for informational purposes only. It is not intended to be nor should it be construed as legal advice. The SSA strongly recommends that all operators exercise caution before instituting a price increase during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic as rules and restrictions impacting pricing are being updated and amended frequently. The SSA strongly urges consultation with your legal counsel during this process.

State	Expiration Date
Alabama	In effect until at least November 8, 2020 (likely to be extended beyond that date).
Alaska	No price gouging law in effect at the state level. However, the Attorney General is pursuing price gouging claims under the <i>Unfair Trade Practices Act</i> , which remains in effect indefinitely.
Arizona	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.
Arkansas	In effect until at least December 13, 2020 (likely to be extended beyond that date).
California	In effect until at least March 4, 2021 (maybe extended).
Colorado	Although Colorado does not have a specific price gouging law, taking advantage of a state of emergency by unreasonably increasing the prices of essential goods and services may constitute unfair and unconscionable business acts and practices under the <i>Colorado Consumer Protection Act</i> . Under that Act, the Attorney General is authorized to file suit against price gougers and may seek damages, injunctive relief, restraining orders, restitution, and civil penalties. It remains in effect indefinitely. Additionally, the state legislature is considering a price gouging statute.
Connecticut	In effect until at least February 9, 2021 (likely to be extended beyond that date).
Delaware	In effect until further notice.
Florida	In effect until at least November 4, 2020 (likely to be extended beyond that date).

Georgia	In effect until November 9, 2020 (09.30.20.01) (likely to be extended beyond that date).
Hawaii	In effect until at least November 30, 2020 (likely to be extended beyond that date).
Idaho	Only applicable to fuel or food, pharmaceuticals, or water for human consumption sold at an exorbitant or excessive price.
Illinois	Price gouging law is only applicable to gas and fuel. However, the Attorney General announced the state will pursue price gouging claims under the <i>Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act</i> , which remains in effect indefinitely.
Indiana	Statute only covers sale of fuel. However, Governor issued an order related to COVID-19, encouraging citizens who feel as though they have been subjected to excess prices for consumer goods to contact the Indiana Attorney General.
Iowa	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
Kansas	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
Kentucky	In effect until further notice.
Louisiana	In effect until at least November 18, 2020.
Maine	Appears to no longer be in effect. Operators should consult with their legal counsel before any price modifications are made.
Maryland	In effect until at least April 30, 2021.
Massachusetts	In effect until further notice.
Michigan	The consumer protection law remains in effect indefinitely.
Minnesota	In effect until at least November 12, 2020.
Mississippi	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
Missouri	In effect until December 30, 2020.
Montana	No price gouging law in effect at the state level, but consumer protection laws are in effect indefinitely.
Nebraska	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.

Nevada	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.
New Hampshire	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.
New Jersey	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
New Mexico	No price going law in effect at the state level.
New York	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
North Carolina	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
North Dakota	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.
Ohio	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.
Oklahoma	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
Oregon	In effect indefinitely.
Pennsylvania	In effect until at least November 30, 2020.
Rhode Island	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
South Carolina	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
South Dakota	There is no price gouging law in effect.
Tennessee	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
Texas	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President's emergency declaration. The President

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Utah	In effect until further notice.
Vermont	Vermont’s price gouging law is specific only to sales of petroleum products. However, the Vermont Attorney General is pursuing claims under the state’s <i>Consumer Protection Act</i> , which remains in effective indefinitely.
Virginia	In effect until further notice.
Washington	No specific price gouging law is in effect. However, Attorney General launched an awareness campaign encouraging Washingtonians to report price gouging in three easy steps: “See It, Snap It, Send It.” Ferguson is encouraging anyone who sees price gouging to snap a photo or take a screenshot, and then include the image with the complaint they file at the website.
West Virginia	In effect until further notice. The law remains in effect indefinitely because it is based upon the President’s emergency declaration. The President has not indicated when that declaration will be lifted.
Wisconsin	In effect until further notice.
Wyoming	No price gouging law in effect at the state level.