

Legalize Now!

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Kentucky needs revenue and our people need good jobs. How do you justify not passing legislation to legalize and regulate the marijuana industry here in Kentucky?

Those who would continue prohibition claim that having a medical marijuana program is a sham and anyone can get a card and access to marijuana any time they want. One antimarijuana speaker at a forum I attended, claimed he did just that and it was easy. Never mind that he broke California law by doing that, he was proving how easy access to marijuana is there.

However that means that Californians have had access to marijuana since 1996, twenty years! Someone must explain why absolutely none of the terrible things that have been predicted would happen if the citizens have access to marijuana have happened.

In Colorado which has both medical and recreational legalization they have created a multimillion dollar industry with 21,000 jobs and collecting 74 million in revenue. The economic activity surrounding this market is in the hundreds of millions of dollars. And as in California none of the predicted harms we have been told for 78 years by the government would happen have happened! Matter of fact the Journal of the American Medical Association published an extensive report showing a 25% drop in opioid drug overdose deaths that grows to 33% by the sixth year. Another Study by the Cato Institute showed a 5% drop in suicides. Simply put the numbers show around 285 people would not be dead if we had passed a medical bill last year.

Exactly how do you justify continuing marijuana prohibition in Kentucky?

We must pass a marijuana legalization bill this session. Real lives depend on it!