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HEADLINE NEWS

More than 700 calls for children ingesting marijuana edibles in 2017 in US, up from 23 in 2016

https://fox6now.com/2019/04/21/more-than-700-calls-for-children-ingesting-marijuana-edibles-in-2017-in-us-up-from-23-in-2016/

ATLANTA — Marijuana edibles are becoming a growing issue, and there is especially a concern about children getting their hands on them. Calls to poison control officials are up nationwide.

They're taking up more and more space inside the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's crime lab. The tainted treats come in many varieties, including Rice Krispie treats, gummy candies, brownies and Goldfish crackers.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation actually had to get an extra freezer just to accommodate all of the food samples waiting for testing that are suspected of containing THC, the active ingredient in marijuana.

Nelly Miles, GBI spokesperson, estimated the department tested more than 400 samples of edibles since April 2016.

"The main concern is that a lot of times, these types of cases are showing up in our school systems," Miles said.

The effects on children can be serious — everything from hallucinations, to paranoia, to vomiting.

"We have found, as the marijuana laws have changed, which includes legalization of marijuana in other states, we have seen more of these types of cases," Miles said.

Georgia Poison Center Director Dr. Gaylord Lopez said their phones have been ringing more — with panicked parents of children who accidentally ingested laced cookies or candy on the other line.

In Georgia, there were seven calls to the Georgia Poison Center concerning marijuana edibles in 2017. That number jumped to 42 in 2018.

Nationwide, it increased from 23 in 2016 to more than 700 in 2017.

"This is what is going to be attractive to a younger generation, and this is something that we have to worry about," said Miles.

Children aren't the only concern. Edibles can cause problems for adults because it can take them as long as an hour to kick in. After not feeling the effects right away, it could cause them to eat more — and then the effects hit them all at once.

Also, if someone has underlying medical issues, it can be even more of a problem.

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You've probably heard about hemp-derived cannabidiol (CBD) products as a cure or aid for many conditions in both humans and pets, and we get lots of questions about them at our clinic. While testing on the safety and effectiveness of these products is now ongoing, you should be aware that pet insurance companies are reporting a 300% increase in the number of claims being submitted for pets made sick by CBD and hemp substances.

While the CBD product you purchase for your pet may contain little or none of the intoxicating agent tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), many CBD-advertised products for humans may still contain THC, **which is highly toxic to pets**. To prevent poisoning your animal companions, it is best to keep all marijuana and hemp-derived products locked away. This is particularly important when it comes to edibles.

ACTION ALERT

PAST ACTION ALERTS & WHAT TO EXPECT LISTED AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER

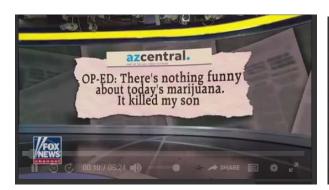
HERE IS WHAT TO EXPECT LIVING NEXT TO A SO-CALLED COMMERCIAL POT GROW

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OPINIONS

There's nothing funny about today's highly potent marijuana. It killed my son.

Modern **medical marijuana** is much more potent than your father's pot brownies of the 1970s, and that potency is taking a toll on mental health.





https://video.foxnews.com/v/6030633341001/#sp=show-clips

momsstrong.org



https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2019/04/28/medical-marijuana-arizona-supreme-court-thc-potency-column/3587406002/

There's nothing funny about today's highly potent marijuana. It killed my son.

Sally Schindel, Opinion contributor Published 6:00 a.m. ET April 28, 2019 | Updated 1:35 p.m. ET April 28, 2019

As attorneys argued over a section of an Arizona <u>law that differentiates between marijuana and cannabis</u>, the state's Supreme Court justices joked about baking pot brownies in their kitchens.

They clearly do not understand how the marijuana industry has irresponsibly manipulated pot into dangerously high levels of potency.

My son could explain it to them. Or he could if he were still with us.

"I want to die," he wrote before hanging himself at the age of 31. "My soul is already dead. Marijuana killed my soul + ruined my brain."

Andy wanted to quit. He couldn't

Andy had been the class clown. He made parties come alive. He helped friends through tough times and served with the Army's 82nd Airborne Division in Iraq.

Then he became addicted to pot, using a medical marijuana card that enabled him to buy enough pot for up to 10 joints a day. That would keep anyone baked all day. He was hospitalized in five mental health hospitals and did two stints of court-ordered mental health treatment.



Andy Zorn served with the Army's 82nd Airborne Division in Iraq. (Photo: courtesy of Sally Schindel)

He told me that to live, he needed to quit marijuana. He just couldn't do it.

The marijuana industry doesn't like to acknowledge people like my son, dismissing his case as an aberration. But he is not alone, and new research shows the toll marijuana takes.

A new study shows he's not alone

The peer-reviewed medical journal The Lancet last month published a major study that found people who use high-potency marijuana daily are <u>five times more likely</u> to develop psychosis than those who never partake. The researchers compared data for more than 2,100 people in multiple countries.

Read more commentary:

Marijuana needs warning labels like tobacco for associated mental, physical health risks

Mental illness in the family raises marijuana risks. Parents, please talk to your teens.

Cannabis industry shouldn't expand until we fix marijuana's racial inequities, injustices

They defined "high potency" as <u>at least 10% tetrahydrocannabinol</u>, the psychoactive ingredient in pot. Ten percent isn't all that high. Arizona's medical dispensaries tout cannabis products — the subject of the recent Supreme Court hearings — with THC up to 90%. And modern weed usually contains <u>THC levels of 18% to 30%</u> — more than double the levels that were common in buds from the 1980s.

The researchers concluded that up to half of first-episode psychosis cases could be prevented if high-potency marijuana were not available.

Marijuana use is on the rise among US workers, a study from Quest Diagnostics found, increasing by 16% since 2014. Wochit, Wochit

This is what Arizona's high court justices missed when they joked about baking marijuana brownies. The low-potency marijuana of their formative years is a relic of history.

Profit-seeking companies have pushed THC levels higher and higher. They have done this primarily by extracting THC from the leafy plant and flowers to create new, high-potency products they call shatter, wax or hash.

This isn't your father's pot brownie

Increased potency means higher highs, necessary to keep customers coming back for more. They are addicted, just like my son was.

And many, like my son, develop psychotic disorders. A happy-go-lucky personality is sucked into a black hole of despair. A life is lost.

Maybe it's easy for the marijuana industry to dismiss my son's suicide. But it can't ignore The Lancet study, which notes that "our findings are consistent with previous epidemiological and experimental evidence suggesting that the use of cannabis with a <u>high concentration of THC</u> has more harmful effects on mental health than does use of weaker forms."

Today's marijuana has as much similarity to the pot brownies of the 1970s as a smartphone does to a Texas Instruments calculator. Today's marijuana is incredibly potent, powerful enough to destroy lives.

It's not something to laugh about.

Sally Schindel lives in Prescott. She is co-founder of <u>MomsStrong.org</u> and a member of the Marijuana Victims Alliance. This column originally appeared in The Arizona Republic.

QUOTES

Winston Churchill "Even though you cannot see the victory, you must stay in the fight until those who are not involved come to their senses."

Shirley Morgan "A victory isn't about winners and losers, but rather about protecting something that your soul has hoped for and that your faith believes in. We fight for Victory, because it is the right thing to do."

Dianne Berlin "Legalizing something harmful never removed the harm. It just changes the legal consequences usually for those who promote, produce or in other ways profit financially from the "legalized" substance or activity with little to no regard for the negative impact on individuals or society-at-large. "

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Half Of Americans Think The Smell Of Weed In Public Is A Real Problem

BuzzFeed News

Attitudes in Canada, which **legalized cannabis** nationwide last fall, are even **more** severe, where three in five people think the smell **of** weed in pubic is ...



Patrick Schwarzenegger Reveals Why He Stopped Smoking Weed

https://www.aucklandmagazine.com/patrick-schwarzenegger-reveals-why-he-stopped-smoking-weed/



Actor Patrick Schwarzenegger revealed he used to smoke weed, but hasn't in four years. He claims Arnold Shwarzenegger encouraged him to stop in an Instagram post shared Sunday, according to Entertainment Tonight. The actor recalled showing up to Easter Sunday high four years ago.

Patrick said his dad questioned why he would want to show up high and he recalled saying it was more fun to be high. Arnold responded, "How much more fun do you need to have, life is so good. I'm high on life. I never want anything that would take me out of my current life. Being high on life is better then [sic] anything else."

Since then, Patrick says he has stopped smoking weed and that he is just "high on life now."

Arnold has addressed smoking weed in the past after he famously smoked a joint in the documentary "Pumping Iron."

"I did smoke a joint and I did inhale. The bottom line is that's what it was in the '70s, that's what I did. I have never touched it since," he told CBS News in 2002. "I lived a certain life, I want everyone to know that's the life I lived. As you grow up and as you become more mature, those things change. The only one that's perfect is God."

As legal pot farms expand, so do air pollution worries ...

https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2019/01/legal-pot-farms-expand-so...
Jan 24, 2019 · **As legal pot farms expand**, **so do** air **pollution worries**. By Jason Plautz Jan. 24, 2019 , 2:20 PM. BOULDER, COLORADO—Atmospheric scientist William Vizuete grew his dozen **pot** ...

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Occupational health and safety in cannabis production: an ...

https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/10773525.2018.1517234

workplace **exposure** in **hemp** facilities until a cannabis workplace **exposure** standard is developed, and that **exposure** to medicinal cannabis containing THC are kept as low as reasonably practicable. An industry partnership be established for the development of an Australian health and safety guideline for the production of medicinal cannabis and **hemp**.

Meet the gene-edited bacteria that could make cannabis plants obsolete

https://www.digitaltrends.com/cool-tech/uc-berkeley-brewing-cannabis-like-beer/

Federal Marijuana legalization is close suggests canopy acreage deal

https://www.forbes.com/sites/mikeadams/2019/04/23/federal-marijuana-legalization-is-close-suggests-canopy-acreage-deal/amp/

The 'Wild West' of Weed Is Dying Out. Here's What's Replacing It

https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/neav4z/how-legal-cannabis-has-changed-the-weed-industry

Marijuana Legalization Not Linked To Increased Traffic Deaths, Study Finds

Marijuana Moment

"This finding means that **the legalization of marijuana** for both **medical** and recreational purposes is not associated with either a reduction or increase ...

Bill to Allow Medical Marijuana Use in Public Housing Introduced in Congress

High Times (blog)

A bill that would permit the use of **medical marijuana** by residents of public housing in states with legal **medicinal cannabis** programs was introduced ...

Better Buy: Aurora Cannabis vs. Scotts Miracle-Gro

Nasdag

Aurora **Cannabis**' revenue continues to soar thanks to the Canadian ... The global **medical cannabis** market outside **of** Canada could exceed \$50 billion. ... it operates are only in the early stages with their **legal marijuana** markets.



Joe Biden has a problem with pot

When it comes to pot in the Democratic Presidential Primary, Joe Biden is the odd man out

https://www.salon.com/2019/04/25/when-it-comes-to-pot-in-the-democratic-presidential-primary-joe-biden-is-the-odd-man-

out partner/?fbclid=IwAR1TmX 1hvbLNGYyIUFBjNbDAXFEqHUu27DJfAF2zQ8rEzQMHSyqtKRGZ78

HEMP & CBD

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USDA Accepting Applications For Hemp Intellectual Property Protection

Marijuana Moment

The Plant Variety Protection Office will start accepting applications of ... to come out of the federal legalization of industrial hemp through the 2018 Farm Bill. ... If you rely on our cannabis advocacy journalism to stay informed, please ...

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced on Wednesday that hemp cultivators can officially apply for intellectual property protection for seed-propagated hemp, making the newly legal crop part of an existing program.

The move will cover certain hemp types for 20 years, allowing farmers to prohibit others from marketing their variety of the plant.

USDA's Plant Variety Protection Office "provides intellectual property protection to breeders of new varieties of seeds and tubers," the department said in a bulletin. "Certificate owners have rights to exclude others from marketing and selling their varieties, manage the use of their varieties by other breeders, and enjoy legal protection of their work."

Why is South Dakota's Governor Still Against Legalizing Industrial Hemp?

https://hightimes.com/news/politics/why-south-dakotas-governor-still-against-legalizing-industrial-hemp/

Major hemp bill passes Texas House, marijuana debate slated for later this week

Dallas News

House Bill 1325 would also **legalize** certain hemp-derived products, such as ... Hemp and **marijuana** both come from the **cannabis** plant family. ... for medical purposes, and would also expand what kinds **of marijuana** they could use.

Texas House votes to legalize hemp, CBD oil, farming of industrial hemp

 $\underline{https://www.click2houston.com/news/texas/texas-house-votes-to-legalize-hemp-cbd-oil-farming-of-industrial-hemp}\\$

CBD-Hemp extracted oil

Louisiana's Cajun Cannabis CBD Store Raided, Owner Facing Felony Charges

https://hightimes.com/news/louisianas-cajun-cannabis-cbd-store-raided-owner-facing-felony-charges/

CBD oil confiscations at Dallas airport have 'skyrocketed,' official says — and passengers may be arrested

Passing through the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport could be a real buzzkill for CBD enthusiasts.

https://apple.news/AZIsaSoRCR3u E0OUBov9hw



These hemp farmers are making a killing on the CBD industry

https://www.cnn.com/2019/04/09/success/hemp-farmer/index.html

University study shows 70% of CBD oils are fake...

Please see the message below from our sponsor *New Summit Nutritionals*. They have very important information to share with you today about CBD supplements and their potential pain-management, relaxation and sleep benefits.

Everyone is in a frenzy over CBD—and no wonder. Have you seen the stories?

But if your CBD is made in oil form... you must know about a **shocking result** from the University of Pennsylvania...

It reveals 70% of CBD oils are FRAUDS.

That's right—what you see on the label for 7 out of 10 CBD oils—is NOT what's inside the bottle.

If you've tried CBD and it didn't do anything for you, this could be why!

But there is something you can do: skip the oils altogether, and try the revolutionary new form of CBD that guarantees you'll feel the powerful effects.

It's safe, organically grown in America, and is verified to contain everything it says it does.

With these shocking findings just now breaking, this new limited form of CBD is going to run out of supply fast. So don't wait, <u>click here to see what I'm talking about</u> and secure your supply while you can.



Sincerely,

Nicole Hansen

Director for New Summit Nutritionals

P.S. I forgot to mention—this new form completely loses the stink associated with most oils! No grassy taste, no foul odor... and it's guaranteed to contain everything you want. Don't wait—discover this revolutionary form of CBD for yourself. Click here to learn more while it's still available.

CONTACT YOUR STATE SENATORS TO LET THEM KNOW

THE IMPACT THAT HEMP IS HAVING IN THOSE STATES WHO ARE DOING STATE STUDY PROGRAMS. Call Senator Mitch McConnell's office to let him know what impacts Hemp is having she he has been the lead pusher of the legalization of Hemp.

- 317 Russell Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC 20510
- 202-224-2541 <u>www.mcconnel.senate.gov</u>

See testimony from rural Oregon neighbors on the impacts that Hemp is having to public health and quality of life.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=rGlQZk3jPQ8 Timeframe 15:38





UNITED STATES NEWS

Red Medical Marijuana State and Marijuana Legalized

Green Still free

Orange Pot advocates working on proposed legislation or ballot

CBD 12 States Oil is derived from a strain of marijuana that's high in cannabinoid/CBD

2018 November Marijuana Ballot Intiatives: Utah MM, Missouri MM, North Dakota Rec M3, Michigan Rec

ALASKA Legalized 2014

ALABAMA-CBD Research only program

ARKANSAS-Passed Medical

Arkansas woman had nearly 5 lbs. of marijuana, edibles, slew of other drugs: Police

 $\underline{https://truecrimedaily.com/2019/04/23/arkansas-woman-had-nearly-5-lbs-of-marijuana-edibles-slew-of-other-\underline{drugs-police/}$



ARIZONA-passed medical failed on recreational

Kactus Kush and Your CBD Store Bring Farm to Patient

Arizona Daily Wildcat

As **of** yet, there is not much scientific **research** supporting purported health ... Unlike **medical marijuana**, CBD oil doesn't have high levels **of THC**.



CALIFORNIA-passed medical and recreational 2012

https://silentpoison.com/







https://www.sosneighborhoods.com/

https://www.facebook.com/SaveOurSonomaNeighborhood

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Weed For Sale On Facebook Lands Parents In Jail

https://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2019/04/23/facebook-post-weed-sale-parents-jail/

JAMESTOWN (**CBS13**) — A Jamestown couple was arrested Monday after soliciting the sale of marijuana on Facebook lead to multiple felony charges.



Malissa McCarthy, 38; Addam Smith, 20. (Credit: Sonora Police)

Sonora Police said officers found a Facebook post advertising marijuana for sale on Monday night and set up a meeting to buy some of the marijuana in Jamestown.

Officers reportedly met 38-year-old Malissa McCarthy, who arrived with two ounces of marijuana in her possession. Police later learned McCarthy is on probation.

Police also contacted a man who was seen standing across the street at an apartment door during the sale. He was identified as McCarthy's boyfriend and the father of her youngest child, 20-year-old Addam Smith.



(Credit: Sonora Police)

Officers said they saw several more ounces of marijuana in the apartment from outside. The officers performed a safety check of the child and a probation search, reportedly finding two guns, ammunition, 27 ounces of marijuana, cash, and 3.6 ounces of methamphetamine.

Residents Approved Adult-Use Cannabis, But Cities And Counties Banned It, Anyway. A California

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Capital Public Radio News

A majority **of** California voters **legalized** recreational **cannabis** in 2016. But between 70 and 80 percent **of** cities and counties currently ban retail ...

COLORADO Recreational 2012

Marijuana could factor into suicide rate

https://www.chieftain.com/opinion/20190416/marijuana-could-factor-into-suiciderate?rssfeed=true&fbclid=IwAR2x7vghtsCz5lRiM-g4HOQTO4vKrELBg1UAF4oiKF_oaziB7geigO1rUtQ

7 TO 10% OF BABIES, DOCTORS ARE SEEING THC IN THEM



Pueblo Physicians Code Red - Dr. Steven Simerville

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DC

As **pot** flourishes in DC, federal ban restricts use by tenants in public housing

Washington Post

When he smokes marijuana, a pastime he has indulged in "every day, all day" for four decades, ... The District legalized medical marijuana in 2010.

FLORIDA-CBD would allow CBD-rich marijuana to be grown in those states-ATTEMPTED MEDI in 2014, again in 2016 and passed

Jimmy Buffett visits Pensacola on 4/20 to launch new cannabis brand with Suterra Wellness

Pensacola News Journal

Jimmy Buffett visits Pensacola on 4/20 to launch new cannabis brand with ... "He's had this idea to create a **medical cannabis** line for some time," ...

GEORGIA-CBD

Finally, Georgia can grow medical marijuana. Here's what you need to know.

Atlanta Magazine

On April 17, Governor Brian Kemp alleviated some **of medical marijuana's legal** purgatory by signing House Bill 324. The law solves a lot **of** problems ...

Medical marijuana oil sales signed into Georgia law

https://www.ajc.com/news/state--regional-govt--politics/medical-marijuana-oil-sales-signed-into-georgia-law/qUIeTcvR49opFbsB5MU36H/

HAWAII-dispensaries through legislature

IDAHO

Chronic State trailer

https://vimeo.com/285486451

See below video



http://www.drugfreeidaho.org/

Little: If Idahoans want legal marijuana, 'They elected wrong guy as governor'

https://www.idahopress.com/news/local/little-if-idahoans-want-legal-marijuana-they-elected-wrong-guy/article_f13c3be4-bd74-58e9-8a6c-92d01ba4f2da.html



EMMETT, Idaho — When Gov. Brad Little was asked at his first "Capital for a Day" session on Tuesday if Idahoans, like people in other nearby states, are looking toward marijuana legalization, he said, "If they did, they elected the wrong guy as governor."

"People ask me all the time why we're growing so fast," Little said. "I say it's because we're not Portland, we're not Seattle."

Little said he believes unintended consequences of legalized recreational marijuana include problems hiring reliable construction workers, questions about levels at which driving is impaired, concerns about children getting access to edibles, and more.

"I'm dead serious," he said during a break in the daylong session, at which he took questions from citizens on everything from education and health care to transportation funding, opioid abuse, irrigation and paying for growth. "There are so many unknowns."

Little said he's been hearing from both individuals and businesses that they're moving to Idaho to avoid the legal recreational marijuana that's become the norm in other states.

"There's no question about it, that that's part of our growth," he said.

Little brought more than a dozen state officials and agency heads with him to Emmett, his hometown, for the "Capital for a Day" session, and pledged to do the same around the state. His predecessor, former Gov. Butch Otter, held more than 100 of the sessions over his 12 years in office, many of them in far-flung small Idaho towns.

"While the Capitol, the seat of state government, remains in Boise," Little said, "I plan to visit and conduct business in every corner of the state during my administration."

Here are some of the topics he and his cabinet members covered in the Emmett session:

Shifting public opinion gives Idaho cannabis activists hope for 2020 medical marijuana initiative Pacific Northwest Inlander

There are two reasons why Russ Belville thinks Idaho has a shot at **legalizing medical marijuana** in 2020: Utah and Oklahoma. In 2018, both ...

ILLINOIS —medical marijuana

64 pounds of synthetic weed, guns found at NW Indiana home: cops

https://chicago.suntimes.com/news/64-pounds-of-synthetic-weed-guns-found-at-nw-indiana-home-cops/

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KANSAS

KANSAS KENTUCKY-CBD

LOUISIANA-CBD ONLY JUST PASSED A MEDICAL POT BILL SB143

MAINE

Maine Unveils Draft of Recreational Marijuana Regulatory Structure

https://hightimes.com/news/maine-unveils-draft-recreational-marijuana-regulatory-structure/

Cannabis Banking Bill Will Receive House Vote This Spring, Maine Releases Draft Rules for Adult ... Cannabis Business Times

Read **more**; Texas: A bill that would expand Texas' **medical marijuana** ... Read **more**; Maine: **More** than two years after residents voted to **legalize** ...

MARYLAND-medical CBD

MASSACHUSETTS medical marijuana

Marijuana Home Delivery Plans Given Preliminary Approval By Cannabis Control Commission

https://boston.cbslocal.com/2019/04/27/marijuana-home-delivery-plans-preliminary-approval-cannabis-control-commission/

MICHIGAN-medical 2018 Proposal 1 rec. marijuana passed

Residents urge Niles Township board not to opt out of adult-use marijuana businesses

South Bend Tribune

NILES — In Denver, there's a concentration **of** adult-use **cannabis** shops ... where Michigan is the only state where recreational **cannabis** is **legal**.

Residents urge Niles Township board not to opt out of adult-use marijuana businesses



NILES — In Denver, there's a concentration of adult-use cannabis shops along a commercial strip that's been marketed as the Green Mile.

Recreational marijuana business advocates seem to think something similar could develop along the South 11th Street (Michigan 51) commercial corridor in Niles Township, only they found a comparison closer to home.

"South 11th Street could be a new Grape Road," Renae Johnson told the Niles Charter Township board Wednesday morning.

The board held a special meeting to discuss possibly opting out — at least temporarily — of allowing adult-use marijuana businesses, and the topic packed the house.

All but one of the 16 or so people who spoke indicated they did not want the township to opt out. The meeting drew well over 50 people.

"To even access anything like Niles or Buchanan you have to go through our township," Madelyn Patterson, owner of Doggie Drive-Thru on South 3rd Street, said. "I am not one to stand by for 30 years and watch the business just drive by my place."

Most speakers seemed to see cannabis businesses as a source of needed tax revenue for the township. One man referred to "blight" along South 11th Street, and the need for more jobs and businesses. Several stressed that voters across Michigan and in the township voted to legalize adult-use marijuana last year, and the township board should not block related businesses.

Matt Johnson, who owns Lush Lighting in Belle Plaza along with his wife, Renae, said he thought adult-use marijuana businesses could generate "millions" in taxes for the township, and that the businesses would draw tourists, not just from Indiana but from around the Midwest, where Michigan is the only state where recreational cannabis is legal.

The Johnsons hope to obtain a microbusiness license and to be able to sell cannabis seeds.

The cities of Niles and Buchanan are both getting into the commercial marijuana market.

Niles is allowing up to four medical marijuana provisioning centers, which could locate along the South 11th Street commercial corridor. Those shops could potentially add adult-use sales, if City Council votes to allow recreational cannabis businesses and the shops seek adult-use licenses.

The city of Buchanan is allowing up to five medical marijuana provisioning centers that also potentially could also become adult-use shops, too.

Some people wondered what adult-use marijuana businesses the township could have since it does not allow medical marijuana businesses, which are providing a framework for the recreational industry.

The township would be able to allow microbusinesses and Class A growers as soon as the state is ready to license rec businesses, according to David Harns, communications manager for the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs.

Class A growers can cultivate 100 cannabis plants. A microbusiness can grow 150 plants, process and sell all in one location.

Licenses for retail shops and larger growers will go to medical marijuana businesses for the first two years before license opportunities open to others, Harns said.

The state does have some discretion, though, to possibly cut the wait to just a year, he said.

William Haas, a local medical marijuana advocate who has a consulting business, said the rec law was in part designed to help small medical marijuana caregiver growers get into business, and the township shouldn't prevent that by opting out.

Township Supervisor Jim Stover said the township's attorney advised the board to opt out of allowing adult-use marijuana businesses at least until state rules to govern the enterprises are in place. That's the route the city of Niles has taken.

The state hopes to have the rules written by June or July, Harns said, and to possibly start accepting recreational business license applications in September or October.

The township board set a public hearing for the proposed ordinance to opt out of allowing adult-use marijuana facilities for 6 p.m. Monday, May 20, at Township Hall.

Michigan licensing board ends nearly 2 years overseeing pot regulation

 $\frac{https://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/local/michigan/2019/04/25/michigan-licensing-board-ends-overseeing-pot-regulation/3575947002/$

MINNESOTA-MEDICAL MARIJUANA-2014

MISSOURI – MEDICAL MARIJUANA-2018-Amendment 2

Branson assistant police chief warns of negative impacts of medical marijuana, others embrace ... KY3

He says **legalizing medical marijuana** also made it easier to **get cannabis** ... He says **each medical marijuana** user will have a card that's scanned at ...

MISSISSIPPI MONTANA NEBRASKA

NEW MEXICO

BCSO seizes approximately 40 pounds of marijuana during traffic stop

 $\frac{https://www.kob.com/albuquerque-news/bcso-seizes-approximately-40-pounds-of-marijuana-during-traffic-stop/5327282/?cat=504$

NEW YORK

American arrested for large pot grow

 $\frac{https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/25/world/asia/myanmar-marijuana-american-hemp.html?ad-keywords=SMARTNEWS12$

American Arrested Over 20-Acre Cannabis Plantation in Myanmar

The New York Times

The 20-acre **cannabis** plantation was no secret. ... Myanmar law, but he urged the government to allow **research** into the use **of cannabis** in medicine.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Marijuana Critics Seek to Derail Legalization Bill As NH Senate Takes It Up

New Hampshire Public Radio

Critics of marijuana are trying to derail a legalization bill in New Hampshire by ... He said New Hampshire should be wary of the cannabis industry.

NORTH CAROLINA-CBD NORTH DAKOTA —Medical Marijuana 2014 2018 Recreational FAILED

NEW JERSEY —medical marijuana

NEVADA-medical dispensaries and marijuana legalization

OHIO-LEGALIZED medical marijuana

Rise Dispensaries cuts ribbon on first Medical marijuana dispensary in Toledo

The **medical marijuana** dispensary has state of the art security both inside and outside of the building and police have worked with Rise leaders.

OREGON-Measure 91 legalization 2014 and Medical marijuana 1998

www.unwantedpotgrows.com

https://www.facebook.com/PreserveDeschutesCounty/







http://keepgoodrichsafe.com/

OSP detains 2 people, destroys 14,497 marijuana plants in s. Oregon

https://www.kptv.com/news/osp-detains-people-destroys-marijuana-plants-in-s-oregon/article 160e9060-67bb-11e9-a082-cb48fa088b5b.html?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook_FOX_12_Oregon

JACKSON COUNTY, OR (KPTV) – Law enforcement detained two people and destroyed close to 14,500 marijuana plants earlier this month following a several months-long investigation in southern Oregon.

Oregon State Police say the plants weighed more than 1,900 pounds and had an estimated street value of \$15 million.

Gregory Marin Day, 24, of North Carolina, and a second person were detained after OSP served a search warrant April 11 at a property in the 3900 block of Independence School Road in Medford.

Day was lodged at the Jackson County Jail on numerous drug and weapons-related charges; the other person was identified and released, according to OSP.

Investigators say Day was managing the large scale indoor growing operation, which was not licensed or legal. They say the marijuana was being exported from Oregon to several Midwestern states.

Investigators removed and destroyed 14,497 marijuana plants weighing 1,907.7 pounds. They also seized \$557,488, 29 firearms, including two fully automatic rifles, 6,000 Butane Honey Oil cartridges, 141,838.3 gross grams of other BHO product, 1,047 gross grams of psilocybin mushrooms, and some LSD.









Oregon man who killed family had meth, alcohol, pot in system

https://www.ktvz.com/news/oregon-man-who-killed-family-had-meth-alcohol-pot-in-system/1072830231





"There is only one time for your voice to be heard, and that is now!" Shirley Morgan

The next session for the Oregon legislature begins January 22, 2019 and runs through June 30.

To monitor the activity of the below legislative bills presented, you may follow in the below links

https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/list/

https://gov.oregonlive.com/bill/search/marijuana/

OREGON BILLS TO WATCH IN PROGRESS

https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB218

Sent to the Rules committee where it will probably die, as it did not have support.

2019 SESSION

Senate Bill 218

Authorizes Oregon Liquor Control Commission to refuse to issue initial marijuana production licenses based on supply of and demand for marijuana.

PASSED SENATE PASSED HOUSE

Measure activity

Jan 14, 2019: Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.

SENATE Jan 17, 2019: Referred to Business and General Government.

Feb 28, 2019: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

Feb 28, 2019: Public Hearing held.

SENATE Mar 21, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

Apr 2, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Apr 2, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Apr 2, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Apr 2, 2019: Work Session held.

Apr 8, 2019: Recommendation: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

SENATE Apr 9, 2019: Second reading.

Apr 10, 2019: Third reading. Carried by Dembrow. Failed.

Apr 10, 2019: Burdick changed vote from aye to nay and serviced notice of reconsideration.

Apr 10, 2019: Motion to reconsider carried.

SENATE Apr 10, 2019: Motion to refer to Rules carried.

Votes

Senate vote April 10, 2019

Third reading. Carried by Dembrow. Failed.

YES 13			
Member	Party	City	Dist.
P. Courtney	D	Salem	11
M. Dembrow	D	Portland	23
S. Fagan	D	Portland	24
L. Frederick	D	Portland	22
S. Gelser	D	Corvallis	8
M. Hass	D	Beaverton	14
T. Knopp	R	Bend	27
J. Manning	D	Eugene	7
F. Prozanski	D	Eugene	4
C. Riley	D	Hillsboro	15
A. Roblan	D	Coos Bay	5
E. Steiner Hayward	D	Beaverton	17
R. Wagner	D	Tualatin	19

NO 17			
Member	Party	City	Dist.
H. Baertschiger	R	Grants Pass	2
C. Bentz	R	Ontario	30
L. Beyer	D	Springfield	6
B. Boquist	R	Dallas	12
G. Burdick	D	Portland	18
F. Girod	R	Stayton	9
J. Golden	D	Ashland	3
B. Hansell	R	Athena	29
D. Heard	R	Roseburg	1
B. Johnson	D	Scappoose	16
D. Linthicum	R	Klamath Falls	28
L. Monnes Anderson	D	Gresham	25
A. Olsen	R	Canby	20
K. Taylor	D	Portland	21
K. Thatcher	R	Keizer	13
C. Thomsen	R	Hood River	26
J. Winters	R	Salem	10

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Party City

SB 218-3 (LC 634) 3/14/19 (SCT/ps)

Requested by Senator RILEY

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 218

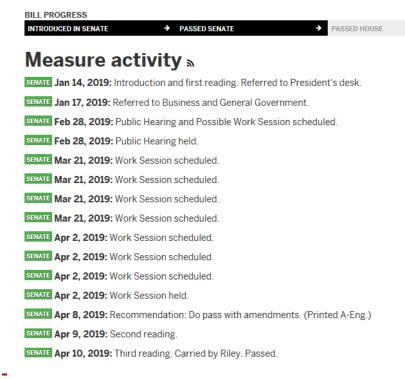
- In line 6 of the printed bill, delete "market demand".
- 2 Delete line 7 and insert "the supply of and demand for marijuana, refuse
- a to issue
- 4 After line 9, insert
- 5 "(2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to the renewal of a
- 6 production license under ORS 475B.070 or to the issuance or reissuance of
- τ a production license under ORS 475B.070 necessitated by a change in the
- s location or ownership of a production facility or premises.".
- 9 In line 10, delete "(2)" and insert "(3)".

https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB365

2019 SESSION

Senate Bill 365

Prohibits local governments from imposing system development charge for increased use of transportation facility resulting from marijuana production in exclusive farm use zone.

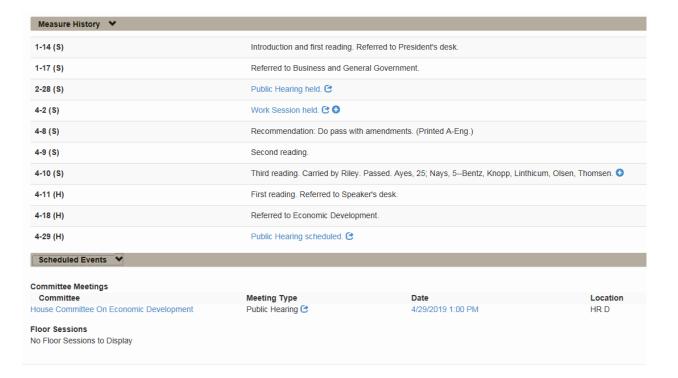


Votes

Senate vote April 10, 2019

Third reading Carried by Riley Passer

YES 25				NO 5				NOT VOTING 0		
Member	Party	City	Dist.	Member	Party	City	Dist.	Member	Party City	Dist.
H. Baertschiger	R	Grants Pass	2	C. Bentz	R	Ontario	30			
L. Beyer	D	Springfield	6	T. Knopp	R	Bend	27			
B. Boquist	R	Dallas	12	D. Linthicum	R	Klamath Falls	28			
G. Burdick	D	Portland	18	A. Olsen	R	Canby	20			
P. Courtney	D	Salem	11	C. Thomsen	R	Hood River	26			
M. Dembrow	D	Portland	23							
S. Fagan	D	Portland	24							
L. Frederick	D	Portland	22							
S. Gelser	D	Corvallis	8							
F. Girod	R	Stayton	9							
J. Golden	D	Ashland	3							
B. Hansell	R	Athena	29							
M. Hass	D	Beaverton	14							
D. Heard	R	Roseburg	1							
B. Johnson	D	Scappoose	16							
J. Manning	D	Eugene	7							
L. Monnes Anderson	D	Gresham	25							
F. Prozanski	D	Eugene	4							
C. Riley	D	Hillsboro	15							
A. Roblan	D	Coos Bay	5							
E. Steiner Hayward	D	Beaverton	17							
K. Taylor	D	Portland	21							
K. Thatcher	R	Keizer	13							
R. Wagner	D	Tualatin	19							
J. Winters	R	Salem	10							



 $\underline{https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Committees/HECD/2019-04-29-13-00/SB365/Details}$



April 29, 2019

House Committee on Economic Development Attn: Chair Lively, Vice-Chair Bonham, Vice Chair Fahey and Committee Members Hearing Room D (1:00 PM)

RE: Testimony in opposition to SB 365

Dear Chair Lively, Vice-Chair Bonham, Vice Chair Fahey and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **opposition of SB 365**, which, if passed, would prohibit Oregon counties from collecting System Development Charges (SDCs) for marijuana grow operations on EFU zoned land. In addition to this testimony, I respectfully request that the committee review Deschutes County Board of County Commissioner's testimony submitted at the February 28th hearing before the Senate Committee on Business and General Government. Whereas our prior testimony reflected upon the unique circumstances in Deschutes County, this testimony focuses on **why SB 365 is** <u>bad policy</u> for the State of Oregon.

History of SDC Statutes (ORS 223.297-314)

Oregon's SDC statutes have been in place for 30 years and have proven to be an invaluable tool to provide infrastructure funding for local government. To date, <u>no land use has ever been exempt from SDCs</u> within state statute. Not schools. Not parks. Not affordable housing. If approved via SB 365, marijuana grow operations would become the only land use to successfully petition the legislature for exemption. Exempting specific land use from SDC payment disrupts the integrity and fairness of the process that the legislature has held intact for three decades.

An Exemption is a Subsidy

There is no such thing as a free lunch - somebody always pays. Exempting SDCs has the effect of transferring the transportation system impact of marijuana grow operations to other taxpayers. Marijuana grow facilities in Deschutes County are not benign development with negligible impact. The facilities include industrial style buildings complete with conference rooms, break rooms for employees, and parking lots. In SB 365, the legislature is being asked to provide a subsidy to a specific land use for which no other land use is eligible within the state.

Deschutes County's SDCs are Fair and Equitable

The transportation system cannot differentiate between traffic generated by one type of development versus another; system capacity is consumed regardless of its origin. Deschutes County's SDC methodology assess \$4,240 per peak hour trip added to the system. For marijuana grow facilities, this equates to \$0.81 per square foot of construction. For construction costs in the range of \$100 per square foot, the SDC represents less than 1% of the cost of a project. This is hardly punitive or cost prohibitive to the industry.

Local Government has Discretion to Exempt

Many local governments provide SDC exemptions within their SDC methodologies for a variety of land uses that they wish to incentivize via this subsidy. This is the proper way in which to address SDC exemption – in an open and transparent manner in which a local government can make the choice to subsidize.

Please Reject SB 365

We appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony to the House Committee on Economic Development. For the reasons cited above and more, **SB 365 is bad policy** and we respectfully request the Committee reject this bill.

Yours Truly,

Chris Doty, PE

Road Department Director Deschutes County Road Department

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https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Committees/SJUD/2019-04-03-08-00/SB582/Details

<u>SB582</u> Authorizes Governor to enter into agreement with another sate for purpose of cross-jurisdictional coordination and enforcement of marijuana-related businesses. Added an amendment to below:

"(a) Federal law is amended to allow for the interstate transfer of marijuana items between authorized marijuana-related businesses; or"(b) The United States Department of Justice issues an opinion or memorandum allowing or tolerating the interstate transfer of

"(2) The Oregon Liquor Control Commission shall notify the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary and the Legislative Counsel upon the occurrence of an event described in

marijuana items between authorized marijuana-related businesses.

23 subsection (1) of this section.".

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Action	Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)				
Adopted Amendments	<u>▶</u> -2				
Committee Vote (Aye, Nay, Excused, Absent)	5-2-0-0				
Carrier	Prozanski				
Member Vote	Bentz Fagan Gelser Linthicum Manning Jr Prozanski Thatcher	Nay Aye Aye Nay Aye Aye Aye			

Measure activity »

SENATE Jan 14, 2019: Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.

SENATE Jan 17, 2019: Referred to Judiciary.

SENATE Feb 7, 2019: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Feb 7, 2019: Public Hearing held.

SENATE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session held.

SB585 Directs OLCC to establish responsible cannabis retailer program to assist marijuana retailers in maintaining compliance with cannabis laws and rules.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 585

On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 7 through 20 and insert:

"SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Liquor Control Commission shall establish by rule a Cannabis Responsible Retailer Program. The program must include a list of positive measures that a marijuana retailer that holds a license issued under ORS 475B.105 must take in order to avoid sales of marijuana items to minors. Any marijuana retailer that holds a license issued under ORS 475B.105 may participate in the program.

"(2) If a marijuana retailer that holds a license issued under ORS 475B.105 participates in the program described in subsection (1) of this section, and takes all necessary measures specified by the program to prevent sales of marijuana items to minors, the commission may not revoke, suspend or deny issuance of a license under ORS 475B.105 based on sales of marijuana items to minors by employees of the marijuana retailer.".

Measure activity »

SENATE Jan 14, 2019: Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.

SENATE Jan 17, 2019: Referred to Business and General Government.

SENATE Feb 28, 2019: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Feb 28, 2019: Public Hearing held.

SENATE Mar 21, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SENATE Apr 2, 2019: Work Session held.

SENATE Apr 8, 2019: Recommendation: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

SENATE Apr 8, 2019: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

SB1012 Clarifies that to qualify for exemption from land use compatibility statement, applicant for marijuana production license is not required to demonstrate continuous registration of marijuana grow site prior to date of application for licensure.

SCHEDULED FOR A WORK SESSION THURSDAY MARCH 28TH 8:30AM-COMMITTEE MOVED THIS BILL FORWARD

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        SECTION 1. ORS 475B.074 is amended to read:
        475B.074. (1) The requirement under ORS 475B.063 to obtain a land use compatibility statement
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     as a condition of receiving a license under ORS 475B.070 does not apply to an applicant if:
        [(1)] (a) The applicant is applying for a license at an address where a marijuana grow site reg-
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     istered under ORS 475B.810 is located:
        [(2)] (b) The address is outside of city limits;
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        [(3)] (c) At least one person responsible for a marijuana grow site located at the address first
12 registered with the Oregon Health Authority under ORS 475B.810 before January 1, 2015, and is
     registered with the authority under ORS 475B.810 on the date on which the applicant sub-
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     mitted the application for a license under ORS 475B.070;
       [(4)] (d) Each person responsible for a marijuana grow site located at the address first registered
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     with the [Oregon Health] authority under ORS 475B.810 before February 1, 2016, and is registered
     with the authority under ORS 475B.810 on the date on which the applicant submitted the
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     application for a license under ORS 475B.070; and
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        [(5)] (e) The applicant is applying for a mature marijuana plant grow canopy of:
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        [(a)] (A) 5,000 square feet or less, if the marijuana is produced outdoors; or
        [(b)] (B) 1,250 square feet or less, if the marijuana is produced indoors.
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        (2) For purposes of this section, an applicant for a license under ORS 475B.070 is not re-
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        (a) At least one person responsible for a marijuana grow site located at the address for
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     which the applicant is applying for a license has been continuously registered with the au-
     thority under ORS 475B.810 between January 1, 2015, and the date on which the applicant
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     applies for a license under ORS 475B.070; or
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https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB1012

https://gov.oregonlive.com/bill/2019/SB1012/



THE COMMITTEE MOVED THIS BILL FORWARD WITHOUT ANY INPUT FROM OLCC AND MOVED IT FORWARD AND THAT SENATOR PROZANSKI NEEDS A CARRIER TO TAKE IT TO THE FLOOR

TO LISTEN TO THE PUBLIC HEARING AND WORK SESSION WHICH WERE COMBINED

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HB3200 Requires applicant for marijuana production license that does not own premises at which marijuana will be produced to submit signed informed consent of owner of premises to OLCC. This is a good bill and needs to pass to protect property owners who rent and lease their properties to people who start marijuana grows illegally without permits. The bill however has not moved since the worksession who passed it unanimously in the House committee on Economic Development.

SCHEDULED FOR A WORK SESSION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Wednesday March 27 work session, April 8th

Measure History 🕶	
2-28 (H)	First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.
3-5 (H)	Referred to Economic Development.
3-27 (H)	Public Hearing held. 😉
4-8 (H)	Work Session scheduled.

Testimony below by property owner who was impacted by marijuana growers from Yamhill County.

https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB3200



Measure activity »

HOUSE Mar 5, 2019: Referred to Economic Development.

HOUSE Mar 27, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.

HOUSE Mar 27, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.

HOUSE Mar 27, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.

HOUSE Mar 27, 2019: Public Hearing held.

Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

HOUSE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

HOUSE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

HOUSE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session held.

HOUSE Apr 12, 2019: Recommendation: Do pass.

HOUSE Apr 15, 2019: Second reading.

HOUSE Apr 16, 2019: Rules suspended. Carried over to April 17, 2019 Calendar.

HOUSE Apr 17, 2019: Third reading. Carried by Noble. Passed.

SENATE Apr 18, 2019: First reading. Referred to President's desk.

SENATE Apr 19, 2019: Referred to Business and General Government.

SENATE May 2, 2019: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

SENATE May 2, 2019: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

SENATE May 2, 2019: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

Votes

House vote April 17, 2019

Third reading. Carried by Noble. Passed.

YES 60

Member	Party	City	Dist.
T. Alonso Leon	D	Woodburn	22
J. Barker	D	Aloha	28
G. Barreto	R	Pendleton	58
D. Boles	R	Salem	19
D. Bonham	R	The Dalles	59
S. Boshart Davis	R	Albany	15
J. Bynum	D	Clackamas	51
B. Clem	D	Salem	21
M. Doherty	D	Tigard	35
C. Drazan	R	Canby	39
P. Evans	D	Salem	20
J. Fahey	D	Eugene	14
L. Findley	R	Ontario	60
D. Gomberg	D	Otis	10
C. Gorsek	D	Troutdale	49
M. Greenlick	D	Portland	33
C. Hayden	R	Roseburg	7
K. Helm	D	Beaverton	34
C. Helt	R	Bend	54

Member	Party	City	Dist.
D. Hernandez	D	Portland	47
P. Holvey	D	Eugene	8
A. Keny-Guyer	D	Portland	46
T. Kotek	D	Portland	44
G. Leif	R	Roseburg	2
R. Lewis	R	Silverton	18
J. Lively	D	Springfield	12
P. Marsh	D	Ashland	5
C. McKeown	D	Coos Bay	9
S. McLain	D	Hillsboro	29
M. McLane	R	Powell Butte	55
M. Meek	D	Gladstone	40
T. Mitchell	D	Cannon Beach	32
N. Nathanson	D	Eugene	13
M. Nearman	R	Dallas	23
C. Neron	D	Sherwood/Wilsonville	26
R. Noble	R	Yamhill	24
R. Nosse	D	Portland	42
C. Piluso	D	Gresham	50
B. Post	R	Keizer	25
K. Power	D	Milwaukie	41
R. Prusak	D	Tualatin/West Linn	37
D. Rayfield	D	Corvallis	16
J. Reardon	D	Happy Valley	48
E. Reschke	R	Klamath Falls	56
A. Salinas	D	Lake Oswego	38
T. Sanchez	D	Portland	43
S. Schouten	D	Beaverton	27
G. Smith	R	Heppner	57
D. Smith	R	Port Orford	1
B. Smith Warner	D	Portland	45
J. Sollman	D	Hillsboro	30
S. Sprenger	R	Scio	17
D. Stark	R	Central Point	4
K. Wallan	R	Medford	6

Member	Party	City	Dist.
M. Wilde	D	Central Lane and Linn	11
A. Williams	D	Hood River	52
J. Williamson	D	Portland	36
C. Wilson	R	Grants Pass	3
B. Witt	D	Clatskanie	31
J. Zika	R	Redmond	53
NO 0			
Member	Party	City	Dist.
NOT VOTING 0			
Member	Party	City	Dist.

HB3211 Directs State Department of Agriculture to advance design of cannabis business certification program. Directs OLCC to allocate moneys from Marijuana Control and Regulation Fund to department for purposes of cannabis business certification program.

SCHEDULED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY MARCH 13TH work session, April 1st

Measure History ♥	
2-28 (H)	First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.
3-5 (H)	Referred to Economic Development with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.
3-13 (H)	Public Hearing held. 😉
4-1 (H)	Work Session held. 🕑 🐧
4-2 (H)	Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.
4-2 (H)	Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Measure activity a

HOUSE Mar 5, 2019: Referred to Economic Development with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

HOUSE Mar 13, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.

HOUSE Mar 13, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.

HOUSE Mar 13, 2019: Public Hearing held.

HOUSE Mar 27, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

HOUSE Mar 27, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

HOUSE Apr 1, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

HOUSE Apr 1, 2019: Work Session held.

HOUSE Apr 2, 2019: Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

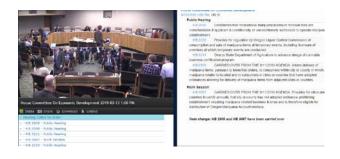
HOUSE Apr 2, 2019: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

HB2909 Allows delivery of marijuana items, pursuant to bona fide orders, to consumers within city or county in which marijuana retailer is located and to consumers in cities or counties that have adopted ordinances allowing for delivery of marijuana items from adjacent cities or counties.

SCHEDULED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY MARCH 13TH work session, April 8th (worksession wasn't held)

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- Rep. Helm is wanting marijuana delivery system of recreational marijuana to be able to go into other jurisdictions.
- Canby as an example does not allow recreational marijuana but they could vote to allow a delivery system there. If government opts in to allow delivery, then they should get some of the tax money.
- Rep. Helm almost every city which allows rec. marijuana opted into the tax. And in order to be part
 of this bill, the city/county would have to have opted in in order to get the delivery system.



Measure activity a

- HOUSE Feb 7, 2019: First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.
- HOUSE Feb 14, 2019: Referred to Economic Development.
- HOUSE Mar 11, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.
- HOUSE Mar 11, 2019: Public Hearing held.
- HOUSE Mar 13, 2019: Public Hearing scheduled.
- HOUSE Mar 13, 2019: Public Hearing held.
- HOUSE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- HOUSE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- HOUSE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- HOUSE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.

SB379 Provides that conditioning employment on refraining from using any substance that is lawful to use in this state is unlawful employment practice.

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Measure activity »

- SENATE Jan 14, 2019: Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.
- SENATE Jan 16, 2019: Referred to Judiciary.
- SENATE Feb 7, 2019: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.
- **SENATE** Feb 7, 2019: Public Hearing held.
- SENATE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- SENATE Apr 3, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- SENATE Apr 4, 2019: Work Session scheduled
- SENATE Apr 4, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- SENATE Apr 4, 2019: Work Session held.
- SENATE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- SENATE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- SENATE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session scheduled.
- SENATE Apr 8, 2019: Work Session held.
- Apr 29, 2019: Recommendation: Do Pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)
- SENATE Apr 29, 2019: Referred to Senate Judiciary by order of the President.

<u>SB420</u> Directs Dept of Justice to identify misdemeanor convictions for possession, delivery or manufacture of marijuana based on conduct that would not constitute crime under current law.

Votes

Senate vote April 25, 2019

Third reading. Carried by Frederick. Passed

YES 25				NO 4				NOT VOTING 1			
Member	Party	City	Dist.	Member	Party	City	Dist.	Member	Party	City	Dist.
C. Bentz	R	Ontario	30	H. Baertschiger	R	Grants Pass	2	J. Winters	R	Salem	10
L. Beyer	D	Springfield	6	F. Girod	R	Stayton	9				
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C. Riley	D	Hillsboro	15								
A. Roblan	D	Coos Bay	5								
E. Steiner Hayward	D	Beaverton	17								
K. Taylor	D	Portland	21								
K. Thatcher	R	Keizer	13								
R. Wagner	D	Tualatin	19								

THE BELOW BILLS HAVE NO WORK SESSIONS SCHEDULED AS OF 3/26/19 AND IF THESE BILLS ARE NOT BROUGHT FORWARD BY APRIL 9TH, THE BILLS ARE DEAD

- HB2233 Provides for regulation by Oregon Liquor Control Commission of consumption and sale of marijuana items at temporary events, including licensure of premises at which temporary events are conducted.
- **HB2382** RELATING TO COUNTY TAXES ON MARIJUANA PRODUCTION SITES; PRESCRIBING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR REVENUE RAISING THAT REQUIRES APPROVAL BY A THREE-FIFTH MAJORITY. Allows certain counties to adopt ordinance to impose tax on medical and recreational marijuana production.\
- **HB2655** Provides that conditioning employment on refraining from using any substance that is lawful to use in this state is unlawful employment practice.
- HB2687 Prohibits transplant center from recommending that potential anatomical gift recipient who is medical marijuana patient be removed from list of potential recipients exclusively based on positive result of drug test for marijuana use.
- **HB3067** Provides for cities and counties to certify annually that city or county has not adopted ordinance prohibiting establishment requiring marijuana-related business license and is therefore eligible for distribution of Oregon Marijuana Account moneys.
- HB3096 Authorizes exception allowing certain cities to impose tax or fee, in excess of standard limitation on production, processing or sale of marijuana items after Jan. 1, 2020.
- **SB382** Removes limit of 20 lbs on transfer of usable marijuana from medical marijuana grow site to recreational marijuana processor or wholesaler.
- **SB578** Provides that determinations of guilt for certain marijuana offences merge into one conviction and are not separately punishable. NO PUBLIC HEARING
- SB599 Established medical marijuana patient access committee to study and recommend methods to reduce barriers to accessing medical marijuana and to advise OHA on issues related to accessing medical marijuana

• <u>SB639</u> Provides for regulations by OLCC of consumption and sale of marijuana items at temporary events, including licensure of premises on which temporary events are held.



"Truth begins first in your heart then you must do the right thing to expose it." Shirley Morgan

In 1998 Oregon passed the medical marijuana law. In 2014 Oregon legalized recreation marijuana both through ballot measure initiatives that were highly funded by out-of-state millionaires whose mission is to legalize all drugs. The Oregon legislature redefine marijuana as an agricultural crop and have it allowed to be grown in our rural communities. It is one thing to pass a measure but it is another thing to implement a law. Legislators with an agenda or mission often only listen to one side, and rarely invite the opposing voice to the political table to help develop new laws in ways that protect the general public. Marijuana is still a federally illegal drug and brings with it a lot of public safety, quality of life, and property values risks. As an advocate I work on this topic nationally and have for the past 20 years to expose the truth to the degradation of our communities.



CASE STUDIES



Readers who are familiar with the marijuana e-news periodical may be weary of seeing these case studies each time they review this document, but with your patience new readers who are coming on board daily who have not seen them will have an opportunity to see for themselves what marijuana and hemp legalization has created in Oregon.

NEW CASE STUDY CLACKAMAS COUNTY INDUSTRIALIZING OREGON'S FARM LAND

Case Study-27501-03 SE Nelson-Sandy

Here is a look at a marijuana grower in Clackamas County-Patrick Pooler who is involved in licensing marijuana production as well as developing real estate properties that look to set up the properties for marijuana production by obtaining the land use application approvals, and then selling those properties touting that the land already has marijuana production LUCS and licenses, therefore turning the farm land into an industrializing marijuana production property.

27501-03 SE Nelson Sandy

High Spirits Real Estate LLC & Tap-Reloop, LLC Patrick J. Pooler 27501 SE Nelson, Sandy, Oregon OLCC LICENSE 30,000 sq. ft. of marijuana production

020 100014341E7 High Spirit Acres, LLC & Tap-**High Spirit Acres** Reloop, LLC

Recreational Producer Yes Clackamas



Proposal: Applicant proposes to construct one metal building that will contain 25,028 square feet for indoor marijuana production. The footprint of the 2 level structure is 120' by 110' 70096-16 (13,200 square feet). There is also a proposed gravel road and parking area.

Proposal: Indoor recreational marijuana production in four new greenhouses; two are 3,600 square feet and two are 2,880 square feet. Two existing buildings will also be used for marijuana production and one existing building will be used for support. The applicant also proposes a new parking and loading zone around the proposed buildings. The staff notes that this land use permit will supersede the previous approval with Z0097-16-MJ.

Z0473-16

Proposal: This application is for four additional indoor production greenhouses 60'x 100' one 30' x 96' greenhouse and one. The applicant proposes to expand the previous approval Z0473-16 MJ for indoor recreational marijuana production in six indoor production buildings and one support building for a total of 10 indoor production buildings and 3 buildings for storage, office and production support.

Z0380-18 Z0097-16

2018 8 2016 8 2011

MOST TREES REMOVED

NAME: Heroes of the Farm

Review of -27350, 27560, 27590, 27810, 27840-SE Stone-Boring 8997, 9003, 8999, 9001, 9003 –SE 282nd, Boring 63 acres total with 10 site addresses

The former Richardson's Nursery purchased for \$999,630 on 2/8/16

Review of approved Clackamas County land use applications

CASE FILE NO .: Z0246-18-PDR

STAFF CONTACT: Lizbeth Dance (503.742.4524, ldance@clackamas.us)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: T1S, R3E, Section 25A, Tax Lots 00200, 00500, 00600, 00700,

00800, 00900, 02600 & 03000

SITE ADDRESS: 27590 Stone Rd.

APPLICANT: Patrick Pooler 27053 SE Nelson Rd. Sandy OR.

OWNER: Tribros Enterprises LLC., represented by Patrick Pooler, at address above

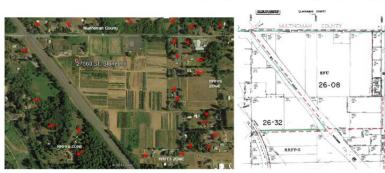
TOTAL AREA INVOLVED: Approximately 61.83 acres

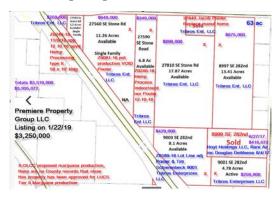
ZONING: Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) District

<u>PROPOSAL:</u> The applicant is proposing to use 200 square foot new structure used for processing of industrial hemp. At least 25% of the hemp processed will be grown on site.

Surrounded by rural residential farm forest small lot properties

 $http://cmap.clackamas.us/taxmap/03_1s3e25a.pdf$





Production license

In the applications application he shows areas where he plans Tier II OLCC marijuana Canopy area designated for OLCC

production-30,000 to 40,000 Sg. Ft on each area marked:



Area for potential hemp production (30' & 10' setbacks observed)

On Jan. 22, 2019 this property was put on the market for \$3,250,000 with Premier Property

- 9 tax lots that make up this amazing 63+Ac property.
- EFU land with <u>County and LUCS approval</u> for <u>tier 2 cannabis production</u> on each of the tax lots. **NOTE:** County records do not show any LUCS approval for marijuana production on any of these lots as of 1/22/19, yet the real estate listing is promoting it. The only approval has been for **Z0246-1**8 for a Hemp processing Facility.
- Two of the lots are zoned residential and have homes of little or no value but have power, water and septic.
- The property has been surveyed, it has 2 shared wells with water to each of the 9 tax lots. Fantastic gently sloped property with pastoral and Mt. Hood views.
- Real Estate signs were noticed posted on the property on 1/22/19

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1-9-19 NEW CASE STUDY 15171 S. Spangler Rd Oregon City

UPDATE: Articles note how Oregon is growing too much pot to use, yet even though OLCC Oregon Liquor Control Commission isn't issuing any new licenses at this time.

- Oregon counties and cities continue to issue marijuana land use approval statements.
- New prospective marijuana investors are then looking for marijuana businesses that are up for sale, then they are buying their business, then they are going to OLCC saying that they are buying a particular marijuana business who is currently licensed, then they ask OLCC for a transfer of ownership to their own site location.
- In order to be approved by OLCC they then apply with OLCC for a marijuana business license, noting that it is a transfer of ownership to their own site location.
- In a way in and out-of-state investors are circumventing OLCC moratorium on licensing by simply buying out existing marijuana businesses that have licenses.

12/04/2018	Z0586-18	Planning - PD- HO-Ministerial	Marijuana	15171 S SPANGLER RD, OREGON CITY OR 97045	Approved
12/04/2018	Z0587-18	Planning - PD- HO-Ministerial	Marijuana	NO SITUS	Pending

ZO586-18 PROPOSES TO INDUSTRIALIZE A SMALL 26.58 ACRE EFU EXCLUSIVE FARM USE PARCEL WITH OVER 89 PROPOSED MARIJUANA STRUCTURES AND GREENHOUSES FOR MARIJUANA CONCENTRATE PROCESSING AND OVER 74 LEASED INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GREENHOUSES FOR MARIJUANA PRODUCTION. This property is surrounded by numerous rural residential farming properties that will be greatly impacted, by not only odor, but when fully developed a 1000% increase in industrialized traffic, and potential burglaries.

Proposal: The applicant proposes indoor and outdoor recreational marijuana production on 358,020 square feet within one 26.58 acre lot of record. This proposal is for a total of 16 marijuana production spaces in 89 proposed structures, one existing building and 14 proposed buildings for indoor production with 74 greenhouses for associated outdoor production.

Z0586-18

MARIJUANA PRODUCTION

Record Z0586-18: Planning - PD-HO-Ministerial

Record Status: Pending Record Info 🔻 Payments Custom Component **Work Location** 15171 S SPANGLER RD

Record Details

Applicant: BRIAN DOYLE 1060 UPPER DEVON LN LAKE OSWEGO, OR. 97034 Home Phone:5033290787

DOYLE BRIAN 15171 S SPANGLER RD OREGON CITY OR 97045

▼More Details

■ Related Contacts

Additional Information
 Application Information

GENERAL

Type:

EFU - Exclusive Farm Use

Planning - PD-**HO-Ministerial**

Project Description:

Marijuana

NO SITUS

Pending



12/04/2018 **Z0587-18**



APPEALED

14289 S Vaughn Rd Molalla - former chicken farm-19 ac

14289 S. Vaughn Rd-Molalla, Oregon

ZONE: Exclusive Farm Use 19/8 Ac Parcel 52E04 00500 LAND USE # Z0484-2018 Applied 11/14/18

Multi-Licensed OLCC tier II Marijuana production 687,720 sq. ft.

DETAILS

1. 19 ACRES

PROJECT OVERVIEW



I. Project Overview:

Proposal: The applicant proposes indoor and outdoor recreational marijuana production on 280,800 square feet within one 19,79 acre lot of record. This proposal is for a total of 31 marijuana production spaces in 8 existing buildings, 6 proposed buildings and 34 greenhouses with 10 shipping containers for storage and security. The existing building, identified as building 15, will be used for office, maintenance and a recycling space.

OREGON CASE STUDY UPDATE

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

11512 S. Barnards Road, Molalla

An Industrialized marijuana production site Z0445-16

Date	Record Number	Record Type	Project Name	Address	Status
08/16/2016	Z0445-16	Planning - PD-HO- Ministerial	Marijuana	NO SITUS	Approved

Project Description:

Record V0023718: Code Enforcement - Violation Record Status: Pending GRADING AND BERMS CONSTRUCTED FOR GUN RANGE WITHOUT GRADING PERMIT (PERSONAL SHOOTING RANGE ALLOWED). NOTE: APPEARS TO BE A REGULATED STREAM IN THE NW CORNER

http://ascendweb.clackamas.us/ascendweb/(S(ifulwybo0ekk0g55hfridmyb))/ParcelInfo.aspx?parcel_number= 01068926

Sales His	Sales History							
			Recording Number		_	Deed Type	Grantee(Buyer)	
03/30/2016	04/07/2016	03/31/2016	2016-020705	\$950,000.00	294996		KLOBERDANZ JESSE & JESSICA	
03/27/2012	05/02/2012	04/18/2012	2012-023712	\$345,000.00	229149		KAHUT RAYMOND	
08/01/2011	08/10/2011	08/08/2011	2011-044803	\$532,526.00	219182		WELLS FARGO BANK NA TRUSTEE	

ISSUE: 40 acre prime farmland pasture in the EFU exclusive farm use zone to be turned into another **56** 300,000 sq. ft. *multi-licensed industrialized park pot leasing marijuana grow buildings site*, which increases traffic, poses unwanted marijuana robberies, and turns the once quiet farming community into an industrial zone.

PROPERTY OWNERS: Jesse & Jessica Kloberdanz Owners purchased property 3/31/16 for \$950,000 Their plan was to lease marijuana grow spaces to OG Spaces LLC who will sublease the property who is also named as Jesse Kloberdanz, and Viyda Schatz and Kloberdanz will be the landlord. Instagram

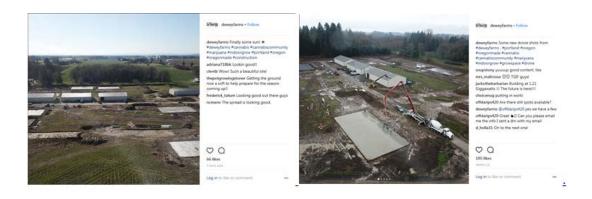
https://www.instagram.com/deweyfarms/

They have turned this once beautiful pasture land into an industrialized marijuana production site, destroying any value of the farmland.









APPEARS THAT THE OWNERS ARE NOW HEADING FOR A NUMBER OF LAWSUITS AND MIGHT POSSIBLY BE OUT OF BUSINESS BEFORE THEY EVEN GET STARTED.

- According to public records Mr. Kloberdanz is being foreclosed by both his primary mortgage and his line of credit (\$4M, against which he drew at least 2.1M.)
- All the 'investors' in the property will likely lose everything, as the leases themselves are also being contested in large numbers.

Civil, Family, Probate and Tax Court Case Records Search Results

Search By: Party Case Number	Exact Name: on	Party Search Mode: Name Last Name: kloberdanz Style	Filed/Location	Type/Status
16CV42956		Montana State University - Billings vs Jesse Allen Kloberdanz	12/30/2016 Clackamas	Contract Closed
18CV20643		Terpene & Trichome, LLC vs Jesse Kloberdanz, Greenstone Solutions, LLC, Dewey Farms, LLC	05/21/2018 Clackamas	Contract Open
18CV20654		Christenson Electric Inc. vs Greenstone Solutions LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz, Jessica Kloberdanz, Raymond Kahut, Moga LLCetal.	05/21/2018 Clackamas	Property - Foreclosure Open
18CV27771		Jelly Bean Properties LLC, Packaging Brothers LLC vs Greenstone Solutions LLC, Dewey Farms LLC, Kloberdanz Holdings LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz	07/05/2018 Multnomah	Contract Open
	rior owner of operty	RAYMOND KAHUT vs JESSE KLOBERDANZ, JESSICA KLOBERDANZ, LM Jorgensen, Inc., CHRISTENSON ELECTRIC, INC., CASCADE CONCRETE ACCESSORIES, LLCetal.	07/09/2018 Clackamas	Property - Foreclosure Open
18CV34915		Morgan Miller vs Jesse Kloberdanz, Greenstone Solutions, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company	08/09/2018 Clackamas	Contract Open
8CV38985		Tai Nguyen vs Jesse Kloberdanz, Dewey Farms, LLC, Greenstone Solutions, LLC	09/06/2018 Clackamas	Document Recording - Civil Closed
8CV40217		Cheryl Pappas vs Greenstone Solutionc, LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz, Jessica Kloberdanz	09/11/2018 Clackamas	Contract Open
8CV41685		Cheryl Pappas vs Dewey Farms, LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz, Jessica Kloberdanz	09/19/2018 Clackamas	Contract Open
8CV42351		Greenstone Solutions LLC, Kloberdanz Holdings LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz, Dewey Farms LLC vs Packaging Brothers, LLC, Jelly Bean Properties, LLC	09/20/2018 Multnomah	Contract Stayed
8CV46650		Foxter Investments, LLC vs JB Industrial, LLC, Dewey Farms, LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz	10/16/2018 Clackamas	Contract Open
8CV48992		Sunset Imports, Inc. vs. Jessica A. Kloberdanz, Jesse A. Kloberdanz	10/25/2018 Washington	Procedural Matters - Genera Closed
8CV55265		Sunbelt Rentals, Inc. vs Dewey Farms, LLC, Jesse Kloberdanz, Jessica Kloberdanz	12/04/2018 Clackamas	Tort - General Open

DESCHUTES COUNTY

• 197 Marijuana land used applications 98% production

LANCE AND MONIKA

"As our family has resided in Deschutes County for 22 years. The surrounding 28 properties within 1,000 feet of our home appealed a 10,000 square foot grow operation, because the county had approved this without any hearing. In our case, the Board of County Commissioner finally denied the application, although it was apparent Deschutes County itself had allowed this, without any consideration to the detriment of the tax payers who have resided here for decades.

Rural Deschutes County DID NOT vote to legalize marijuana, nor did it vote to turn this federally illegal plant into an agricultural crop, the legislature did. Hopefully, listening to residents will not be overlooked in future. Other crops do not have 80% leaving the state via the black market. Alfalfa residents have been living "next door" to large scale grow operations for years. Please consider how this city has been adversely affected by this infiltration on every level. They can no longer ride their horses, due to the influx of traffic from the growers, staff and their visitors, as it is now unsafe! Traffic Accidents have greatly increased with the legalization of Marijuana.

Additionally, I ask that you consider the size of EFU and MUA zoned property in relation to smaller residents who live around it with family, kids and farm animals. For example, I am a 4H leader for Unified Tenders, helping with 4H kids on a neighbors' property, who are tending swine, as well as learning about horticulture.



Is it a good use of our counties land to allow growers, their employees, without background checks, to move in and demand special rights or privileges in growing a federally illegal plant? Light pollution and even helicopters hovering over their crops all night long on frosty nights in Sisters, all to the detriment of neighbors. My street, Alfalfa Market Road has greatly increased traffic largely due to Alfalfa grow operations, at all hours of the day and night.

Adding a huge commercial grow operation on a blind corner, of a well-traveled road, where speeds exceed 55 mph, would have significantly increased fatality risk on a road local residents are already avoiding, because of this safety issue. In this case it would have added a commercial business into an existing rural Deschutes County neighborhood.

Our family has owned a rescue and safety business for over 20 years. We pay State, Federal and County taxes, with corresponding state and federal license numbers. The growers can do the same, as they are business owners and should be treated as such, not undisciplined children who should expect to have their way. Additionally, they should be held accountable and liable for the packaging of their products, for example, which can be consumed by children.

There is already too much marijuana growing in this county than is used in the dispensaries, according to law enforcement and Z21 News. We need to not compromise our county based on this single industry.

Please consider locating these in Commercial areas, where they can be monitored. There is much to glean from Colorado. For example, Durango was just spot lighted in the news, as a former tourist destination, until pot and homeless people moved in.

We already have a lack of Code Enforcement, such as skunk smell so strong, it affects both the outside and inside of our homes, shipping cargo containers used for fencing, cars with blacked out license plates from Oregon and other states at all hours of the day and night. There are not just workers who travel to these grow operations, as proven by black market statistics.

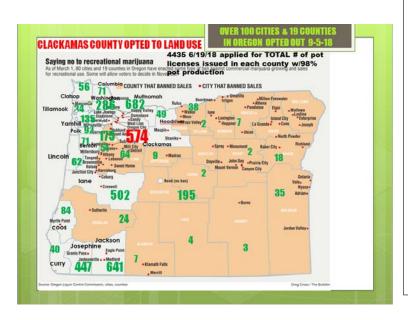
Oregrown now has Delivery service, as their large billboard displays in Bend. How are these growers transporting this federally illegal drug? According to Marijuana Retailing standards and criteria, the use shall not have a walk-up or drive-thru window service. Does this sound legal?

http://www.oregrown.com/ http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/oregrown-launches-home-delivery-of-craft-cannabis-300401093.html

http://www.ktvz.com/news/pro-skier-arrested-in-nw-bend-burglary-assault/397672125

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

- 449 Commercial land use applications 98% production-Clackamas County has now surpassed Josephine County which has 387
 - O Please note that Clackamas County was allowing more than one grow license per site address, meaning that some EFU acreages are being turned into industrialized rent-amarijuana grow barn facilities. We are aware of 4 sites that have been approved that is allowing one (54 metal grow barns) two (56 metal grow barns) three (6 metal grow barns on 4 acres) (89 buildings with 16 LLC lease to grow barns) each of which is issued a marijuana land use license, bringing the total to 574 marijuana land use applications being issued for Clackamas County to date.
- Over 98 complaints



	98% PRODUCTIO	M
	Oregon City	50
•	Boring	42
•	Canby	42
•	Sandy	30
•	Eagle Creek	23
•	Estacada	29
•	Clackamas	25
•	Beavercreek	19
•	Damascus	20
•	Molalla	17
•	Mulino	15
•	Milwaukie	11
•	Aurora	10
•	West Linn	7
•	Colton	5
•	Portland	4
•	Rhododendron	3
•	Wilsonville	3
•	Hubbard	2
•	Woodburn	2
•	Sherwood	3
•	Scotts Mill	1
•	Gresham	1
•	Welches	1

HISTORICAL VIEW: Oregon legalized marijuana in November of 2014 through a ballot initiative. In 2015 the legislature redefined marijuana as an agricultural farm crop through HB3400 which means that commercial marijuana can be grown and processed in all exclusive farm use areas without any neighbor notification. HB3400 also gave local jurisdictions **4 options** since marijuana is federally illegal.

- 1. LOCAL COUNTY AND CITY JURISDICTIONS COULD **OPT OUT** OF HAVING COMMERICAL POT GROWS, PROCESSORS, WHOLESALERS, & RETAILERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY IF THEY VOTED **55%** NO OR GREATER IN THE NOVEMBER 2014 ELECTION.
- 2. IF LOCAL COUNTY AND CITY JURISIDICTIONS GOT UNDER 55% THEY COULD SEND A REFERRAL TO THE VOTERS IN NOVEMBER OF 2016 AND LET THEM DECIDE IF THEY WANTED TO OPT OUT OF HAVING COMMERCIAL POT GROWS, PROCESESSING, WHOLSALING, RETAILING AS WELL AS ANY ADDITIONAL MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES OR PROCESSING SITES.
- 3. LAND USE REGULATIONS, WHICH MEANS THAT COUNTIES AND CITIES WITH LIMITATIONS FROM HB3400 CAN ESTABLISH THEIR OWN LAND USE REGULATIONS AND DECIDE WHAT ZONES, WHAT MANNER, AND WHAT RESTRICTIONS THEY WOULD INCLUDE SUCH AS LOT SIZE, REQUIRED SET BACKS, ODOR CONTROL, TRAFFIC CONTROL, USE OF ROAD EASEMENT REQUIREMENTS, BUILDING REQUIREMENTS, INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GROW REQUIREMENTS, ETC.
- 4. **DO NOTHING** AND LET IT GO TO THE STATE RULES.
 STATE RULES BASICALLY ALLOW COMMERCIAL POT TO BE GROWN IN ALL OF OREGON'S EXCLUSIVE FARM USE AREAS WITHOUT ANY NEIGHBOR NOTIFICATION OR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

Over 100 of the 241 cities and 19 of the 36 counties in Oregon have banned commercial marijuana in their cities and counties.

LAURA AND JOHN, HER HANDICAPPED BROTHER

Note: Civil Federal Rico Lawsuit filed against the Oregon Candy Farm/Chronic Creations and 226 oregon licensed defendants on 7-20-18

"I live in rural residential Clackamas County on a FF 10 Farm Forest zoned property. I have lived there for 23 years with my handicapped brother. We moved to the rural setting for the fresh mountain air, peace, tranquility, privacy and to enjoy a safer lifestyle.

Three years ago things began to change dramatically when my neighbor sold her business, the famous Oregon Candy Farm which made the best chocolates nationwide, to a California Investment Company who told her that they would continue the candy making business. They lied to her and neglected to tell her that they were buying the Candy Farm to start a marijuana grow and a marijuana extraction THC candy company. Imagine 100 skunks spraying next to your home. The smell became so obnoxious I couldn't even go outside. Soon to follow would be our loss of peace, tranquility, privacy and safety.

In the fall of 2014 stripping of the land began, tree removal, not to mention improper grading, illegal excavation of a huge holding pond to trap underground water which will eventually impact neighbors in a negative way with pesticide runoff, an ecological disgrace. Much of this was done without permits. I was told by the workers that green houses would be placed 30 feet from my barn and 120 feet from my front porch. Shear fear set in as I knew that it was a federally illegal drug and drugs bring undesirable individuals, behaviors and crime. Another major concern is that there is not enough law enforcement for our rural area for our protection.

One day I was standing on my front porch when a loud engine came roaring up from the lower part of the Candy Farm. It was a 3 wheeler without a muffler screaming across the stripped property. The harassment and bullying of riding back and forth along my fence line began. It was a 2 hours dust storm. Another day it was 2 loud dirt bikes plus the 3 wheeler. The dust flew for 4 hours that day and the noise was unbearable, it was like living next to a motocross.

Is this the business model of someone creating good relationships in their communities and improving the lives of the residents? Can they be trusted to be in compliance in regards to regulations in the marijuana industry when they have already been deceitful and non-compliant regarding regulations? We don't even have the law enforcement to make sure that these businesses are following the regulations. These businesses don't belong in the rural residential communities as the resident's safety, quality of life and property values are being jeopardized."













JACK AND BERNICE ON ONE SIDE AND TED AND SYLVIA ON THE OTHER

These families live on each side of the 4 acre EFU parcel. They have lived in this beautiful part of Clackamas County for many years and have retired here. In 2016 the property between these two neighbors was sold and then leased out to 5 Asian LLC to start an indoor marijuana production which totaled 9 new buildings. Neighbors have been devastated by the invasion of this large and criminal pot grow, from having their guard dogs kill neighbor's chickens to have unreported burglars in the middle of night this once quiet rural farming community of Oregon City, has been totally disrupted.

LOCATED AT: 13471 S. Leland Rd-Oregon City-Z0103-16

Owner of Property: Lulu Zhang 15130 SE Frye St., Happy Valley, Oregon 97086

Applicant proposed:

- 6 new greenhouses 30' x 100' (3,000 sg. ft.) which in Clackamas County are considered indoor grows and require only a **10' set back** from property lines of neighbors in EFU, TBR, and AG Forest and 100' set back if it would have been an outdoor grow.
- 3 new agriculture buildings 60' x 100' were proposed
- The total square footage of all proposed grow and processing space is 33,360 square feet. This does not include the estimated 10,000 sq. ft. that will be used to house 44 parking spaces. How many EFU farms actually factor in 44 parking spaces for their farm work?
- A new driveway is also proposed-total length listed on the site plan is over 500 feet in length







5 mail boxes

Neighbors mounted a campaign to oppose this commercial marijuana operation and put up signs noting unwantedpotgrows.com.

Water Verification: They have all filed a marijuana producer exempt water form and indicate that water will be met through rainwater collection (from the roof of the building) and recapturing water from the internal A/C and dehumidifier equipment, which together shall be gathered and drained into storage tanks. The storage tanks will then be used to deliver water to the internal rooms of the building. Estimated annual volume required from this Source 78,000 gallons annually. Estimated annual volume required from this Source: 52,000 gallons annually.



Neighbors yard which one day they looked out over a beautiful pasture and a view of Mt. Hood, now they look out over an 8' tall fence, greenhouses that block views, and pole barns.







6/20/17

Neighbor wears Hazmat protection to illustrate the strong smell of skunky odor that is coming from this pot grow 10' off of her property line and directly into their outside dining area. Waste manage is supposed to be stored in a secured waste receptacle n possession of and under the control of the OLCC licensee, yet many piles of burning pot is seen from many of these operations. DEQ is allowing commercial marijuana growers to compost over 100 tons per year and treating it just like any other crop.



Dumping spent dirt along property lines

PUBIC SAFETY IS KEY CONCERN AT MOST OF THE MEDICAL AND COMMERCIAL MARIJUANA LOCATIONS.

- 1. Unreported burglaries have taken place on this property.
- 2. Guard dogs have killed neighbor's livestock.
- 3. On Saturday 2-15-17 a man showed up at the neighbor's home indicating that he had just spotted his bobcat that was stolen at the pot grow next door. Police were called.
- 4. On May 23, 2016 criminals vandalized signs.

SHERRI AND KEN BORING

"My name is Sherri Markham. My husband and I have lived in rural Boring Oregon since November 1989, almost 27 years. We moved from Gresham to live and have our horses with us.

Up until January 2016 we lived next to a tree nursery located in an EFU zone exclusive farm use which is farmed under Oregon's "Right to Farm" Act. When pot became legal to grow in Oregon, a large commercial marijuana grow operation began without our knowledge. The pot farm has destroyed our livability.

The access road to the pot farm runs up the south side of our property and across the back.

- Daily approximately 50-60 cars fly up and down the gravel access road which has 5 MPH speed signs posted which means 30-55 MPH to pot growers.
- That does not include cars and trucks throughout the night or semis and other commercial vehicles, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

What was once was a tree nursery has turned into a non-stop source of noise, weird smells, and pink lights visible from our backyard, dumping their spent soil along our fence line and traffic. We can no longer use half of our almost 7 acres and can only safely put two of our horses on 1-1/2 acres behind the barn since pot growers take great joy in scaring the horses. Until the commercial marijuana grow operation came to be, you could hear a pin drop at night, it was so quiet.

Brad Troutner, the owner of the pot grow has 30 metal buildings on site with an application for an additional 24 buildings totaling 54 that he is leasing out to pot growers, turning this once quiet farming community into an industrialized marijuana grow operation. http://growunits.com/index.html





After 14 months of no sleep or peace I had had enough and had installed an UNWANTED POT GROWS.COM sign that was put in our front field on May 7, 2017.





Within an hour someone sent a picture to Brad Troutner who came onto our property to confront us on what we had done. There was a lengthy discussion which included him saying he was unaware of problems (my husband had spoken as recently as April 11, 2017 to his brother). Brad Troutner informed us that we might be putting ourselves in harm's way having the sign point to his access road. He didn't believe the problems we were and still are experiencing. I pointed out that I had recently been keeping a log with dates, time, and descriptions of the cars, trucks and even semi's. Pot grower's park along the fence line at night and have gab fests and arguments and play loud music in addition to the speeding. There are "NO PARKING" signs that Brad Troutner had to put up per Clackamas Country codes that are ignored. My husband and I were told that growing marijuana is no different than growing lavender or tomato plants.

I find it interesting that in all the years we have lived here that the property when it was a tree nursery did not create an inconvenience during their planting, growing and harvesting unlike the pot growers who go 24/7, 365 days a year. We own our property, we pay our taxes but we don't have any **RIGHTS**. I really want someone to explain why we have no rights. According to Clackamas County and the OLCC they have all the rights with no restrictions. I want someone to explain why there is nothing short of moving we can do. I can only imagine what this has done to our property value. Brad Troutner and the other Pot Growers do not live on site, they do what they want, when they want and leave."

NOTE: Brad Troutner-Troutner LLC 10770 SE 362nd, Boring, Oregon 54 Proposed metal grow barns in which he leases out to pot growers. This once 20 acre pasture has not been turned to an industrial zone with 50 to 100 cars going up and down this once quiet road. Some police are indicating that it is better to have these grows all in one place? Sounds pretty good unless you are the neighbors who live next to it! This does not belong in our rural residential farming communities! http://growunits.com

The stench of Hemp Grows

"I was under the impression as a human, that breathing clean fresh air was a right not a privilege in the state of Oregon. When the powers to be were granting unconditional rights to marijuana/hemp growers, it is clear that residences living around those pot farms were never considered.

The stench from the marijuana and hemp grow operation at $10770 \text{ SE } 362^{\text{nd}}$ Ave, behind our property has become intolerable. The skunk smell is not only overwhelming in the morning; we now have to deal with it in the evenings. On 9/20/2017 DEQ said there are worse smells. I have been told it's no worse than tomato plants.

Brad Troutner is now hanging marijuana/hemp plants outside in his silver RV cover/hanger exposing the skunk odors to everyone. The pictures I have attached are from the center of our back field. His first processing was on 8/30/2017 and he tried to conceal the pot/hemp with a tarp. The second round of processing was done 9/21/2017 and he isn't hiding anything. Please note the pictures of the piles of pot/hemp just lying on the ground. Why aren't there any regulations covering emissions of pot/hemp.

Since September 1, 2017 the air quality has gotten so bad especially when the east wind blows that working outdoors is almost impossible. Opening windows in our house is no longer an option morning or night. When the Eagle Creek smoke and ash was in the air the smell was not as debilitating.

I wonder if you would enjoy living next to or near a pot/hemp farm. I wonder what your family would think. So once again I ask, where are our rights?

Here is what these neighbors see from their barn blocking their once beautiful view of Mt. Hood. .



UPDATE 10-12-17

Large Commercial pot grow burglarized

http://katu.com/news/local/thieves-smash-walls-with-sledgehammers-steal-pot-plants-from-licensed-grow-facility

ALSO NOTED ON THEIR WEB SITE IS THE HUNDREDS OF BURGLARIES THAT ARE TAKING PLACE AT POT FACILITIES

http://growunits.com/security.html

There have been hundreds of break-ins and thefts in Portland, and the surrounding areas, related to the cannabis industry. Even we experienced one in our first year of operation. Resulting from this firsthand experience, and our determination to fortify, we continuously find ways to strengthen and protect not only our facility but each individual building. Not only do we have people working on site 24 hours a day, but we have contracted patrolmen who perform continuous watch of the barbwire parameters and all exterior walls of each and every building. With a monitored security gate at the entrance and over 100 cameras throughout the facility there's always many eyes watching. Laser trip wires, security loops, steel wall panels permanently bonded together, and 24 hour presence are a few of the tools that are used as deterrents and for maximizing protection of the facility. We have developed outstanding relationships with both Sandy Police and Clackamas County Sheriffs office. They have an excellent understanding of our facility layout and have their own gate codes for immediate access. We have learned there is power in numbers here. This "growing" community that we have all built together works together to protect everyone involved and everyone here contributes towards the night watchmen program.

STEVE AND HIS WIFE AND 2 CHILDREN

"I am submitting my family's testimony on what it has been like for the last two years living next to an illegal marijuana grow that moved into our once quiet and peaceful rural community. Below are some examples of the issues.

- Strong marijuana odors nearly every day (not just during harvest cycles)
- Strong chemical odors
- Burning of large piles of marijuana plant remnants
- Trespassing onto neighboring properties
- Heavy traffic, seven days a week, 24 hours a day, including large commercial trucks, cargo trailers and U-Haul vans
- Dumping of large amounts of marijuana plant remnants and used growing media onto the ground near water sources
- Loud weekend-long parties with amplified live music
- Unsupervised dogs constantly barking and repeatedly roaming loose onto neighboring properties
- Flagrant lack of respect for law enforcement, government, regulatory authorities, laws and regulations
- Complete lack of consideration for surrounding neighbors
- Intentional harassment of surrounding neighbors who don't buy into their ways
- The lack of county code and law enforcement which tends to provide the marijuana growers with an attitude of disrespect

The below photo says it all! On the t-shirt of the driver of this tractor it says "America "F.....K Yeah"



ROCKY AND JEAN

"In August 2013, a pot promoter and dispensary owner purchased the iconic "Oregon Candy Farm" near our property. The Candy Farm had existed from the 1970's until 2012, producing fine chocolate candies, sold worldwide.

The new owner is a *medical* grower and produces *edibles* for his *medical dispensaries*.



They are using the original "The Oregon Candy Farm" labels.

We have testified before our county commissioners and have visited our State Capital to speak with some of our legislators. We have learned a lot but most of all we have been dismayed by the lack of knowledge and concern most of our leaders have on this subject.

Of the 3448 plus medical grows in Clackamas County, we now have (since Jan. of 2016) 314 recreational grows to contend with. Poorly planned, poorly regulated, and with only 3 code enforcement officers in our county, impossible to oversee this federally illegal drug.

We have met with many property owners who have invested their lives and life savings into their property to retire on, or pass onto their children. Only to have mega grow operations move in mere feet off their property lines, inflicting them with the skunk odor of their products, 24-hour noise pollution, and 24-hour light pollution onto our once quite rural properties.

There are numerous examples of not only property infringements but severe crimes and deaths attributed to marijuana.

Oregon is one of the main suppliers of pot and related products for the United States. According to our State Police, 85% of pot grown in Oregon leaves the state illegally. Are these products leaving via federal highways, US Mail, fed-ex or UPS?

Our leaders claim (from county to our Governor) Oregon is collecting 20% tax on pot, (17% for state, 3% for counties). Now ask yourself, is this 20% on the 15% that stays in the state or 20% on the 100% grown in State?

There are numerous other examples, so I urge us all to educate ourselves. Realize that Oregon's so-called new pot policies are not curbing the "black market" it's feeding it.

Please do not let this "pot industry" inflict the damage to our country like so many have let the "opioid industry" do.

A local high school student made a video for his senior class project on the use of marijuana in our schools. You might want to take a look at it, as it gives a glimpse of the impact of marijuana on our youth, it is very alarming.

YouTube Cleveland High Senior Project/Marijuana Weed Documentary (2016) – High School: Marijuana in an American Public High School

The link is: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BApEKGUpcXs

My wife and I proudly display "Unwanted pot grows.com" on our truck, jackets, and property to promote a website to better inform the public on what we are facing. We have also placed signs on properties of other concerned citizens.









YAMHILL COUNTY

137 MARLIUANA LAND USE APPLICATIONS 98% PRODUCTION

MOE MOMTAZI AND HIS FAMILY MAYSARA WINERY

"I own and operate three businesses in Yamhill County, Oregon. In 1997, I purchased 496 acres of an abandoned wheat farm. With the following purchases of some adjacent properties, it has now grown to be 532 acres of pristine landscape in the foothills of the coast range outside of McMinnville, Oregon.

From the very beginning, our philosophy has been to try to take care of this land holistically without the use of any chemicals or minerals and to prove to other farmers that there are other alternatives to farming that not only would be profitable but also take care of the environment and produce healthy agricultural products. We have planted 260 acres of vineyards (mostly with Pinot Noir grapes) and our vineyard has been chosen as one of the top five of over 800 vineyards in the state of Oregon by Wine Enthusiast magazine fall 2016.

Unlike many other farms we have never applied for any help from the Agricultural department or any other private or government agencies. We have spent a lot of our own money on infrastructure at our property in order to make it a self-sustaining entity, therefore having no use for any sort of chemical or mineral that isn't already naturally occurring within the estate. In order to supply water, we have built two large reservoirs on our property for irrigation and hold the water rights to irrigate our farm.

After the passage of new marijuana law in the state of Oregon, our life and many other peoples have drastically changed for the worst when a new neighbor filed a land lot adjustment on his just purchased 6.74 acres of rural residential land that his parents attained with a home-loan from First Federal bank. The new owner never made any of the neighbors aware of his intentions and soon after the approval of

The new owner never made any of the neighbors aware of his intentions and soon after the approval of the land lot adjustment he filed with the county, started growing marijuana and posting the progress on his Instagram (@liftedllama). As neighbors, we didn't find out about his true plans until he had started an application for a concentrate processing facility in addition to outdoor marijuana grow on the 6.74 acres his parents bought under their "home-loan" with First Federal Bank.

We banded together with four of our close neighbors and appealed the counties decision and this is when our lives changed all together. We started getting threatening phone calls that our vineyard would be burned to the ground, our newborn calf was mysteriously killed and one of our cows' tail was found cut in half the same morning. With every news article talking about our appeal of the counties decision, the threats continued declaring that worse things await us unless we dropped the lawsuit.

The neighbors, myself and a couple of my staff worked tirelessly for two months working 10-12 hour days to collect data and information to prove that the existing laws prohibited the processing facility. On June 1^{st} , 2017 the commissioners voted 2 to 1 in our favor to overturn the county's decision to allow him to process marijuana concentrates at the site.

In the last couple years since marijuana has been legal in Oregon and California the marijuana industry has caused so much harm to the environment. They use scare tactics to threaten the citizens and it is so sad to see the state governments turn a blind eye to this matter. It's hard to see the local authorities do nothing to protect the innocent citizens living in this beautiful state.

I have also personally called the federal authorities to see what the federal government is doing about this and unfortunately I have been told that since there is no enforcement money allocated to them, their hands are tied and there is nothing they can do to enforce the law.

We also informed the First Federal bank which has mortgaged this property in order to make them aware of the federal law, but nothing has changed with the status of the mortgage either despite marijuana being grown on the land that was purchased with a home-loan.

Selling wine both nationally and internationally, Maysara Winery is very concerned that the volatile oil produced by a marijuana farm in such close proximity to our vineyard could taint our wine with THC and thus cause the federal government to prosecute us because of the legal status of selling THC contaminated wines across state lines.





UPDATE: Neighbors in the area have filed a lawsuit against the marijuana grower.

Judge: No 'blanket immunity' for aspiring pot growers facing lawsuit-a Judge has refused to dismiss a lawsuit filed by grape producers against a planned marijuana operation in Oregon's Yamhill County http://www.capitalpress.com/Oregon/20171124/judge-no-blanket-immunity-for-aspiring-pot-growers-facing-lawsuit

https://www.nytimes.com/2017/09/26/style/oregon-weed-farmers.html
http://koin.com/2017/04/21/mcminnville-winery-sues-to-stop-nearby-pot-grow/
http://www.oregonlive.com/pacific-northwest-news/index.ssf/2017/04/marijuana farm next door to ya.htm

MARIJUANA COMPLAINTS

NOTE: OLCC Oregon Liquor Control Commission who regulates the recreational marijuana program was asked how many complaints had been filed regarding the recreational marijuana program, below was their reply:

To date we have logged **598 complaints**. However this data includes licensees self-reporting outages and other issues. Some of the common complaints we receive are regarding discount violations, advertising violations, and inaccurate reporting in Metric.

In **Clackamas County** there have been over **98** complaints ranging from odor, noise, traffic, illegal water use, and illegal excavation.

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS

Citizen complaints have a consistent theme, odors so obnoxious we can't even site on our own from deck, out-of-state investors buying up lands (Washington, Montana, Colorado, Alabama, Florida, California, Arizona, Nevada) putting up 6' non see through fences with razor wire on top, increased traffic, bully behaviors, blocking once beautiful views, guard dogs killing neighbors livestock. Out of State investors are preying upon vulnerable properties which have not sold for a long time, then they are enticing elderly owners with large sums of cash down and getting them to carry the contract without telling them that they are going to grow pot. Out of State and in state investors are buying up horse stables and turning them into pot grows. Growers are setting up make shift green houses and blasting green house lights 24hours a day ruining night skies 10' off property lines. Putting up gates with no turn-around, pushing traffic into neighboring properties. Putting up security cameras that monitor not just their own property, but the neighbor's property, creating an invasion of privacy-neighbors have put up their own blocking screen. Many properties are clear cutting all of the trees off the property. Illegal grading of ground water ponds.

It is being touted that Clackamas County land use regulations are being used as a model for other counties, yet their land use regulations are the most liberal in the State and have opened up the door for commercial marijuana growing in almost every zone in the County and the industry is taking over various areas of the county. The County is allowing more than one commercial recreational marijuana license to be used at one site address, meaning a property owner on a 4 acre parcel can have his own commercial pot grow and then lease the rest of his land out to other commercial pot growers, filling the entire piece of land with commercial pot grows turning them into industrialized pot grows in our rural farming communities.

This is an EFU Exclusive Farm use area. http://www.clackamas.us/planning/marijuana.html



https://www.instagram.com/p/BZPT3-ygzI3/?taken-by=oregonrootsinc

OREGON MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION BILL ALLOWS 4 AT HOME GROWN MARIJJUANA PLANTS ABOVE IS A PHOTO OF 4 PLANTS IN THE BACKYARD OF A NE PORTLAND HOME I AM SURE YOU WILL NOTICE THAT THE PLANTS HAVE MORE ROOM THAN THE PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE CHILDREN AND AS WELL HOW CLOSE THE PLANTS ARE TO THE KIDS PLAY EQUIPMENT.

OKLAHOMA-6/26/18 medical marijuana

PENNSYLVANIA

RHODE ISLAND

RI **medical pot** regulators prepare for home delivery

The Providence Journal

R.I. **medical pot** regulators prepare for home delivery ... Gina Raimondo's proposal to **legalize** recreational **pot** this year, the Department **of** Business ...

SOUTH CAROLINA-CBD

SC Senators push medical marijuana vote to next year, take weed out of the bill The State

A decision by a key Senate committee on whether to **legalize marijuana for medical** use in South Carolina will have to wait until next year. The S.C. ...

SOUTH DAKOTA

TEXAS-CBD LEGALIZES POT OILS FOR EPILEPSY 6-1-15

Medical Marijuana Expansion Bill Headed to Texas House Floor

https://hightimes.com/news/medical-marijuana-expansion-bill-headed-texas-house-floor/

Texas House votes to legalize hemp, CBD oil, farming of industrial hemp

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TENNESSEE-CBD

UTAH-CBD-Medical Marijuana 2018-Proposition 2

Utah's **medical marijuana** program limits growing to 10 farms

Columbus Ledger-Enquirer

Utah will allow 10 growers to produce the state's **medical marijuana** — a limit that state officials say will prevent overproduction but a cannabis ...

Growing concerns over low number of legalized medical marijuana growers in Utah

PotNetwork

In late 2018, Utah legalized **medical marijuana**, and now it's developing state rules and regulations surrounding the new crop's production and ...

Growing concerns over low number of legalized medical marijuana growers in Utah

Apr 23, 2019

In late 2018, Utah legalized medical marijuana, and now it's developing state rules and regulations surrounding the new crop's production and dispersion.

According to the new law, Utah will only license 10 growers to farm marijuana. These cultivation caps restrict cannabis canopies to be no bigger than four acres outdoors, or more than 100,000 square feet indoors.

Justin Arriola, a cannabis business consultant and advocate told The Salt Lake Tribune that Utah could be setting itself up for a product shortage. Pointing to other state medical marijuana programs, Arriola argued that a lack of inventory has hampered patient choice when it comes to medical marijuana pharmacies.

For example, it is estimated that New Jersey will need to increase the number of cannabis growers to 24 growers from the previous six-licensed growers to supply nearly 180,000 patients by 2022. Connecticut has also faced inventory shortages, as they only have four licensed cannabis growers to develop enough product for 26,000 patients.

VERMONT July 2018 Legalized marijuana

VIRGINIA-CBD 2-23-18 WEST VIRGINIA medical marijuana

Judge Orders W.Va. City To Return 'Sensible Marijuana Ordinance' On Ballot

https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2019/04/22/sensible-marijuana-ordinance-west-virginia/

CLARKSBURG, W.Va. (AP) – A federal judge is ordering a city in West Virginia to put an ordinance that would decriminalize marijuana back on the June 4 ballot.

U.S. District Judge Thomas S. Kleeh decided on Friday that Salem city officials must return the "Sensible Marijuana Ordinance" on the ballot after the city removed it in February, citing concerns the ordinance may not stand up against existing state law after receiving an opinion from the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office.

Kleeh said removing the ordinance infringed on the plaintiff's First Amendment rights, but ordered the plaintiff's to pay the \$500 bond to cover the city's cost of reprinting the ballots.

According to the proposed ordinance, marijuana possession would still be against the law in Salem, but penalties for simple marijuana possession.

WISCONSIN-CBD

Oconto County Sheriff, Oconto police chief express doubts as marijuana support grows Green Bay Press Gazette

Tony Evers proposed decriminalizing **marijuana** and making it **legal** for treatment **of** some **medical** conditions, and Rep. Melissa Sargent (D-Madison) ...

Wisconsin GOP Won't Give Medical Marijuana Legalization the Light of Day

Weedmaps News

Democratic Gov. Tony Evers' proposal to **legalize medical cannabis** and small amounts **of** recreational **marijuana** will not pass the Wisconsin ...

Wisconsin marijuana legalization: Gov. Evers' plan met with GOP fear tactics | Casey Hoff

The Sheboygan Press

Despite the **latest** poll showing 83% support in Wisconsin **for medical marijuana** and 59% support for full **legalization of marijuana** for recreational ...

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WORLD NEWS

AFGANISTAN AFRICA



https://allafrica.com/view/group/main/main/id/00067552.html

Uganda Overwhelmed By Companies Wanting to Farm Marijuana

The health ministry says it is stuck with 20 firms competing to secure government clearance to grow and export marijuana for medical purposes. The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 2015 allows cultivation, production and exportation of medical marijuana and mandates the minister to issue written consent for medical marijuana.

 Uganda: 20 Firms Seek to Plant Marijuana, Government Stuck Monitor, 29 April 2019 The Health minister, Dr Jane Ruth Aceng, is stuck with 20 bids from companies and individuals competing to secure government clearance to grow and export marijuana for medical... Read more »



Photo: Yasin Mugerwa/ Daily Monitor

Police officers burn marijuana in Buikwe District. Uganda has laws prohibiting Marijuana production without clearance from the health ministry.

 Uganda: Ugandans Need Sensitisation, Not Anxiety, About Medical Marijuana Observer, 24 April 2019

A little over a year ago, my sister Lydia Namazzi Sekatawa succumbed to cancer in spite of the best efforts by doctors at Nsambya hospital to save her life. A month earlier, the... Read more »

ALBANIE ANTIGUA ASIA-Bangladesh

ARGENTINA Legalizes medical marijuana AUSTRALIA



https://drugfree.org.au/

AUSTRIA medical marijuana

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CANADA-dispensaries legalized in 2018
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From Underground To Above Ground For Colombian Marijuana Farmers

Benzinga

Medical marijuana is also part **of** this effort, albeit with a sense **of** irony ... **marijuana** can only be cultivated for products to be sold for **research** or for oils ...

Many business strategy books cite a common refrain: Following a crisis, there is opportunity. This is certainly true in South America and Colombia in particular.

For decades, Colombian farmers were caught in a triangle of violence between the Colombian government, narco-traffickers, and anti-government paramilitary organizations. For the farmers, coca leaves and marijuana plants were the preferred cash crop as they paid well despite the risks. Many farmers had no choice in the matter. The Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), the primary anti-government rebel group, paid farmers for the illicit crops which FARC then sold to finance their operations. At the same time, FARC disrupted infrastructure development within the prime agricultural areas it controlled. Thankfully, for the good of all concerned, those days have passed.

In December 2015, Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos' signed his medical marijuana decree into law legalizing large-scale medical marijuana production. In November 2016, the Colombian government reached a long-awaited peace deal with FARC, and with peace at hand, both FARC and the government agreed to replace illicit farms with legal crops. This included bananas, coffee, hearts of palm, tomatoes, vanilla, and cocoa for chocolate. Medical marijuana is also part of this effort, albeit with a sense of irony given the country's history with illegal drug trafficking and the failed war on drugs.

Colombia is perfectly positioned for commercial agriculture. It is temperate and receives abundant annual rainfall. The country's southwestern province of Cauca reportedly grows 50 percent of Colombia's medical marijuana. But there's a catch. Farmers who want to participate in the new medical marijuana program must first destroy their illegal, legacy marijuana crops.

Small family farms are limited to a half-hectare plot if they want to grow legitimate medical marijuana. They must also have a relationship with a licensed Colombian medical marijuana company or they must purchase expensive laboratory equipment to verify they are growing authorized marijuana. It is important to note that medical marijuana can only be cultivated for products to be sold for research or for oils and creams, and not consumer sales of the raw flower, which is part of the cannabis plant normally used for smoking. "The coming year will be a period of consolidation for Colombian cannabis companies," says Rodrigo Gomez, president of the Cannabis Industry Association. "Growers and refiners will begin testing products and honing in on a marketable portfolio. Investment is coming to Colombia because of the quality of the terrain."

Strict Cannabis Regulations

Colombia maintains rigid laws on illegal marijuana production and attention to the law is crucial. To that end, the Colombian government established four types of licenses along with technical documentation requirements. Clever Leaves is a perfect example of a leading vertically-integrated, licensed Colombian producer of pharmaceutical-grade medical cannabis. It is the first Colombian company authorized to export cannabis into Canada and sent its first shipment in February 2019.

Kyle Detwiler, CEO of Northern Swan Holdings, Inc., the company that helped secure Clever Leaves' import permit with Health Canada, has a persuasive perspective. "Colombia has the unique potential to become a global leader in the cannabis value chain, creating a sustainable plank of economic development for the country. As the demand for medical cannabis increases, Clever Leaves has the advantage to position itself as the leading exporter for pharmaceutical-grade cannabis."

Why This Matters

Literally from the ground up, Colombia has worked diligently in recent years to become one of the most sophisticated and comprehensive medical marijuana markets in Latin America. With a clear regulatory framework and the potential for large-scale, low-cost production, Colombia could become one of the largest global export leaders of medical marijuana. It's a plant that holds the possibility of improving the lives of millions of people, and it all begins with a farmer.

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GUAM-MEDICAL MARIJUANA

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HUNGARY IRAN ISRAEL ITALY

NOTE: A friend took this photo in Florence Itay on July 5th, 2018. Italy has opened the door to medical marijuana. This is one location with franchise locations in many other cities in Italy.



Pot plant grown inside the store

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Mexico Aims to Legalize Recreational Marijuana Before October

Motley Fool

In June 2017, Mexico became one **of** the aforementioned 40-plus countries to **legalize medical marijuana**, which is no small feat given the control

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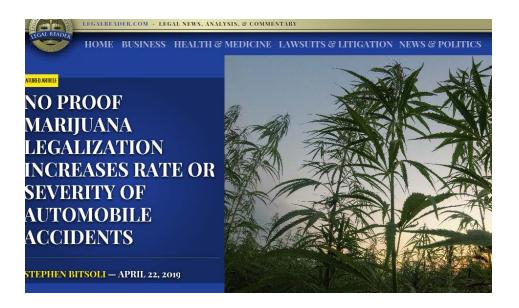
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https://www.legalreader.com/no-proof-marijuana-legalization-increases-rate-severity-automobile-accidents/

Federal ban on medical marijuana denies reality

By Paul Armentano, opinion contributor — 04/27/19 12:00 PM EDT 791

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https://thehill.com/opinion/civil-rights/440941-federal-ban-on-medical-marijuana-denies-reality



Here is what to expect Living next to a so-called commercial pot grow





OREGON Urban Oregon Legalized marijuana, but rural Oregon is paying the price

CARTEL TYPE BEHAVIORS

It was Urban Oregon who legalized

marijuana, but it is rural Oregon that is paying the price, and it was the Oregon legislature who redefined marijuana as an agricultural crop, which allowed large commercial marijuana grows to set up next to our rural residential farming homes bringing with them cartel type of behaviors. This was not voted on by Oregon voters.

In Oregon, rural residential farming communities are being inundated with out-of-state funders flooding in and buying up farm land to set up their so-called legal and licensed marijuana grows. Many have connections to drug cartels and are setting up shop next to our rural residential homes, bringing with them attitudes that are reflective of what law enforcement would call "aggravated threatening behaviors." Story after story from citizens across the state who are being impacted are being heard by local and federal government jurisdictions.

In Oregon, local cities and counties were given the option to "Opt In" or "Opt Out" of medical and recreational marijuana. Of the 36 counties in Oregon over 19 of them have opted out and of the 241 cities over 150 have opted out.

- In Clackamas County we have **554** marijuana land use applications that have been applied for with 98% for marijuana production. As noted in the news Oregon has a significant marijuana overproduction problem.
 - https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/oregon-has-big-pot-overproduction-problem-u-s-attorney-says/
- Over 98 complaints have flooded the code enforcement office
- The Oregon Liquor Control Commission has received over 598 complaints as of Aug. 2017
- \$1.1 million of extract products were diverted to Nebraska from a licensed business in Clackamas County.
 - https://www.oregonlive.com/washingtoncounty/index.ssf/2017/11/oregon_man_arrested_nebrask a_cannabis_extract_marijuana.html
- Drug dealers are taking 20 acre parcels and turning them into industrial marijuana grow barn zones, leasing them out, filling the entire acreage making them targets for robberies and burglaries. 10770 SE 362nd Ave. Boring, Oregon Grow Units LLC http://growunits.com/contact-us.html http://katu.com/news/local/thieves-smash-walls-with-sledgehammers-steal-pot-plants-from-licensed-grow-facility





THESE GROW BARNS HAVE BLOCKED THE ONCE BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF MT. HOOD THAT THE NEIGHBORS HAD AND HAVE INCREASED TRAFFIC FROM 100-150 CARS A DAY

NOVEMBER 2017



JANUARY 2018





MARCH 2018









MAY 2018







JUNE 2018



JULY 2018



5 acre parcels are being taking and turned into industrialized lease a marijuana grow barn. From side to side and front to back every inch of the property is being used and turned into industrialized leased marijuana grow barns. 13471 S. Leland Rd, Oregon City, Oregon







6/20/17

Imagine your once beautiful drive down a rural county road now harbors 10' high fences with barbed wire on the top. 68687 E. Barlow Trail Rd, Rhododendron, Oregon





• Imagine now that your rural community now has marijuana dispensaries driving down the street in their jazzed up vehicles to deliver marijuana direct to your home. Smoke on the Mountain dispensary 23860 E. Arrah Wanna Blvd, Welches, Oregon



There are many marijuana growers in the industry who are victimizing rural citizens with cartel like behaviors and please this cannot be blamed on the fact that this is a new industry, which is something we hear from the pot industry. This industry has been regulating themselves for a long time, and in fact they did a better job as a black market than they are doing as a so-called legal market, because they had to be out of sight and control their odor. Now they are obnoxious, arrogant, disruptive, and bullying neighbors saying that "there is nothing neighbors can do because marijuana is now legal in the State so we can do whatever we want 24/7 in the rural farming communities." I have always said that the hardest part of regulating this industry will be taking the criminal behavior out of the mind of those involved.

THE CARTEL TYPE BEHAVIORS THAT OREGON IS EXPERIENCING ARE:

- sexual threats to women
- drone flights over neighbors
- discharge of firearms, after a confrontation with a neighbor
- neighbors stalked by employees with side-arms
- explosive outbursts of profanity; and verbal demands to get off of our own street
- Gun shots at bedroom windows because neighbors opposed a grow next to their home and wouldn't sign road easement use petitions and poisoned pets of those who oppose a large pot grow next to their homes.





- In Yamhill County an organic winery is suing a grower because of impacts to his grapes and the cartel type drug dealers have:
 - Threatened to burn down their winery



killed his baby calf and cut in half the tail of the mother







 a few months ago they broke into his daughters home, while she was there and burglarized her computer and paperwork related to their court case

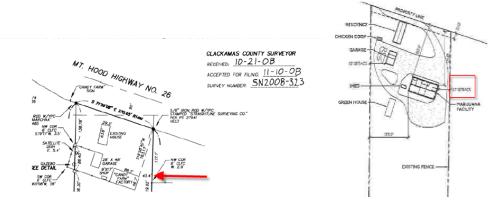




• Citizens are filing Federal RICO lawsuits and buying weapons just to protect themselves

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• Licensed OLCC operators are <u>lying</u> on land use applications to try and meet regulations and they are lying in hearings about neighbors, saying it is the neighbors who are threatening them by waving guns at them, yelling profanities at their children, and threatening to kill their dogs. The below is an example of a land use application that was submitted to Clackamas County in which the required set back was 50'. The applicant submitted a drawing that shows the set back at 57'. Local surveys show the setback at 43'. Local land use officials do not do on site visits, making it easy for applicants to submit misrepresented information. The Oregon Candy Farm-48620 SE Hwy 26, Sandy, Oregon



- Many in the marijuana industry simply are not abiding by any locally imposed land use regulations and are just doing what they want – basically creating anarchy with locally imposed laws and regulations
- increased <u>traffic</u> 60 to 1000 times great than what the community is used to with suspicious out-ofstate vehicles, semi-trucks, cement trucks, large semi-trucks bringing in imported dirt and pot grow lighting







- diesel generators running 24/7
- allowing guard dogs to bark for hours to annoy neighbors, many using the great pyrenees known for their consistent barking



• racing quads up and down property lines to irritate neighbors





• cars and drivers harassing horses on neighboring properties



- **skunk smells**. If your dog has ever been sprayed by a skunk you know you don't let them in the house, yet stinky pot smells are infiltrating neighboring homes to the point that they can't even have their windows open.
 - Chemical smells have triggered headaches, asthma and respiratory problems turning this into a public health issue.
- illegal water usage from lakes, ponds and creeks. In fact many residents are having to put in new well's at the cost of \$30,000 to \$40,000 dollars, because they suspect that water hog pot grows are diminishing the water supplies. This local property in Gresham, Oregon purchased by a medical pot grower reveals how water is being illegally used.





From a citizen's view, while what has been conveyed as lofty marijuana regulations, it is actually the citizens that are the enforcers, through complaints, as many cities and counties enforce based on complaints only, which means that hundreds of illegal and so-called legal pot grows go unregulated because there are no regulations that require annual on-site visits.

And for those Governors and elected officials and marijuana industry proponents who tout that the marijuana tax and regulate program is a success bringing new tax income and jobs, I would have to question their definition of success as it is clear that they are not conveying or telling the truth regarding the collateral damages that are being caused by State medical and recreational marijuana programs. In the last Oregon Liquor License Commission 'sting' 1 out of 5 dispensaries sold pot to minors.



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I wonder, would the Oregon voters have said yes, if they would have been told that a large commercial marijuana grow was going to show up next to their rural residential home? I don't think so!

The stakeholders of our States are the citizens who live there, who must become aware of this devastating impact and then be civilized enough to stand up and speak out about what is happening in States who are allowing marijuana to be legalized through ballot initiatives.



PAST ACTION ALERTS



WRITE ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL WHITAKER

Attorney General of the United States

The Hon. Matthew G. Whitaker

Acting Attorney General

Salutation: Dear Mr. Attorney General

Department of Justice Room

4400

Jeff Sessions, US Attorney General Dept. of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Ave., NW

Washington, DC 20530-0001

202-514-2001 and Switchboard 202-514-2000 FAX: 292-307-6777 Email:

askdoj@usdoj.gov

It is important since AG has rescinded the Cole Memo that you write, send e-mails, and have meetings with your local US Attorney to convey your concerns regarding the impacts of marijuana in your community.

Please **CALL THE WHITE HOUSE** and encourage our President to enforce federal laws on drugs.

http://dailysignal.com/2017/02/27/how-trumps-doj-can-start-enforcing-federal-marijuana-law/

Citizens need to write to Congress and ask that federal pot laws be enforced

https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact#page

President Donald J. Trump

White House

1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20500 · (202) 456-1414 (202) 456-1111

- Call between 9am and 4pm Standard time.
- You can also send an email directly to the White House at the below link:

https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact#page

Mrs. Kellyanne Conway

White House phone number: 202-881-8914

assistant is Tom Joannou and may answer Kellyanne's office phone.

4. His email: Thomas.W.Joannou@who.eop.gov

5. Her direct email: Kellyanne.Conway@who.eop.gov

6. Send your letter:

The Honorable Kellyanne Conway Counselor to the President The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Washington, DC 20500

COLE MEMO RESCINDED



Office of the Attorney General Washington, D. C. 20530

January 4, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS

FROM:

Jefferson B. Sessions, J Attorney General

SUBJECT: Marijuana Enforcement

In the Controlled Substances Act, Congress has generally prohibited the cultivation, distribution, and possession of marijuana. 21 U.S.C. § 801 et seq. It has established significant penalties for these crimes. 21 U.S.C. § 841 et seq. These activities also may serve as the basis for the prosecution of other crimes, such as those prohibited by the money laundering statutes, the unlicensed money transmitter statute, and the Bank Secrecy Act. 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956-57, 1960; 31 U.S.C. § 5318. These statutes reflect Congress's determination that marijuana is a dangerous drug and that marijuana activity is a serious crime.

In deciding which marijuana activities to prosecute under these laws with the Department's finite resources, prosecutors should follow the well-established principles that govern all federal prosecutions. Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti originally set forth these principles in 1980, and they have been refined over time, as reflected in chapter 9-27.000 of the U.S. Attorneys' Manual. These principles require federal prosecutors deciding which cases to prosecute to weigh all relevant considerations, including federal law enforcement priorities set by the Attorney General, the seriousness of the crime, the deterrent effect of criminal prosecution, and the cumulative impact of particular crimes on the community.

Given the Department's well-established general principles, previous nationwide guidance specific to marijuana enforcement is unnecessary and is rescinded, effective immediately.1 This memorandum is intended solely as a guide to the exercise of investigative and prosecutorial discretion in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, and appropriations. It is not intended to, does not, and may not be relied upon to create any rights, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any party in any matter civil or criminal.

THE FDA AND INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO FILE A COMPLAINT

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-10-03/fda-hints-it-may-look-into-medical-marijuana-healthclaims FDA Hints It May Look Into Marijuana Health Claims Complete and submit the **report** online:

www.fda.gov/MedWatch/report.htm

OR

https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/medwatch/index.cfm?action=consumer.reporting1

How to answer the first few questions of the form:

"What kind of problem was it?". - check the box "noticed a problem with the quality of the product"

"Did any of the following happen?" – check the box "other serious/important medical incident" In the box – please describe – type "FALSE medical claim"

"Date the problem occurred" - put the date you saw the false claim

"Tell us what happened and how it happened" – give web site, location of billboard, etc, site the medical claim being made for marijuana

"List any relevant tests of lab data" – leave blank

"Please select the cause of the problem that applied below" - check box "For a problem with a product, including:..."

More info on the FDA web site about reporting scams:

https://www.fda.gov/forconsumers/protectyourself/healthfraud/default.htm

https://www.fda.gov/forconsumers/protectyourself/healthfraud/ucm359553.htm

President Trump announced that he is considering legalizing marijuana. Please call the **White House 202 456-1111**, and tell them that you are against legalizing marijuana. Wait for the comment line and voice your opposition. Also comment here https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/

WEEDING OUT COMMERCIAL MARIJUANA OPERATIONS

Community activists in Sonoma County are fight backing against commercial pot operations by notifying the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) that the banks are violating FDIC policies. This could also subject the bank to civil RICO suits under *Safe Streets Alliance v. Alternative Holistic Healing*, 859 F.3d 865 (10th Cir. 2017). The FDIC has the authority to remove any bank from its mortgage insurance coverage, which might terminate the bank's existence.

The letters can be sent anonymously and are copied to the president of the bank to encourage prompt action by the lender. The information provided includes the property address, parcel number, borrower's name, date of the deed of trust (mortgage), and document number. This information is public and is readily available at county real property offices.

A typical letter states "The XX Bank may not be knowingly financing commercial marijuana operations, but this letter provides such notice. The bank should scrutinize its portfolio, especially land owned as limited liability corporations, with a goal of finding other loans on property that is on the county's list of marijuana permits and permit applications." It directs the bank to the Sonoma County agencies that issue marijuana permits where a list of marijuana properties can readily be obtained.

Letters for banks or other lenders in California, Oregon, Washington, and other western states can be sent to:

Regional Director Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation 25 Jessie Street, Suite 2300 San Francisco, California 94105

The Securities and Exchange Commission is also contacted to ask if the bank has violated security laws by not disclosing its financing of commercial marijuana activity to investors on Form 10-K, Form 10-Q, or Form 8-K filings. Those complaints can be filed online at https://www.sec.gov/whistleblower and if fines are assessed against the bank the whistleblower may be entitled to a reward.

This activity has been a success. At least two marijuana operations have been shut down and one bank is scrutinizing its entire loan portfolio to "weed out" marijuana operations.

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