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Subject: Re: Marijuana legalization

Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 27 Jul 2005 22:17:09 GMT

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SEAL wrote on Wed, 27 July 2005 16:20-Gets rid of dealers, and thus a supposed source terrorist funding

- Saves money on FBI and DEA funding

- Allows police to focus on crimes that are actually dangerous to the public

- Has medicinal qualities

- Could possibly bring in more revenue through taxation

- People are more likely to do pot than harder drugs if it is readily available (as seen in data of drug use in areas that have legalized or decriminalized marijuana)

Your comparison doesn't even work, either. It's more like having battery and murder legal while assault being illegal.

- Won't get rid of dealers, they'll just move on to something else. The drug scene isn't "I want to give weed to the world", it's "I want to make money".

- Won't save money, it will just be diverted to other areas of operation. But then the same could be said if people stopped using Marijuana.

- People not touching Marijuana would also allow police to concentrate on other areas.

- You don't need to legalize "public useage" of marijuana on order for it to be given medically.

- Legalizing all drugs could bring in even more tax dollars! Lets use this as a reason for allow cocaine to be legal again!

- Irrelevant. "Lets do something legal and get high, instead of doing something illegal!" I bet you'd get similar results if you made Speed legal, and Marijuana remained illegal.

In short, all things could be solved by people NOT using it, so why are those arguements used to suport using it?

My comparison doesn't work? You're saying that actually hitting someone/killing them is better than threatening to hit them? The comparison works fine. What you are doing is trying to make the comparison of assault= marijuana and battery/murder = tobacco/alcohol. What you are failing to do is use what I am actually comparing. That being legalizing something simply because it "does less harm".

Edit: just as a further comment to continue what gbull wrote. Inagine how much MORE money you could have saved by not smoking Marijuana.

I don't know the exact figures, so lets make some up. Say one roll costs \$2.00. You start when you're 21, and smoke 1 a day for the rest of your life. Lets say you live to be 70.

$70-21=49$  years at 1/day.

$49*365=17,885$  rolls smoked at \$2.00 a roll.

$17,885*\$2.00=\$35,770.00$  spent on Marijuana.

I'd rather get a car.

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