
Subject: Re: Marijuana

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j_ball430 wrote on Wed, 17 January 2007 07:55warranto wrote on Wed, 17 January 2007 09:12Darkknight wrote on Tue, 16 January 2007 20:59A business owner should have the right to allow smoking. Cigarettes are not illegal. If you don't like the smoke don't visit the business. No one is holding a gun to your head forcing you into a place that allows smoking.

You own the land you should have every right to allow a LEGAL substance on your property.

It's a public establishment. Meaning it has to be accessible to ALL of the public. Which is why laws like this are allowed to come into effect.

If it were a private establishment, then I could see your argument.

No... if it was a public establishment then businesses like bars couldn't have bouncers standing in the front turning away people they don't want in the club. It's NOT a public establishment.

Heh, and this is what I get for trying to use the common terms, rather than legal terms.

By "public" I mean ones that are not "authorized (wrong word, I know) for exemptions to laws. Private establishments can discriminate, choose who can be a member, etc. Bouncers can not. They most likely do it, but they skirt around the law by trying to come up with reasonable excuses as to why the alleged discrimination was allowed.

On the other side, just to bring in another argument, is the employee factor. Many of the employees of bars are quite glad about the new law banning smoking, and fully endorse it. So that more or less puts the business in a bind. If the employees want it, then what can be done except go along with it?