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Subject: Re: Drugs ARE NOT bad

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Quote:Again, you've even admitted that someone being under the influence doesn't always impede on your rights. More times than not, they don't. I'm not defending those who impede on your rights. Those people should be punished for impeding on other rights. However, my drinking inside of my home should not be (and thankfully is not) illegal. The same, logically, should be for smoking pot.

Guess what, you are arguing for the legality of drugs... NOT the legality to use it in your own home. There is a HUGE difference there.

Using drugs in public DOES affect my right to be free from that kind of influence. IT may not impede on my specific rights at any given time, but unless you are suggesting I stay in my house, there is the potential that it will. All I have to do is walk outside, near someone who is smoking it. THEN it affects my right to be free from that influence.

Quote:Heh. It's my job as a parent to teach my child the difference between a want and a need. It's my job as a parent to teach my kids the difference between right and wrong. That's not the job of my government. My government's job is to protect me from external threats, not myself. I don't need nor want my hand held, especially by my government. If you want your hand held, then you can seek that help. Don't force it upon me because you're too fucking selfish to realize that I have the right to do whatever I please in the privacy of my own home or place of business that's willing to let me do as I please.

The same is said for the law. The external threat of pot is the altered brain chemistry that may affect someone else. Stop it at its source, and you no longer have to worry about it.

An automobile is controlled by humans, therefore if a human is of the sort that will hurt others by being in the vehicle, stop the human from driving. A drug is of the sort that controls the human by altering the brain chemistry. If the drug is of the sort that will hurt others by being consumed, stop the drug from being consumed.

Quote:What I see is someone so pretentious that they can't understand why people should be responsible for themselves. I'm an adult, and if I'm allowed to die for my country and vote for my elected leaders, I should have the responsibility of determining what goes into my body and how I react because of it.

Oh, I understand why people should be responsible for themselves, the problem is that people ARE NOT ACCEPTING that responsibility. I bet, with 100% certainty, that should you ever get into legal trouble for committing an act while high, you will claim that you should not be responsible because you were high at the time and did not know what you were doing. People already do that with Alcohol, what makes you think pot will be any different?

Quote:The "I deserve it because I want it" argument DOES fly because I'm a legal adult deciding my own fate. You choose what food you eat. You choose when you leave the house, take a shower, go to bed, watch TV, access the internet, etc... What makes this any different?

If it flies for this, it flies for everything someone would want to do. Are you sure you want to admit that? I'm a legal adult deciding my own fate. I should be allowed to kill as well.

You have yet to provide an argument that can not be extended to allow violent crimes as well.

The difference is that the simple act of eating, leaving the house, showering, going to bed, watching TV, accessing the internet, and yes, even smoking (whatever) does not affect anyone to any extent. Guess what? There are reasons why trans fats are becoming illegal and tobacco smoking is becoming illegal... because they harm to an excessive extent."Eating" does not, by nature, harm to any extent. Eating certain types of food do that regardless of how little is eaten. "smoking" by default, does not harm the body (for argument's sake). Smoking certain things, however, does. Changing your brain chemistry does the same thing during the time you are high. Harm to the extent of a reduction of mental capabilities to that of ignorance during the time the person is high.

Quote:This is what responsibility is all about. Making the decisions on your own and suffering the consequences of your actions.

Then accept the responsibility that it is illegal, and stop making excuses as to why you do not like the law.

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