
Subject: Re: Marijuana legalization
Posted by [warranto](#) on Thu, 28 Jul 2005 01:25:11 GMT
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The post is too long to quote in one go, so I'll cut that part out.

Quote:So if you had to pay \$20 a month for medicine (for example), and then you didn't need the medicine anymore and used that twenty for food, that isn't beneficial to you?

Yes that would be beneficial, but not if that \$20 that could be for medicine or food went to get you high (unless you're trying to suggest that Marijuana is a credible food source).

[quote]It will reduce the number of dealers on the street. Coke is harder to come by and fewer people are willing to risk selling it.[quote]

I doubt it will reduce the numbers by any significant amount. Coke was only an example, substitute it for something less "dangerous" such as Speed, LSD, or even Exstasy.

Quote:Earth to warranto: if it were legal your total would be a very small percentage of that

As I said, I don't know how much it would go for or what it goes for now. It all adds up to basically the same thing though, just the variables would be different.

Quote:Pot and coke aren't comparable drugs.

Once again, the drug I used was an example. Feel free to substitute it for any other illegal drug you desire.

Quote:And another thing about saving money: taxpayers spend the MOST money keeping people who are convicted of weed-related crimes in jail more than any other type of convict. We could be saving BILLIONS of dollars if we didn't waste cell spaces with those people.

Then we should also legalize petty theft, and all the other misnomers. After all, think of how much money would be saved by not having those people in jail!

Quote:There needs to be a balance between benefit to the government and harm to the people.

So, as long as the "balance" is maintained, something could be as harmful as you want, as long as the government can receive equal compensation for it? If that's the case, let's legalize heroin and the government can simply tax it enough so that the "balance" is maintained.

Quote:Let me reiterate the comparison. Weed is less harmful than alcohol, yet alcohol is legal and weed isn't.

Substituting your own comparison to make it look like mine, simply to try and discredit me doesn't work.

Quote:What the fuck are you trying to accomplish with that point? OF COURSE advocates of

marijuana legalization like marijuana. What an amazing discovery!! Hey, did you know that people who don't advocate using animal fur LIKE animals?!?! CRAZY!

You missed her point. The only reason Marijuana users want to see it legal is because they will benefit from it. They have a highly biased view of the situation. If someone who did not use Marijuana, and was not benefiting from the outcome, said that it should be legal, much more credit would be given to the legalization side. As it currently is, the only reason you are arguing to legalize it is so that you can continue to use it without fear of prosecution.

Quote:How exactly did you miss the point AGAIN that if it were to be legal it couldn't be done in a public place?

Family members would still have to contend with it. Though I do wonder how a newborn acts while high on the second hand smoke...

Quote:The same COULD be said if people stopped using pot, but that's not realistic. That would NEVER happen, so don't bring it up as a point.

The simple fact that people are so weak that they can't stop should have no bearing on whether or not something should be legal. People will never stop killing other people or stealing what isn't theirs, so you're saying those should be made legal as well, simply because people will never stop doing it?
