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Subject: Re: Splitting the record - about the virtual lock

Posted by [Dover](#) on Tue, 01 Sep 2009 03:59:27 GMT

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spotelmo wrote on Mon, 31 August 2009 20:42 alcohol doesn't change everyone's personalities and isn't addictive to everyone. for example, i can have an occasional drink and not get addicted, not drive drunk, not steal to support my drinking habit. some people can't do that.

The same could be said for pot.

spotelmo wrote on Mon, 31 August 2009 20:42#1 big business - many people from bar owners to waitresses to distillers would be out of business.

The potential is there for pot, too, as nations that have it legalized have shown.

spotelmo wrote on Mon, 31 August 2009 20:42#2 taxes - government makes big cash off of alcohol(same to be said for cigarettes)

See above.

spotelmo wrote on Mon, 31 August 2009 20:42#3 the guys in charge don't want to stop drinking - can you imagine telling people like ted kennedy(when alive), tip oneill and joe biden that they can't drink anymore?

I'll ignore the snipe at democrats, there. Can't you leave Ted Kennedy alone even after his death?

In any case, the people in charge speak for their constitutants. There (Rightly) isn't the public will to try prohibition again, as history has proven that it just doesn't work. This applies for Republicans, too; I don't see any of them pushing for heavily alcohol regulation.

spotelmo wrote on Mon, 31 August 2009 20:42#4 the relative ease of regulating and taxing alcohol over other illegal drugs

Care to expand on this?

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