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Citizens for a Safe and Healthy Texas



Dear CSHT members,

We need your help to stop the marijuana expansion in Texas.

Please copy the letters below and send them to your <u>Senators</u>, <u>Lt. Governor Dan Parick</u>, and <u>Governor Greg Abbott</u>.

We have three bills to oppose.

Bill 2593

Please send this letter to the <u>Senate Committee on State Affairs</u> and your State <u>Texas</u> <u>Senator</u> (should be the 4th person on the list).

Name address phone email address

Bill # HB2593

Dear Texas State Senator,

Please oppose bill HB 2593 to reduce penalties for a certain amount of marijuana possession including high potency concentrates. High-potency marijuana is a dangerous drug

and the people who are using these products will need some type of accountability that will not affect their mental health, physical health, education, and well-being.

This past week Colorado's Speaker of the House, Alec Garrett, introduced a bill, <u>HB 1317</u> to call for an expert panel to recommend a potency cap on all marijuana products. Hundreds of witnesses showed up and testified how these high-potency THC products have caused <u>addiction</u>, <u>psychosis</u>, <u>cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome</u>, <u>violence</u>, and is a factor in teen <u>suicides</u> in Colorado.

It's important that we pay close attention to what's happening in Colorado and not enable the use of these dangerous products. HB 2593 will normalize and increases the use of marijuana while our families pay a heavy price.

Thank you for your service,

your name

HB 1535

Please send this letter to the <u>Senate Committee on State Affairs</u> and your State <u>Texas Senator</u> (should be the 4th person on the list).

Name address phone email address Bill # HB 1535

Dear Texas State Senator,

Please oppose bill HB 1535.

States fail to regulate CBD and other marijuana products. Medicine is approved by the FDA, not by public opinion or anecdotal claims. Medicine doesn't contain contaminants like heavy metals and pesticides. It has animal and human trials, known harms and risks, proper dosages, and frequency of use. Please allow the FDA to use science to determine what is and isn't medicine like they did with Epidiolex (CBD) and Marinol. These medications come with warnings and known side effects.

*Former Surgeon General, VADM Jerome Adams states, "There Is No Such Thing As Medical Marijuana." Please listen to this <u>2-minute video</u>

*Opioid overdoses have increased in medical marijuana states. Marijuana proponents like to cite a study that looked at trends up to 2014, but when you expand the data to 2017, you see that opioid overdose has increased by 22% even prior to the Covid crisis.

*Science shows <u>marijuana worsens PTSD symptoms.</u> Please do not promote the use of marijuana to treat our Veterans; it may likely harm them. Marijuana contains a chemical called THC that can cause <u>psychosis</u> and increase the risk for <u>suicide</u> up to seven-fold.

Calling marijuana medicine is a dangerous message. All medications should be determined by science, not public opinion. There is no need to expand marijuana laws for medical purposes because there are already FDA-approved medications, like Epidiolex and Marinol, that can be prescribed by a medical professional.

Thank you for your service and time, sign your name.

Bill HB 3498

Find your State <u>Texas Senator</u> (should be the 4th person on the list).

Name address phone email address Bill # HB 3498

Dear Texas State Senator,

Please oppose bill HB 3498, the bill for Hemp research. There are already thousands of studies on Hemp and CBD found on PubMed alone. Texas taxpayers don't need to fund more.

Epidiolex is the only regulated FDA-approved CBD product on the market that can be prescribed by a medical professional. It has been through human trials and could be a life-saving medication for some children who experience dangerous seizures. Some of the <u>side effects</u> of Epidiolex are liver damage, sleepiness (it is not recommended to use while driving), interactions with other medications, and suicidal ideations.

Also, there is a life-threatening side effect from all cannabinoids including THC and CBD called <u>Cannabinoid Hyperemesis Syndrome</u>. This syndrome causes severe vomiting and abdominal pain and if the use of cannabinoids is not stopped, CHS can cause <u>death</u>.

Thank you for your service and understanding,

your name

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