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Would Law Enforcement save resources by legalizing marijuana? NO!

California law does not allow for the jailing of persons for possessing small amounts of marijuana. Legalizing marijuana would actually create new and greater demands on the police.

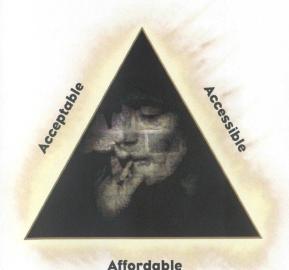
- With public acceptability use and intoxication would rise.
- The number of impaired drivers would increase, causing more traffic deaths.
- Expanded access by hundreds of thousands of kids would siphon away police resources.
- Legalization would not eliminate the black market or organized crime. Black market sales to kids would expand. High potency marijuana would continue to thrive on the black market.
- Taxation would return buyers to the black market.

Let's Use Common Sense

- We already have serious problems created by abuse of alcohol. Legalization of marijuana will only add to the current level of social and economic problems.
- In 2009, UCLA reported that Marijuana was the number ONE cause for people entering drug treatment programs, in the Los Angeles area, surpassing Alcohol, Cocaine and Meth.
- In 2002, a U.S. Government study determined that 4.3 million Americans were abusive users of marijuana.
- Why do you *think* they call it dope? Just use common sense.



- The Risk Triangle -



- Worldwide experience demonstrates when a drug becomes socially *Acceptable*, *Accessible* and *Affordable*, it leads to increased use and addiction.
- Just as seen in Europe, and even Los Angeles, marijuana retailing brings neighborhood decline and a rise in localized street crime.
- Your No Vote will not interfere with a patients access to medical marijuana.

Would Marijuana taxation help our budget? NO!

American's abuse of alcohol and cigarettes costs 10 times more than the taxes they generate.

Alcohol/Cigarettes

Health/Police Cost \$385 Billion

Taxes generated \$40 Billion

Net Loss - \$345 Billion

Marijuana?

- Marijuana combines the intoxicating effects similar to those of alcohol with the health risks associated with cigarettes. Marijuana is a two way loser.
- The legalization of marijuana would not help or improve our society; in fact it's a dangerous gamble.

Understanding Your Vote...

The human mind is man's greatest gift.

Responsible adults have an obligation to themselves, their families and society to stand against marijuana abuse and addiction. Legalizing pot is a costly bad idea.