

Legalization of Marijuana

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Assessment:

In the last decade, marijuana has been a major topic in society and a potential factor to change in policies. The legalization of Marijuana does not only allow the creation of new businesses but the change in verdicts and policies involving drugs will also change. Legalizing marijuana will not actually legalize marijuana due to many other drug policies that outlaw drugs like smoking indoors and smoking in public. If the youth decides that legalizing weed is not right then they are probably saying no due to the potential health impacts. The youth that supports the legalization of weed might choose legalization for two reasons. One reason is that they think people already do it illegally so why can't they just do it legally while contributing to the economy. The second reason for the legalization of marijuana is to reduce the incrimination of African Americans.

The legalization of marijuana has a multitude of benefits that outweigh most of the negative aspects. The main problem with legalizing marijuana is the repeal of other laws and releasing the current convicts who were imprisoned because of a marijuana charge. This is why it is important for aspiring lawyers to learn about the current marijuana crisis because it will be argued consistently in the future.

The legalization of Marijuana will appeal to the youth that supports the current equality movements. Marijuana has been an excuse for law enforcement to incriminate African Americans and other minorities in the past. This is a compelling argument because the white population is not nearly incriminated as African Americans are in society today. This statistic is usually one that does not stand out but due to recent events, it can be a very convincing factor in court. In the past there was a problem with all types of drugs and crises with the minorities and nothing was done about them until white people started to get caught up in the drug crises. This argument will appeal to the emotion of a typical jury especially if you really emphasize it.

The legalization of Marijuana will prompt change for a variety of laws and if the laws are not repealed the access of marijuana will not be accessible to all classes, which will be reduced the overall income. Housing acts in the country have stopped people from smoking in houses or apartments. This is significant because this limits the places people can go to smoke and even eliminates the places to smoke for the poorer population since smoking in public is also illegal. The appeal of the housing acts can be fought by using marijuana as a precedent in court and how the housing law interferes with the changed status of marijuana. Smoking in public won't need change if it is legal to smoke within homes and apartments.

The legalization of marijuana will boost the current economy of Texas while maintaining the society due to the existing use of CBD oils which are similar to cannabis. The legalization of marijuana will also reduce the rate of African Americans are incriminated which is a major factor in society today.

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