



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5899

LCO No. 1849

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
REP. CANDELARIA, 95th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 420b of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 that any person who possesses or has under his or her control less than
- 3 one ounce of a cannabis-type substance shall be fined five hundred
- 4 dollars for a first violation, be fined one thousand dollars for a second
- 5 violation and be subject to the penalties specified in subsection (c) of
- 6 section 21a-279 of the general statutes for a third or subsequent
- 7 violation.

Statement of Purpose:

To penalize a person who possesses less than one ounce of marijuana with a fine for a first or second violation rather than with a potential term of imprisonment.