

Dear Senators and Representatives of the House Judiciary Committee,

I am writing today to ask the members of the judiciary committee to support the scheduling of public hearings on bills HB6473 and/or HB6703 which would legalize and regulate marijuana.

Having just returned from Seattle, WA where it is legalized, regulated and taxed, I did not see or read in the news of any abuses (and I have been following WA and CO carefully), and the income generated by tax is outstanding. New England is on the cusp of legalizing, regulating and taxing and it would be a shame to see Connecticut losing out while our neighboring states thrive. I am a middle-aged female and my peer groups at home and in my career (at a CT hospital) also support the end of prohibition, whether they decide to purchase it themselves or not.

While I understand this can be a complex issue for many, I feel strongly that the public deserves the chance to voice their opinions to your committee. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

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