

Erpenbach Applauds Medical Marijuana Proposal

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We should legalize medical marijuana, as an ever growing list of organizations and individuals support decriminalization for medical use.

MADISON - Since 2009, I have been the author of legislation to legalize marijuana for medical use. In that time I have heard heartbreaking stories from people across the state who are using marijuana to alleviate serious medical conditions; People breaking the law to get their loved ones a medicine that works.

Legislators have long been behind the public on this issue. Recent polling showed that 59% of Wisconsinites support the legalization of all marijuana, but broken down into medical use the numbers are even higher.

In addition, thirty States and Washington, D.C., both red and blue, have passed effective medical marijuana programs, and no state has ever sought to repeal it. It is time for Wisconsin to join them in passing these regulations.



THESE ARE THE ONLY TWO STATES THAT HAVE A MEDICAL MARIJUANA PROGRAM. IN CALIFORNIA, THE PROGRAM IS A SUCCESS. IN NEW YORK, THE PROGRAM IS A FAILURE. THE REASON FOR THIS IS THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WAY THE PROGRAMS ARE RUN. IN CALIFORNIA, THE PROGRAM IS RUN BY THE STATE. IN NEW YORK, THE PROGRAM IS RUN BY THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY. THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY IS NOT INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF THE PATIENTS. THEY ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN PROFIT. THIS IS WHY THE PROGRAM IN NEW YORK IS A FAILURE. THE PROGRAM IN CALIFORNIA IS A SUCCESS BECAUSE IT IS RUN BY THE STATE. THE STATE IS INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF THE PATIENTS. THIS IS WHY THE PROGRAM IN CALIFORNIA IS A SUCCESS.