Most Kansans OK with medicinal marijuana

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A state lawmaker from Olathe recently made a feeble Doritos crack in attempt to belittle legislation that would allow the chronically ill to obtain marijuana by a prescription. Turns out, the jokeman, state Rep. Scott Schwab, is out of step with most Kansans.

Legalizing the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes has 58 percent support, according to a recent poll of 500 adults. SurveyUSA conducted the poll on behalf of Wichita TV station KWCH.

State Rep. Gail Finney of Wichita introduced a bill in Topeka authorizing "compassionate care centers" where Kansas-grown pot would be dispensed on physicians' orders. Finney has lupus, a condition that makes her sympathetic to those coping with illness. "There are people that silently use marijuana for their pain and for their comfort and I don't think they should be penalized for it," she told KSN-TV in Wichita.

Medicinal marijuana is legal in 14 states.

Tags:
Gail Finney, Kansas, marijuana, medical marijuana, Scott Schwab

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Did you know that the American Medical Association urges more research and development? Rep. Scott Schwab: Don't be so ignorant and sound so foolish with regard to something as serious as Medical Marijuana's effectiveness!

Posted On: Tuesday, Feb. 9 2010 @ 7:27AM

Kate says:
Pot's just not the devil Schwab's daddy must have told him it is. Though for medical uses, unfortunately, it has it's limits.

Posted On: Tuesday, Feb. 9 2010 @ 9:56AM

Po Thead says:
I support the legalization of marijuana for recreational as well as medical use, but I just wanted to say damn George Costanza for forever making lupus a funny disease.

Posted On: Tuesday, Feb. 9 2010 @ 10:20AM

Who wants SCHWAB / THE SAME? no one says:
I am now currently making a screw schwab facebook page because of his childlike complete one sided conservative comment that offended millions of people across our once beloved USA (that many of us literally kill and fight for). His original comment i believe was "It (medicinal cannabis) has no benefit for pain management. All it does is make you crave another bag of chips" Well, way to completelty blow off terminal illness and hurting U.S. citizens scott that have chose and will continue to choose despite your ignorance a natural medicine vs a synthetic physically and physycologically addictive opioid pain killer or alprozolam ect. No one would care if you gave a legitimate reason as to why cannabis should not be legalized for medicinal use. If only you took the advice and left it but no you decided to literally poke fun at serious issues that obviously dont need your "knowledge" or input. scott just doenst understand i guess hes never been in a situation where he might have to listen to someone else like 60 percent of the USA. OH YEA, GET A KICK OUT OF THIS. HE WORKS FOR THE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES LOL THAT IS SO HILARIOUS. SCOTT YOU ARE A FUNNY GUY. SHADY SCAM ARTIST'S THESE DAYS....

Posted On: Sunday, Apr. 4 2010 @ 8:19AM

Anonymous says:
i better not see you. because you are going to f ing hear it from me

Posted On: Thursday, Apr. 22 2010 @ 4:35PM

Anonymous says:
well another legal drugpusher trying to push there drugs on us. pretty sad that the pills they want you to take have more side-effects than what your problem is. just like all the mexicans coming over the border to grow legalize it and it wont happen anymore. some of the laws in this country are stupid. another problem is healthcare reform. i dont have a job how am i suppose to pay for. this country went to hell in a handbasket. i have hep.c and i have seizures taking those so call pills that help kill my liver. maybe one of these days somebody will pull the head out of there ( well) have a great day.

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