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Today's Buzz

Political action committee pushes for medical marijuana use in Florida

Viewpoints



Legalizing medical marijuana in Florida: A high-risk policy

A political action committee led by a stay-at-home mom from Orlando, Kim Russell, wants Florida to follow a dozen other states in legalizing pot for medical treatment. People United for Medical Marijuana has begun collecting signatures to get a constitutional amendment on the November 2010 election ballot; the committee would need nearly 700,000 signatures by Feb. 1.

- Mike Thomas: Medical marijuana? Orlando woman wants question put to a vote

What are other people saying?
Yes: People United for Medical Marijuana
pufmm.com

Marijuana is a Poor Excuse for a Medicine
Dr. Eric Voth/opposingViews.com

Should marijuana be a medical option?
medicalmarijuana.procon.org

Talk About It

Is it high time for Florida to join the dozen or so other states that have legalized marijuana for medical purposes? Supporters say the drug can relieve suffering for patients with Parkinson's, cancer and other illnesses, and generate more money for the state budget through a new source of tax revenue. Opponents say other legal

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Should medical marijuana be legalized?

Do you agree with Mike Thomas?

- Yes. What is really criminal is denying the sick and dying something that, at the least, might ease their suffering.
- No. I do not believe pot has medicinal benefits.

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drugs are available, and any exception for the sick will wind up making it easier for perfectly healthy people, including kids, to smoke pot. What do you think? Talk about it!

Smc: there's so much more to my ordeal....I've gone through hell with all of this. I hope people can support this...PLEEEASE... 10 Apr 09, 12:09

Smc: I've had all kinds of treatments, more pills than you can imagine and nothing helps me. I hurt, I hurt, I hurt...I went into a bullet ridden neighborhood to get some-that's how much I hurt. 10 Apr 09, 12:07

Smc: Omg-I've had Fibromyalgia for 16 years. THE ONLY thing that helps is pot. I'm in so much pain EVERY DAY OF MY LIFE. I recently got arrested for buying a TINY amt. off Paramore st. and I'm ****ed now 10 Apr 09, 12:05

D: back thousands of years ago ancient "Shaman" used to use marijuana as a medicine and was so important to them, they had their stash burried with them in their tomb. Don't believe me, look it up. 10 Apr 09, 00:41

D: legal it again already... its a mild herb compared to other intoxicants (like alcohol) 10 Apr 09, 00:37

agree519: Marijuana has its negative effects, but so does alcohol & tobacco. Marijuana is not a gateway drug; the individual using it determines their own path. 9 Apr 09, 22:54

agree519: I think it should be decriminalized. It could benefit us as a country in the same ways that alcohol and tobacco does; creating jobs, taxable revenue and create space in jails for violent offenders. 9 Apr 09, 22:50

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