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## **Marijuana Action Alert**



### **Medical marijuana decisions left to Governor Rauner**

Governor Quinn left office before issuing licenses to grow and sell medical marijuana. However, Quinn called for eliminating criminal background checks for patients, extending the pilot program another two years and allowing 22 growing centers, the *Chicago Tribune* reported.

As one of his last deeds, Quinn named an advisory board of doctors, nurses and patients who will consider expanding the list of medical conditions that qualify for medical marijuana. [Read more](#)

### **Quinn's delay in issuing licenses could doom medical marijuana**

Watch the video of Rep. Lang's Press Conference at <http://new.livestream.com/accounts/10387990/events/3724148/videos/73685318>

### **Twenty Children, Twenty Deaths Tied to Marijuana**

At least 20 small children have died nationwide because of their parents' or caretaker's marijuana usage, since Colorado and Washington voted to legalize pot. Children's deaths - involving parents whose marijuana use interfered with parenting - have occurred in every corner of the country.

... In Phoenix, a father smoked pot and forgot about time, as his three-month old son died in a hot car. In El Cajon, CA, last summer, a child died because a couple left their 4-month child, while the mother smoked pot with her brother nearby. In Kansas, it was a 10-month old baby girl who died in a foster father's care while he bought marijuana, watched *Game of Thrones* and left her in the car. **When marijuana use has been combined with fires and hot cars, children die.** [Read more](#)

### **E-Joint delivers marijuana with no smoke and no smell**

A new device, called a JuJu Joint, is disposable, requires no charging of batteries or loading of cartridges, and comes filled with 150 hits of marijuana, according to The New York Times. Each JuJu Joint contains 100 milligrams of THC, twice as much as a traditional joint. The New York Times reported there is no smoke and no smell. [Read more](#)

**WATCH this 60 Minutes segment on The Marijuana Effect** <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/colorado-pot-marijuana-60-minutes/>

#### FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

1. Legislators will be sworn into office tomorrow. Please share this Alert with your Legislators and ask them to OPPOSE the expansion of medical marijuana and the legalization/decriminalization of marijuana..
2. PRAY
3. FORWARD to 10 others.

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