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Marijuana Action Alert

Call Legislators to Support Governor's Amendatory Veto of Marijuana Bills



Governor Rauner amendatorily vetoed HB 218 by **decreasing the amount of marijuana** for decriminalization **from 15 grams to 10 grams** and **raising the amount of the fine to between \$100 and \$200**. The governor also **reduced the standard for driving under the influence of marijuana from 15 nanograms of THC per milliliter of blood (ng/mL) to 5 (ng/mL)**.

As the governor stated in his veto message, "Both Colorado and Washington, where recreational cannabis was legalized, set the limit at 5 ng/mL, while Nevada set the limit at 2 ng/mL. We need more research and more time to understand the effects of cannabis on driving. Equating impairment caused by cannabis to impairment caused by alcohol is neither so simple nor, given that cannabis remains illegal and the effects of cannabis are different than the effects of alcohol, appropriate. Until then, I cannot support a 15 ng/mL limit, which would be three times the limit in any other state. "

The governor also **amendatorily vetoed HB 3299** by **shortening the extension of the medical marijuana pilot program from 4 years to 4 months**.

Check out how your Legislators voted on the marijuana bills

HB 218 to decriminalize marijuana - [Senate vote](#), [House vote](#)

HB 3299 to extend medical marijuana - [Senate vote](#), [House vote](#)

Please read: [Where there's smoke. . .](#)

Resistance to a Colorado law passed in 2012 legalizing the recreational use of marijuana is growing steadily as unnerving results continue to mount.

FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

Contact your State Representative and State Senator and ask them to **SUPPORT the Amendatory Veto of HB 218 and HB 3299.**

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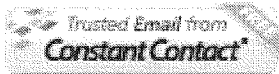
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