

To The committee secretary,

I have diagnosed diseases of osteoarthritis and fibromyalgia.
Combined these conditions have decimated my life and i cannot walk, drive, go to the supermarket, work, etc without medication.

Currently I am prescribed panadol osteo; tramadol 200; fentanyl 25; and valium.
These medications have rendered me mentally deficient for daily activity, due to drowsiness and other side effects, including the inability to stand walk etc as normal.

I have now been told i have extensive liver damage from these medications.

I support the legislation for medicinal marijuana for pain relief as I have had some experience with medicinal product without the psychoactive ingredient, which has helped with my pain. I have experienced limited side effects.

I believe we live in a democracy and find our current legislation archaic and confined to laws not fitting to the constituents of this country.

Please consider a natural pain relief product to be better than a pharmaceutical.