

Submission for the Medical Cannabis Bill 2014

Legalise and reduce harm

I am not only for medical marihuana but also for legalising or at least decriminalizing it. It just does not make any sense to put all this effort into the war on marihuana, policing and sentencing people to jail just because an old fashioned law that was dictated by the US in the 40ies to push hemp and marihuana out of business in favor of the petro chemical pharmaceutical industries.

Allow free access to medical marihuana

Since the 1960 studies about the medical benefit of marihuana have been known and suppressed. Marihuana is, as we all know, very beneficial in cancer treatment (not only for the nausea induced by chemo therapy) but in many cases tumors can actually be healed. There is also no doubt that it help enormously with epilepsy and glaucoma. Recent studies have found that Marihuana helps against Alzheimer.

Denying herbal medication which is necessary and could be freely available at no risk is a crime against the Australian people. One day it will be possible to sue the people who prevented access to medicine!

Trouble is that this is a political debate and decision, fueled by corporate greed e.g. by the pharmaceutical companies, rather than a truly medical debate. Medical professionals can still be persecuted if they come out about the therapeutic value of marihuana. Some people risk their freedom to provide others in need with marihuana oil! What if your child would have seizures, would you not try the oil???

There have been so many trials and studies and if normal people would be allowed to come out and tell their experience, we could use their experience and change the situation very quickly.

Yours sincerely
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