

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ i am a working commercial diver. I am 26 with 3 children and am engaged to marry my fiance.

Currently there is an e petition on the aph website that has already gained almost 10000 signatures in its first week. The e petition is pushing for a plebiscite at the next federal election for cannabis.

You may also be aware of the seven news brisbane facebook poll where 305 thousand people voted weather recreational cannabis should be legalised for adult use a staggering 85 percent said yes. 250 thousand people said yes.

Senator hanson introduced a bill to change whole plant cannabis to schedule 4 giving any doctor the ability to prescribe. The greens senator di natale has announced his cannabis policy. senator david leyonhjelm submitted this bill to parliament in regards to cannabis.

Its clear its a hot topic. I am part of groups of hundreds of thousands of australian members which are standing up and all saying at the next election regardless of anything we are going to vote for cannabis. We will make sure our votes are exhausted before they get to the big 2. Unless they come out with a policy equal or greater then the greens policy.

The sale of cannabis in australia could bring untold revenue to the country we need. Just in gst if 1 million people of the 7 million who said they have tried it spent 350 dollars a month thats 35 million a month in gst. Thats 420 million a year. Not to mention the reduction of police costs jail housing and many other costs to the country. Aswell as taking that same money which would be 4.2 billion dollars annually out of the black market and stimulating the economy with it.

The cannabis black market in australia is worth more than 11 billion dollars annually.

Full legalisation in USA, Canada and soon New Zealand will mean a completely uncontrollable influx of cannabis products coming into the country including Hash, Wax, Shatter, Dab & edibles. None of which will be taxed or stopped by customs.

The World Health Organization has deemed cannabis harmless, stating "It should be available" and deem there to be no public health risks and non addictive.

Marijuana workplace testing discrimination is largely to blame for Australia being labeled the worst country in the world for ice addiction. Currently people will lose their jobs if they smoke marijuana in their own time due to it taking approx 2 weeks to leave a users system as opposed to 2 days with ice. The mining boom in Australia has meant people on their 1 week breaks cannot smoke marijuana, so unfortunately turn to drugs out of their system quick enough to pass a workplace drug test, thus leading to the epidemic

I fully agree with this bill the harm for prohibition far outweighs the harm it is causing.

The medical cannabis scheme is not working. Less than 600 people have been able to access it in 2 years.

Cigarettes and alcohol are scientifically proven to cause far more harm than cannabis. Yet we are allowed to choose to partake in them both. Cigarettes are the only thing scientifically proven that if used for the manufactures intended purpose it will kill you.

I would rather a world full of people stoned then fueled up on alcohol. Nobody stoned goes and bashes someone walking past them in the street. The amount of alcohol fueled violence and domestic situations is phenomenal.

We are usually world leaders in research science medicine and economics but yet we are so far behind in the aspect of prohibition and cannabis.

Once this bill becomes legislation it will also create thousands of jobs. Bringing about a whole industry from farm to plate. It will also create jobs in textiles and plastics. It will reduce plastic waste that is non biodegradable. Hemp plastic breaks down in around 70 days when exposed to the elements.

When you weigh up the harm and the benefits it shows around 98% benefits with 2% harm.

Thanks for taking the time to read my submission and i hope we begin the process to full legalisation of senator david leyonhjelm's bill