

Support for Oregon SB 639 - Please make safe spaces to consume

We need to give people a safe space to consume. If you want to avoid people smoking in cars and parks, you need to give them a safe and legal place to consume.

Those who who risk getting kicked out of housing or prefer to consume medicine not around children need a safe and legal space to consume.

The state of Oregon needs to get with the program. California has already enlisted event licensing after only a few months of legalization. They are building cafes that will attract tourists from around the world. Oregon needs to get with the times and get on board the tourism train before we miss it. This is a HUGE opportunity for revenue for the state and will help with the sales of the 6 years of backed off product the state currently has listed in METRC.

We can radically change the funding for education, which changes the landscape of our entire state. \$82m+ was collected from cannabis tax money last year, \$32m of which went straight to schools. 15% of visitors to CO last year participated in cannabis sales, and it is expected to be similar for Oregon. We need to give Oregonians and visitors more opportunities to boost of economy and help our schools and our children.

This legal medicinal herb should be for everyone - not just the wealthy and those who own private property.

Please do the right thing! A reminder that any municipality can opt in or out, should they choose. Give cities their right to choose!

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