

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

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Organisation Name:

Your position or role:

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Drag the statements below to reorder them. In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria to consider::

Accessing and using cannabis,Criminal activity,Public health,Education,Young people and children,Mental health,Social impacts,Public safety

What best describes your interest in our Inquiry? (select all that apply) :

Individual

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

Select all that apply. Do you think there should be restrictions on the use of cannabis? :

Personal use of cannabis should be legal. ,Sale of cannabis should be legal and regulated. ,Cultivation of cannabis for personal use should be legal.

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

The only way to prevent criminals profiting from cannabis is by regulating the market. This also offers an opportunity to ensure that cannabis stays out of the hands of young people, much in the same way we regulate alcohol and tobacco sales, and issue fines to those who sell to minors. Similarly, public education should form part of any sensible health-based approach to cannabis, regardless of its legal status.

I believe it's important to make cannabis broadly available to adults. Access to medical marijuana seems to be quite restrictive and this does not really impact significantly on the black market cannabis trade. Most marijuana users do so for their own personal enjoyment rather than for medical reasons, and we cannot fully address the funding of criminal organisations without providing some legal avenue for this group.

Further, a properly regulated and taxed cannabis market could provide essential funding for health and education beyond the terms of reference.

Finally, I hope you will consider the ongoing harm caused by the criminalisation of marijuana users, and the burden that criminalisation places on society.

Thank you for reading my submission.

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

FILE ATTACHMENTS

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Chad Roscoe