

HB1 Unfavorable
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Cannabis should be legalized this year. We don't need a "reeferendum" in November to write legalization legislation next January. We have such legislation currently before the Senate. If the referendum passes, we will still need to pass implementing legislation next session anyway. So a referendum is just a waste of time and money. If you need to know what the voters want, do nothing and you will hear our voices louder than for any referendum in November and at far less expense. You know that without any self-executing text, a referendum is an abuse of the amendment process. You are supposed to pass the bill and let the voters veto it via referendum if you got it wrong. We don't need to add the insult of the expense of a referendum to the injury of the delay that one year will cause. As a proponent of the repeal of the prohibition of cannabis I ask that you refer this bill as unfavorable because this bill was only meant to delay legalization.

Thank you,
Rusty Carr