

Cannabis Legalization -

SB0833 Cannabis - Legalization and Regulation - Senator Feldman - Hearing Date March 3rd

This bill legalizes cannabis use for individuals over 21 years of age as of July 1, 2023. It defines "Personal use amount" as (i) not exceeding 2 ounces; 8 (ii) concentrated cannabis that does not exceed 15 grams; (iii) an amount of cannabis products that does not exceed 1,500 milligrams; or (iv) four or fewer cannabis plants per person. There are still fines and penalties, for exceeding the personal use amount, but possession is now a civil crime and the penalties do not to exceed \$250 and 16 hours of community services. Any convictions for past violations that did not exceed the personal use amount will be automatically expunged. Persons who are incarcerated may request a re-sentencing. There are additional provisions for regulation and taxation of cannabis.

Our Revolution Howard County, Maryland encourages support for and passage of SB0833.

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