

## S 1689

Marijuana Justice Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Dec 18, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 14, 2018
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Apr 19, 2018
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		May 10, 2018
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		May 23, 2018
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 7, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 1, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 4815	Related bill	<b>Feb 8, 2018:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.

## **Marijuana Justice Act of 2017**

This bill amends the Controlled Substances Act:

- to remove marijuana and tetrahydrocannabinols from schedule I; and
- to eliminate criminal penalties for an individual who imports, exports, manufactures, distributes, or possesses with intent to distribute marijuana.

It prohibits and reduces certain federal funds for a state without a statute legalizing marijuana, if the Bureau of Justice Assistance determines that such a state has a disproportionate arrest rate or disproportionate incarceration rate for marijuana offenses.

The bill directs federal courts to expunge convictions for marijuana use or possession.

Finally, it establishes in the Treasury the Community Reinvestment Fund. Amounts in the fund may be used by the Department of Housing and Urban Development to establish a grant program to reinvest in communities most affected by the war on drugs.

## **Actions Timeline**

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