

HR 1456

Marijuana Justice Act of 2019

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Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Feb 28, 2019
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Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Mar 5, 2019
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Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		May 20, 2019
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 20, 2019
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Jun 20, 2019

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Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jun 20, 2019
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jun 20, 2019
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Sep 10, 2019
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Sep 26, 2019
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Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Oct 17, 2019
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Oct 17, 2019
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Oct 17, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 27, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 1, 2019
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 28, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 8, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 19, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1893	Related bill	Apr 8, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
116 S 697	Related bill	Mar 7, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
116 S 597	Identical bill	Feb 28, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Feb 28, 2019)

Marijuana Justice Act of 2019

This bill decriminalizes marijuana.

Specifically, it removes marijuana from the list of scheduled substances under the Controlled Substances Act and eliminates criminal penalties for an individual who imports, exports, manufactures, distributes, or possesses with intent to distribute marijuana.

Additionally, the bill does the following:

- reduces federal funds for a state that has not legalized marijuana and has a disproportionate arrest rate or a disproportionate incarceration rate for marijuana offenses,
- directs federal courts to expunge convictions for marijuana use or possession, and
- establishes a fund—the Community Reinvestment Fund—to support grants in communities most affected by the war on drugs.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 8, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Mar 27, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- **Mar 19, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Mar 1, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 28, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.