

HR 2843

Marijuana Freedom and Opportunity Act

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Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		May 20, 2019
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		May 20, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		May 20, 2019
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Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 20, 2019
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Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		May 23, 2019
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		May 23, 2019
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Sep 20, 2019
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Dec 19, 2019
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Jan 16, 2020
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Jun 25, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 10, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 21, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 7, 2019
Small Business Committee	House	Referred To	May 20, 2019
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 21, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1552	Related bill	May 20, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR S2971-2972)

Summary (as of May 20, 2019)

Marijuana Freedom and Opportunity Act

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:

- establishes a trust fund to assist women-owned and minority-owned marijuana businesses,
- requires federal research on the impacts of marijuana use on highway safety and public health,
- authorizes federal restrictions on the marketing of marijuana-related products, and
- authorizes grants for state and local governments to expunge or seal convictions for marijuana possession.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jun 10, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- **Jun 7, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **May 21, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 21, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **May 20, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 20, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Natural Resources, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Small Business, 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.