



STATE OF VERMONT
OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Rep. Janet Ancel
From: Michele Childs
Date: April 14, 2016
Subject: Mechanisms for Rescheduling a Drug Under the Controlled
Substances Act (CSA)

The CSA establishes an administrative mechanism for substances to be controlled (added to a schedule); decontrolled (removed from the scheduling framework altogether); and rescheduled or transferred from one schedule to another.

Federal rulemaking proceedings to add, delete, or change the schedule of a drug or substance may be initiated by the DEA, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), or by petition by any interested person.

Congress may also change the scheduling status of a drug or substance through legislation.