

Dear Rep. Thomas Burditt,

As a home owner in the City of Rutland I am disappointed at the progress that H.170 has made this year. This bill last saw action on 2/1/17 in your House Committee on Judiciary. Please explain why so little progress has been made. Any form of email response will be appreciated.

Growing marijuana in Vermont is currently a misdemeanor crime. Because of this, many otherwise responsible adults cannot produce their own supply and are forced to purchase from Vermont's black market. This satisfies demand with only the threat of a \$200 civil violation weighing on ones mind. Another amazingly popular option is driving across state lines and obtaining marijuana legally in Massachusetts (you can find anything on Craigslist.) When the time comes, many I know will embrace a H.170 option. An option that allows adults to grow their own marijuana on owned land. Without the risk of going to jail. Until then, the large number of Vermonters that use marijuana will continue to find their own illegal paths, wondering how lawmakers cannot craft a modern marijuana policy.

Do Something To Progress This Change

Many thanks,

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