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Support HB 1596

Dear Committee and Chairperson:

Thank you for considering legislation to reduce punishment for crimes associated with marijuana, THC, or paraphernalia related to these. Advantages of this legislation will include decreased time and costs for law enforcement and court systems. It is concerning that convictions may cause a young person to lose opportunities for education, jobs, or housing for possessing small amounts of marijuana. For some, this may be their first contact with the criminal justice system, which will lead to fear and loss of trust.

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