

Montana

Status of Medical Marijuana (Cannabis) in Montana.

Montana has a MEDICAL MARIJUANA (cannabis)
LAW

SUMMARY: Sixty-two percent of voters approved Initiative 148 on November 2, 2004. The law took effect that same day. It removes state-level criminal penalties on the use, possession and cultivation of marijuana by patients who possess written documentation from their physicians authorizing the medical use of marijuana. Patients diagnosed with the following illnesses are afforded legal protection under this act: cachexia or wasting syndrome; severe or chronic pain; severe nausea; seizures, including but not limited to seizures caused by epilepsy; or severe or persistent muscle spasms, including but not limited to spasms caused by multiple sclerosis or Crohn's disease. Patients (or their primary caregivers) may possess no more than six marijuana plants. The law establishes a confidential state-run patient registry that issues identification cards to qualifying patients.

Possession/Cultivation: A qualifying patient and a qualifying patient's caregiver may each possess six marijuana plants and one ounce of usable marijuana. "Usable marijuana" means the dried leaves and flowers of marijuana and any mixture or preparation of marijuana.

Amendment(s): N / A

Update(s): N / A

Application information for the Montana Medical Marijuana Program is available by mail, phone, email, and online:

Medical Marijuana Program

Montana Department of Health and Human Services

Licensure Bureau

2401 Colonial Drive, 2nd Floor

P.O. Box 202953

Helena, MT 59620-2953

Phone: 406-444-2676

[MT Medical Marijuana Program](#)

Fee: \$50

Source(s): [NORML.org](#), [ProCon.org](#) >>>

Info on Montana and Medical Cannabis

▶ **ASA : Becoming a Patient in Montana | Information of how to become a legal medical cannabis (medical marijuana) patient, and how to get safe access and legal access in Montana. Visit:**

<http://www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?id=1888>

The Law, LEGAL Resources

▶ **Oppressive State Medical Board Loses, No Medical Record Voyeurism; Privacy Wins in Bearman Case | David Bearman, MD, a Santa Barbara doctor who refused to turn over a patient's file subpoenaed by the state Medical Board, has been vindicated. < say no have apparently you something this and dirt your all about read to get lawyers members board non-physician doctor?s the experts then over, look hands grimy their for ?expert? called so a over them hand material, personal access right supposed has lawyer know, not did case in> I do not hear about them typically calling a patient and saying, "Ms. Jones, we are about to demand your personal medical records and pass them to miscellaneous strangers. Is that OK with you?" On April 1 a state appellate court ruled that the subpoena should never have been issued for the records because the Board "failed to demonstrate sufficient facts to support a finding of good cause to invade the patient's right of privacy." Visit: ... Visit:**

<http://www.personalconsult.com/articles/stateboardmedicalrecords.html>

▶ **Medical Marijuana.** | See generally our discussion of Medical Marijuana. Montana: ME. REV. STAT. ANN. tit. 22, § 2383-B. [Findlaw] \$[Lexis]\${[Westlaw]}. The following states have expressly addressed the issue of palliative care, usually allowing some medicinal uses of marijuana in derogation of controlled substances prohibitions. See Medical Marijuana Commentaries for academic comment. Some of the provisions have been the subject of case law analysis.

Montana: ME. REV. STAT. ANN. tit. 22, § 2383-B. [Findlaw] \$[Lexis]\${[Westlaw]}. The Montana statute exempts the physician from prosecution where there is a bona-fide physician-patient relationship. § 2383-B(5)(A)(2). The statute governs the medical use of marijuana in order to relieve pain or alleviate a patient's symptoms from disease. § 2383-B(5)(A)(2)(a). The physician must also consult the patient regarding the possible health risks and therapeutic or palliative benefits of the medical use of marijuana. § 2383-B(5)(A)(2)(b). ... Visit: http://www.painandthelaw.org/statutes/medical_marijuana.php

In the meantime, here are some national / international Resources -

▶ **The Laws concerning marijuana in Montana.** By NORML, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. Visit: norml.org/index.cfm?wtm_view=&Group_ID=4548 for more.

▶ **ASA : Montana's Medical Marijuana Laws** | Medical cannabis (medical marijuana) laws in Montana. Visit: www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?list=type&type=195

▶ **Drug Policy Alliance: Info for Medical Marijuana Litigators: Montana ... Home > Marijuana: The Facts > Medical Marijuana > Legal Challenges > Info for Litigators > Legal > State Laws > Info for Medical Marijuana Litigators: Montana ... Click > [here](#) <** for more.

▶ **Erowid Cannabis Vault : Legal Status Montana Supreme Court and lower courts have ruled that personal possession of ...** Although the status of medical cannabis is still in flux (sep 2002), ... Visit: http://www.erowid.org/plants/cannabis/cannabis_law.shtml

▶ **Medicinal Marijuana - State-by-State American Laws | U.S. State Laws on Medical Marijuana Source: CNN Interactive** ... Highlights: A licensed pharmacist may dispense cannabis type drugs to a person receiving ... click > [here](#) < for more.

▶ **U.S. Marijuana Laws, Medical Marijuana Facts, Cannabis, Hemp | Provides U.S. Marijuana Laws,** Facts About Marijuana, Marijuana Drug Testing, Drug Detection Times, Medical Marijuana, and Information About Your Rights ... North Dakota Ohio Oklahoma Oregon... visit - www.usmarijuanalaws.com

▶ **Erowid Cannabis Vault : Legal Status, U.S. LAW | Both Cannabis and Tetrahydrocannabinols,** the active chemicals contained in Cannabis plants, are Schedule I in the United States. This means they are federally illegal to cultivate,

buy, possess, or distribute (sell, trade or give) in all forms (cannabis plants, extracts, hash, hash oil, thc, etc) except synthetic THC (Marinol) which is Schedule III. The federal scheduling of Cannabis was disputed in 1988 by Judge Francis Young, an administrative law judge for the DEA, who recommended that marijuana be reclassified as schedule II on the grounds that if a respectable minority of doctors endorse it, then it has a "currently accepted medical use". Visit: http://www.erowid.org/plants/cannabis/cannabis_law.shtml

▶ **Legal and medical status of cannabis - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia | Cannabis is in Schedule IV of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, making it subject to special restrictions.** Article 2 provides for the following, in reference to Schedule IV drugs:

A Party shall, if in its opinion the prevailing conditions in its country render it the most appropriate means of protecting the public health and welfare, prohibit the production, manufacture, export and import of, trade in, possession or use of any such drug except for amounts which may be necessary for medical and scientific research only, including clinical trials therewith to be conducted under or subject to the direct supervision and control of the Party.

This provision, while apparently providing for the limitation of cannabis to research purposes only, also seems to allow some latitude for nations to make their own judgments. The official Commentary on the Single Convention indicates that Parties are expected to make that judgment in good faith. Click > [here](#) < for more.

LEGISLATION, Action Items and related Resources

▶ **Drug Policy Alliance: Reform in Montana. Medical Marijuana: Montana allows patients to use medical marijuana if they get a registry certificate from the state Department of health ...** visit: <http://www.drugpolicy.org/statebystate/Montana/>

▶ **The Debate: Hinckey - Rohrabacher Medical Marijuana Amendment.** Source: The Congressional Record (US) Published: Tuesday, July 22, 2003 ... Maryland, Montana, Oregon, or Washington from implementing State laws authorizing the use of medical marijuana in ... supervised access to medical marijuana. Internationally, the ... visit: <http://www.freedomtoexhale.com/dofcomm.htm>

▶ **NORML / A Page Just For You / Medical Marijuana Patients | This section is to help you locate the information you need to become fully informed regarding medical marijuana -- as well as play an important role in changing America's misguided marijuana laws.** Select One, All States and Canada, Mexico, Europe, Other ... visit: http://www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=4482

▶ **DrugInfo - Medical Cannabis: USA > In Search of a Viable Distribution System for Oklahoma's Medical Marijuana Program** ... Medicinal Cannabis: USA Federal: Legislation, Court Decisions and Commentaries States: Legislation and Programs. Click [here](#) for more.

▶ **Others? Will be listed here.** As we get the info. You can also check the [Events](#) and [News](#) sections to see if there are any Items posted there. **Know about one yourself?** Post it on the [Bulletin Board](#), below.

local Organizations, CONTACTs and other Resources

▶ **Montana NORML - About Montana NORML | What is NORML? NORML stands for the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws.** Montana NORML believes that criminal prosecution of otherwise law-abiding marijuana users is wasteful, misguided, and unjust. We believe that responsible adults should have the right to cultivate, possess, and consume marijuana at their discretion, while following some common-sense guidelines (adapted from NORML's Principles of Responsible Use). Contact info: PO Box 8411, Missoula, MT 59807 * phone: (406) 542-8696 ... or Visit: <http://www.montananorml.org/>

▶ **Ya-Hooka; CommUnity/Medical_Marijuana | California Cannabis Cooperative ~ CCC a medical marijuana community,** ... Montana Marijuana Information Resource Center ~ Message forum for Montana medical ... Visit: http://www.yahooka.com/pages/CommUnity/Medical_Marijuana/

▶ **Also - Ya-Hooka; Activism_and_Law_Reform/Medical_Marijuana | Organizations actively working to legalize medical marijuana. ... the challenges facing medical cannabis patients, their caregivers and ... Compassionate Cannabis, ACT UP, and Americans for... including** - · Montana Marijuana Information Resource Center ~ Message forum for Montana medical marijuana users and supporters to meet, chat and exchange information, info on current law and pending legislation, links. ... Visit: http://www.yahooka.com/pages/Activism_and_Law_Reform/Medical_Marijuana/

Also, here are some national / international Resources -

National and International ORGz Section

▶ **ASA : Montana | Medical cannabis (medical marijuana) resources in Montana** ... Find info here on the therapeutic uses of and research on medical cannabis. ... visit - <http://www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?id=240>

▶ **MAPS: Medical Marijuana Research ... of Internal Medicine, claiming "Short-Term Medical Cannabis Does Not Harm HIV+ Patients"!** For more ... **Ethan Russo, University of Montana, for expenses involved in preparing NIH grant ...** READ LATEST MEDICAL MARIJUANA NEWS ... BROWSE MEDICAL MARIJUANA INFORMATION: > MAPS-sponsored medical marijuana studies > MAPS-sponsored medical marijuana lawsuits > Background information on MAPS' involvement in medical marijuana research > Latest medical marijuana news and more! ... visit: <http://www.maps.org/mmj>

▶ **American Medical Marijuana Association ... Medical Marijuana Pharmacy | Montana. State registration program, Dept of Health and Social Services 907-465-5423.** Colorado. State registration program (303) 692-2184 medical.marijuana ... visit: <http://americanmarijuana.org/>

▶ **LegalJoint: Medical and Other Marijuana Links. A selection links to HIGH quality cannabis web sites, related to medical or recreational mmj use.** of Columbia FEDERAL Florida Georgia Guam Montana Idaho Illinois Indiana Iowa Kansas Kentucky Louisiana ... Willie Wortel Workshop. Montana Medical Marijuana Institute and Cannabis Club ... visit: <http://www.legaljoint.net/bust.asp>

▶ **NORML Home / Medical Use by State.** All States and Canada Mexico Europe Other ... See Map: www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=3376 for more.

▶ **Patients Out of Time is a patient advocacy organization with a universal constituency. They support the rights of patients to have a legal and safe access to the therapeutic use of cannabis.** The mission of their organization, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit, is the education of health care professionals and the public about the therapeutic use of cannabis. Their leadership is composed of medical and nursing professionals with expertise in the clinical applications of cannabis and five of the seven patients (two wish to remain anonymous) who receive their medical cannabis from the US government. Patients Out of Time is the only national non-profit in the United States that focuses only on therapeutic cannabis issues. Visit - www.medicalcannabis.com

▶ **Marijuana Policy Project (MPP). Join the Marijuana Policy Project!** State officials confirm Supreme Court decision does not impact state medical marijuana laws. Medical Marijuana Briefing Paper - 2005. Until 1937, marijuana (*Cannabis sativa* L.) was legal in the United States ... Hawaii enacted a medical marijuana law via its state legislature in 2000 and ... Visit: www.mpp.org/medicine.html

▶ **DrugSense: Drug Law Reform ... of Justice Statistics, State Court Organization, 1998** (Washington, DC ... Cannabis in Medical Practice: A Legal, Historical and Pharmacological... Visit: www.drugsense.org

▶ **OCBC's Links Page. Organizations Supporting Medical-cannabis Reform.** Americans for Safe Access(ASA) coordinates "...a nation-wide day of action to push back

DEA attempts to re-criminalize medical cannabis! ... Washington Citizens for Medical Rights, sponsored a successful medical cannabis ballot measure in November 1998. "As a result, this Initiative is now State ... Visit: www.rxcbc.org/links.html

▶ **Excellent medical info on cannabis, Washington State's I-692 Medical Marijuana Law ...** Greencross. Washington State based buyer's cooperative based in Seattle. Trailblazer in state ... Visit: www.seattlehempfest.com/links.php < for more.

▶ **Marijuana links. Popular Searches: Medical Marijuana Links. Marijuana Research Links. ... about marijuana,** The Washington State Medical Marijuana Act CHAPTER 69.51A RCW This is ... an activist for medical marijuana. Chronic Cannabis Use A report on ... Click > [here](#) < for more.

▶ **Open Directory - Society: Issues: Health: Drugs: Illegal: Pro-Legalization: Marijuana: Medical Purposes ...** to providing medical cannabis to those in need. Initiative 692 - Medical Marijuana - WCMR of Washington State ... use of medical cannabis in the state of Colorado. Medical Marijuana ... click > [here](#) < for more.

▶ **Others? Will be listed here.** As we get the info. Know about one yourself? Post it on the [Bulletin Board](#), below.

FORUMs Section

▶ **Power and Control: Montana Marijuana ...** The State of Montana voted for Bush by 59 to 39 (2 other). It voted for medical marijuana by 62 to 38. Which is what I keep telling my Republican ... "I have been meaning to say something about this since post election. This is important. The State of Montana voted for Bush by 59 to 39 (2 other). It voted for medical marijuana by 62 to 38. Which is what I keep telling my Republican friends. Medical marijuana is more popular than George Bush. When will the Republicans get a clue?" visit: <http://powerandcontrol.blogspot.com/2004/11/montana-marijuana.html>

▶ **CANNABIS.COM Message Boards - Quality Marijuana and Hemp Information - Americans for Safe Access (ASA) CANNABIS.COM Message Boards** features much information and discussion about marijuana, hemp, and cannabis. ... to pay state fee for medical program. The fee Montana has imposed on those registering for ... allow Idaho doctors to prescribe medical cannabis. **COLORADO: Messy medical marijuana law ... "Marijuana group offers help"** by Allison Farrell, **The Billings Gazette - MONTANA: Group offers to pay state fee for medical program.** The fee Montana has imposed on those registering for its medical marijuana program has drawn criticism. But now a national advocacy group has stepped forward to cover the cost for patients in need. Low-income and ailing Montanans who are qualified to use medical marijuana are now eligible for financial help with the one-time \$200 fee the state is charging patients to get on the medical marijuana registry. visit: <http://boards.cannabis.com/showthread.php?t=11158>

Also, here are some national / international Forums -

▶ **Ganja Grocer | We are your Medical Marijuana Resource Center. Learn How to Become a Legal Medical Marijuana Patient.** If you live in a state with Medical Marijuana Laws, Come visit our forums today! Visit - www.ganjagrocer.com < for more.

▶ **CANNABIS.COM** - is based in california and focused on providing the best possible resources for future and current medical marijuana patients, activists, and supporters. MessageBoard Forum. Cannabis FAQs. Image & Picture Gallery. Medical Marijuana. Vaporizer FAQ. Advertising Information ... Visit: www.cannabis.com

▶ **Cannabis Community Coalition. Forum for Medical Marijuana & Medicinal Cannabis Patients.** ... visit: cannabiscom.blogspot.com < for more.

▶ **The Compassionate Coalition's mission: To defend the rights of medical marijuana patients and care providers through education and community participation. A nonprofit grassroots organization that helps build and support local chapters nationwide, linking them with other medical marijuana reform organizations and resources.** Contact Information - Mailing Address: The Compassionate Coalition * 1500 Oliver Road, Ste-K * P.M.B. #248 * Fairfield, CA 94533-3473 * (NOTE: When sending mail to this address, please be sure to write "The Compassionate Coalition" in the address line. Thanks!) * Fax: (916)266-7455 * or Visit: www.compassionatecoalition.org/forum

▶ **The Amsterdam THC Ministry, First Universal Church of Kantheism, is based on ancient wisdom, modern science and the enlightening and healing properties of the cannabis sacrament.** Their mission includes liberating the sacred cannabis hemp plant and the minds and spirits of those who do and of those who do not revere it. May we all enjoy the rich, abundant, joyful and awakened life that is part of our natural inheritance. Visit: www.thc-ministry.net/forum

▶ **Ya-Hooka; Health_and_Medicinal/Buyers_Clubs Organizations and Compassion Clubs providing access to medical marijuana** ... Co-op ~ The Alternative Relief Co-op is a patient-oriented medical cannabis dispensary located in San Francisco ... It Report Broken Link. Arizona Medical Marijuana Co-Op ~ Click [here](#) for more.

▶ **Welcome to the Cannabis Classifieds Want Ads. To buy cannabis for medical purposes is legal in some areas.** Here you will find hundreds of medical doctors, professional growers, and prescription patients in need who want to buy cannabis legally but can't find each other. Visit: www.cannabisclassifieds.com/cannabiswant.html

EVENTs, Calendars and related Resources

▶ **ASA: Events | 3rd Annual Candlelight Vigil for Medical Cannabis Patients** Saturday, April 22nd 2006 8 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania PhillyNORML will host it's 3rd annual ... visit - www.safeaccessnow.org/calendar.php?calid=315

▶ **HempFests | Street Fairs, Festivals and Farmers Markets** - Music, Food and Stuff for Sale or Barter - any opportunity for activists to booth, people to gather and businesses to vend ... like any local versions of the [Seattle Hempfest](#) ... will be listed here as we find out about them.

▶ **Marches | Demonstrations, Rallies and similar Action Items** any situation where activists are trying to educate or draw attention to - yet another - victim and people are congregating ... like the [Million Marijuana Marches](#) ... will be listed here as we find out about them.

▶ **Other Types? Will be listed here.** As we get the info. Know about one yourself? **Got an Idea?** Post it on the [Bulletin Board](#), below.

BIZ, and related Commercial Resources

▶ **Medical Marijuana Medicinal Cannabis. Marijuana Seeds (Cannabis Seeds),** free info the world's best sources. Marijuana grow info, medical usage facts, history, great seed sites and much more. ... Medicinal and Medical Marijuana Cannabis. Medical / Medicinal Marijuana is used by many people ... also have medical marijuana laws: Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Alaska and Montana ... Marijuana has many possible medical uses. Positive effects are claimed for ailments such as cancer, AIDS, and glaucoma. AIDS can cause a loss of appetite known as "wasting syndrome", which can lead to drastic weight loss and weakness. Chemotherapy used in the treatment of cancer causes nausea resulting in an inability to keep down food. Marijuana's healing nature for these two illnesses is a result of its ability to increase a person's appetite as well as relieving nausea, allowing a patient to regain weight. Marijuana reportedly helps glaucoma patients by reducing intraocular pressure that can cause damage to the eye. Click [here](#) for more.

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NEWS and related Resources

▶ **Montana medical marijuana patient Scott Day dies; wife still faces prosecution** - Last update: December 16, 2008 | On September 9, Scott Day unexpectedly passed away. Scott suffered from a terminal degenerative disease called mucopolysaccharidosis. He used medical marijuana to get relief from his constant pain and muscle spasms. Our thoughts and condolences are with Scott's family.

Earlier this year, Scott and his wife Summer were raided, arrested, and charged with manufacturing marijuana. Despite the fact that Scott was clearly growing and using marijuana to treat the symptoms of his terminal illness, the county moved forward with their prosecution. In November, two months after Scott's death, District Judge Loren Tucker ruled against a motion to dismiss the case. Despite Scott's death, Jed Fitch, Beaverhead county attorney, still plans to prosecute Summer. Her case is scheduled to go to trial in February. Visit - <http://www.mpp.org/states/montana>

▶ **Cannabis for Migraine Treatment - “The Once and Future Prescription?: An Historical and Scientific Review”** by Ethan B. Russo, M.D. ... Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmacy, University of Montana. Address: ... Dwarakanath, 1965). O'Shaughnessy introduced the medical use of Cannabis indica, or "Indian hemp," to the ... **Abstract:** “Cannabis, or marijuana, has been used for centuries for both symptomatic and prophylactic treatment of migraine. It was highly esteemed as a headache remedy by the most prominent physicians of the age between 1874 and 1942, remaining part of the Western pharmacopoeia for this indication even into the mid twentieth century. Current ethnobotanical and anecdotal references continue to refer to its efficacy for this malady, while biochemical studies of THC and anandamide have provided a scientific basis for such treatment.” Visit: http://www.omma1998.org/omr_russo.html

▶ **MAPS - Medical Marijuana Russo Migraine NIH ... Assistant Professor of Mathematics at the University of Montana, Missoula. He is an expert on the statistical ... Kaempfer, 1996). The medical use of Cannabis, or what became known ... Rationale** Cannabis, or marijuana, has been used for centuries for both symptomatic and prophylactic treatment of migraine. It was part of the Western pharmacopoeia for this indication even into the mid-twentieth century. Current anecdotal studies continue to refer to its efficacy for this malady, while biochemical studies of THC and anandamide have provided a scientific basis for such treatment. Visit: <http://www.maps.org/mmj/98russoproto.html>

▶ **Marijuana News - MT: Medical Marijuana Act | ... the spokesman for the Medical Marijuana Policy Project of Montana, which has been encouraging ... If Paul Befumo had known that marijuana could have eased his father's pain during the last few months of his life, he would have broken the law to get it for him. Befumo, a 48-year-old registered investment adviser in Missoula, lost his father, also named Paul, to lung cancer two years ago after the family auditioned a long list of drugs to reduce his pain and nausea and to increase his appetite. What they didn't try was the one treatment some chronically ill patients say has been their last, best resort: marijuana. Since then, Befumo has researched the drug's benefits and hopes Montanans will reach beyond marijuana's stigma on Nov. 2 when they're asked to vote to legalize its medicinal use. ... Visit:** <http://420city.com/article-print-34.html>

▶ **“Medical marijuana still legal in Montana”** By JENNIFER McKEE, Lee News Service. | HELENA -- Montanans who smoke doctor-recommended marijuana can be prosecuted on federal drug charges, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled Monday, although Montana's top law enforcement officer said pot-smoking ill Montanans

wouldn't face state charges. The nation's top court ruled 6-3 Monday that state-passed medical marijuana laws, like Montana's, don't protect users from federal prosecution or federal prison time. Visit: Click > [here](#) < for more. (<http://www.jacksonholestartrib.com/articles/2005/06/08/news/regional/1ff141d8b6062a50872570190078b541.txt>)

▶ **Montana Approves Medical Marijuana ... Some Interesting Results from Election Day. | Montana Approves Medical Marijuana ... Montana on November 2 became the tenth state to legalize marijuana for medicinal purposes, as voters there approved the Montana Medical Marijuana Act, known as I-148 on the ballot, by a margin of 62% to 38%, according to unofficial figures from the Montana Secretary of State's office Wednesday, and confirmed later. The lopsided vote came in a so-called conservative state that voted for Bush and against gay marriage by nearly the same margin. Visit: <http://www.progress.org/2004/drc67.htm>**

▶ **Medical marijuana registry frustrates - billingsgazette.com | To date, Montana has approved the use of medical marijuana, but the federal government has not. "I just don't have time to wait," he said. ... "Medical marijuana registry frustrates" By LINDA HALSTEAD-ACHARYA Of The Gazette Staff. "Jim Hartford knows how marijuana eases his AIDS symptoms. What he doesn't know is how to get a physician's approval so he can register to use it. Hartford, of Billings, was diagnosed with HIV nearly 11 years ago. He takes a cocktail of drugs to manage what has developed into AIDS. He knows that AIDS is one of the conditions for which medical marijuana can be approved, and he believes that cannabis can relieve some symptoms - nausea, lack of appetite, a feeling of restlessness in the legs - in ways that other drugs cannot." Click > [here](#) < for more. (<http://www.billingsgazette.com/index.php?id=1&display=rednews/2005/05/07/build/local/25-med-marijuana.inc>)**

▶ **CannabisExpo.com Hemp Video! Courtesy of CRRH and D. Paul Stanford: Truth about marijuana & the politics behind its prohibition! ... upcoming 2nd annual Oregon Medical Cannabis Awards and the DEA's attempt ... fund raiser for medical marijuana in Montana; Ontario judges throw out all cannabis possession cases making ... Click > [here](#) < for more. (http://www.hempworld.com/shop/cannabisexpo_com/VideoCannabisExpo01.htm)**

▶ **cannabisnews.com: Medical Marijuana Measure Backed By Courtney Lowery, Gazette State Bureau (News and LINKs) Source: Billings Gazette | ... has glaucoma, spoke on behalf of the Montana Medical Association. Cannabis has not been FDA-approved, he said ... policies that allowed for the safe and legal access to medical cannabis ... "Helena -- Larry Rathbun spent 22 months in Montana State Prison for trying to ease the pain and spasms that come with multiple sclerosis. The nine plants that brought about his prison sentence, he said, were the same marijuana plants that helped him in his fight against the wheelchair. Without it, in prison, he lost that battle. "I walked into Deer Lodge and rolled out," he told the House Judiciary Committee**

on Friday in support of House Bill 506, which would legalize the use of medicinal cannabis, or marijuana, in the state.” Visit: <http://www.cannabisnews.com/news/thread15532.shtml>

▶ **AAMC: Montana: Starving for medical marijuana. | A desperate need for medical marijuana. Prosser, a talented pianist, ... To Prosser's surprise, the lie doesn't hold as much sway in Montana as one would ... “Starving for medical marijuana” by Amy Linn, Special to The Chronicle Saturday, May 18, 2002. Missoula, Mont. -- She wears the look of someone pinned beneath a boulder, a woman exhausted by pain and frustration. So why would 45-year-old Robin Prosser, a devoted single parent of a teenage girl, go on a hunger strike -- today in its 29th day -- when the outcome could be fatal?** The answer is pot. A desperate need for medical marijuana. Prosser, a talented pianist, has spent the past 17 years battling an immunosuppressive disorder and other conditions that she says cause chronic pain, heart trouble, muscle spasms, nausea and daily migraines. In search of relief, Prosser has tried nearly every prescribed potion and pill, including morphine and other painkillers (she is violently allergic to them), anti- nausea medications (ditto) and a long list of therapies (nothing works). Finally, she tried marijuana.” Visit: http://www.letfreedomgrow.com/articles/robin_prosser.htm

▶ **Montana Medical Marijuana Initiative Appears Headed for Victory-10/15/04 | Initiative 148 (I-148), the Montana medical marijuana initiative, appears headed for victory on November 2, but organizers are taking no chances. A poll commissioned by the newspaper the Missoulian two weeks ago has the measure winning by two-to-one, with 58% supporting and 29% opposed (<http://stopthedrugwar.org/chronicle/356/poll.shtml>).** Still, with just under three weeks until Election Day and the deputy drug czar dropping in to speak out against I-148, the Medical Marijuana Policy Project of Montana, or MMPPM (<http://www.montanacares.org>) rolled out a series of television ads Monday designed to solidify what looks to be overwhelming public support for the measure. Visit: <http://stopthedrugwar.org/chronicle/358/mmppm.shtml>

▶ **Drug Policy Alliance: Election Day 2004 - Medical Marijuana. | Montana's I-148 will create a medical marijuana patient and caregiver registry and penalize those who make false statements and forge ID cards. ... Election Day 2004 - Medical Marijuana in Oregon, Montana (November 3, 2004) This Election Day, Montana became the 12th state to enact a medical marijuana law and the second to do so this year. Meanwhile, Oregon voters turned down the chance to revise their existing law by allowing patients to get their medicine from dispensaries regulated by the state. Visit: http://www.drugpolicy.org/news/11_04_04oregonmontana.cfm**

▶ **Montana: Medical Marijuana Approved * The Billings Gazette - November 3, 2004 | Allison Farrell * Posted on 11/03/2004 1:51:01 PM PST by Wolfie “Medical Marijuana Approved” Helena -- Montanans suffering from certain medical conditions may be able to legally smoke marijuana to ease their symptoms come January 1. The Medical Marijuana Act passed by a 63 to 37 percent margin Tuesday with 375 of 881 precincts reporting. The new act will protect patients, their doctors and**

their caregivers from state and local arrest and prosecution for the medical use of marijuana.
Visit: <http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/fr/1269370/posts>

▶ **THC Ministry :: Community :: View topic - Montana marching into medical cannabis | THC Ministry :: Community Forum Index -> Cannabis news. ...**
“Newsbrief: Montana Medical Marijuana Initiative Ready for Signature Gathering - 4/23/04 - The Montana Secretary of State's office and the Montana Attorney General's office have approved the language and legal sufficiency of a medical marijuana initiative. The way is now open for initiative organizers with the Montana Medical Marijuana Policy Project (<http://www.montanacares.org>) to begin the signature-gathering phase of the effort. Organizers must gather some 20,000 signatures, including at least 5% of voters in half of the state's counties, by June 18.” visit: Click > [here](#) < for more.
(<http://www.thc-ministry.net/forum/archive/montana-marching-into-medical-cannabis-1667.htm>)

▶ **NORML News Feed.** Visit - http://norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=5858

▶ **MarijuanaNews.Com, Freedom has nothing to fear from the truth ... Medical Marijuana Co-operative Writes About Value Of Cannabis For MS Patients.** Photo-ID Cards For Washington State Medical ... Visit: www.marijuananeews.com/medical_cannabis.htm

▶ **(Medical) Marijuana Info - Information. Candidates running for the House of Representatives to the question: "Should smoked marijuana be a medical option now?"** ... 10/28/02. Oklahoma House Race - District 1 ... Visit: www.marijuanainfo.net/house3.htm

▶ **The American Alliance For Medical Cannabis (AAMC) | Dedicated to bringing patients, caregivers and volunteers the facts they need to make informed decisions about whether Cannabis is the right medicine for them,** the laws surrounding Medicinal Marijuana in your area, political activism and even handy recipes and guides to growing your own nontoxic medicine. visit: <http://www.letfreedomgrow.com/news-t21.htm>

▶ **Cannabis Times. Alternative News Service for Cannabis and Hemp ... Montana Woman on Hunger Strike for Medical Cannabis.** Visit Robin's Site * E-Mail the ... The science of medical cannabis continued its climb in estimation of medical professionals and ... visit: www.cannabistimes.com

▶ **Common Sense for Drug Policy: Medical Marijuana Facts & News. Tuesday, July 12, 2005. Search using CSDP's own search tool or use. WWW Common Sense. More CSDP News Pages** ... card program for medical marijuana patients. The suspension has ... consequences of issuing medical marijuana ID cards that could affect medical marijuana users, their families ... www.csdp.org/news/news/medmar.htm

▶ **cannabisnews.com, by DrugSense | a News feed page.** Visit: cannabisnews.com

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