

THE RE-UP

Your monthly fix on all news: drug, policy, and law related.

Drug Myth of the Month

Myth: LSD (Lysergic Acid Diethylamide) is permanently stored in the body/spinal fluid and can be released at any time.

Fact: LSD quickly metabolizes and is eliminated from the body.

Mental Health/ Substance Use Resource

If you, a fellow law student, or an attorney you know is struggling with mental health, substance use, or other challenges, Oregon Attorney Assistance Program (OAAP) has counselors available 24 hours a day by email, phone, and video teleconference. Please visit oaap.org or call (503) 226-1057 for assistance.

Measure 110 Event

The Health Justice Recovery Alliance & Unite Oregon are hosting a virtual community forum on February 2nd from 5:30-6:30pm. The forum will look back on one year of drug decriminalization in Oregon, share some of Measure 110's early successes, and discuss why decriminalization is an essential component in ending the war on drugs. To sign up use this link: https://www.uniteoregon.org/measure110_decriminalization



The 2022 Oregon Legislative Session: What is a Short Session?

The 2022 Oregon Legislative session begins February 1, 2022. This year's session is known as a "short session". In even-numbered years, the Oregon Legislature convenes in a short session that lasts a maximum of 35 days. In odd-numbered years, the legislature convenes in a "long session" that may last up to 160 days. During the long session, the legislature approves a state budget for the next biennium.

Facebook: Law Students for
Sensible Drug Policy - Willamette
University



LSSDP's February Events

◆ Equity Investment Bill Event

- LSSDP and LatinX are hosting Senator Akasha Lawrence Spence in an event discussing the Equity Investment Bill (SB 1579). Food will be provided in Rick's before the event begins.
- When: February 8th @ 12:30
- Where: via Zoom & in Room 218

◆ Legislative Workshop

- During the second week of February (exact date/location TBA), LSSDP is hosting a workshop for students to learn how to do legislative testimony & how to write support statements to their representatives.
- This event will also be discussing two criminal justice reform bills that will be voted on in the 2022 session (SB 1584 & HB 4147).

For more information on bills in the Oregon 2022 Legislative Session visit: legiscan.com

BILLS & RESOLUTIONS TO WATCH OUT FOR

SB 1510 Requires police officers to inform stopped persons of right to refuse consent to search, prohibits police officers from initiating traffic stops based solely on specified traffic violations, requires certain training for certification and continuing education for parole and probation officers, modifies general conditions of probation and post-prison supervision, and directs Department of Corrections to adopt rules concerning supervision reporting standards. Effective on passage.

SB 1579 Directs Oregon Business Development Department to develop and implement Economic Equity Investment Program to award grants to organizations that provide culturally responsive services to support economic stability, self-sufficiency, wealth building and economic equity among disadvantaged individuals, families, businesses and communities in Oregon. Becomes Effective on January 1, 2023.

SB 1584 Creates procedure for filing petitions for compensation from the state for wrongful convictions. Effective on passage.

HB 4016 Authorizes Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission to, based on supply of and demand for marijuana, refuse to issue initial marijuana production licenses for amount of time commission determines necessary. Becomes operative January 1, 2023. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

HB 4147 Allows persons convicted of felonies to register to vote, update voter registration, and vote in elections while incarcerated.

HJR 205 Proposes an amendment to Oregon Constitution to specify that section restricting certain banks does not prohibit establishment of bank owned or operated by State of Oregon. A state bank could provide financial services for marijuana companies. Due to continued federal prohibition, most private lenders won't give loans or financial services to marijuana businesses. Lending intuitions who are willing to work with marijuana companies often charge outrageous interest rates and fees. A state bank ran by the State of Oregon could provide these financial services, however, passing HJR 205 only means it will become a Ballot Measure, which would need approval from voters during the 2022 election.