

# Legalizing Adult-use Cannabis

**Minnesotans are asking the Legislature to safely and responsibly legalize adult-use cannabis. Our bill establishes a new system of responsible regulation and begins to repair the legacy of racial injustice created by the failed prohibition of cannabis.**



## Establishes Responsible Regulation

A responsibly regulated cannabis market is safer than an underground one. Our approach will address legitimate concerns around youth access, public health, and road safety.



## Addresses Racial Disparities

Legalizing adult-use cannabis will help address criminal justice inequities created by prohibition. Instead of enforcing low-level cannabis offenses, law enforcement could focus on more serious issues.



## Improves the Medical Cannabis Program

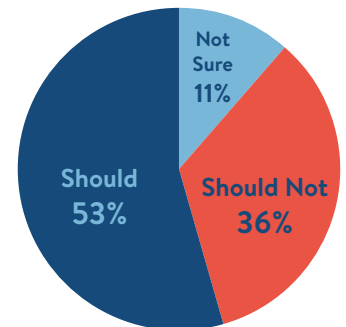
Minnesotans are telling us that our state's existing medical program doesn't work well for most people. Our bill improves access and affordability for Minnesotans who live with serious illnesses such as cancer, seizures, and chronic pain.



## Helps Veterans

Most veterans cannot access or afford medical cannabis, and no vets can legally receive it from the VA. Making cannabis legal for all adults will provide these veterans with better access to a substance that can alleviate their pain and help them cope with PTSD.

**A majority of  
Minnesota voters  
support legalization  
of recreational  
marijuana**



Source: "Do you think Minnesota should or should not legalize marijuana for recreational use?" MPR/Star Tribune/KARE11 Minnesota Poll, Sept. 12-14, 2022.



In 2019 and early 2020, more than 1,000 Minnesotans made themselves heard at 15 town halls across the state. They made it clear that change is needed because Minnesota's current cannabis laws are doing more harm than good. Visit <https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/cannabis/>