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The measure prohibits law enforcement and State agencies from keeping certain records involving a person's marijuana use or possession, and from enforcing federal marijuana laws. It significantly limits State asset forfeitures involving marijuana. It also limits the ability of a "locality" to regulate marijuana-related activity.

The measure establishes April 20 as "Cannabis Day" and allows residents free admission to State parks on that day.

This 41-section measure makes several other changes and additions to State law. Because it contains internal inconsistencies and may conflict with existing laws, judicial or legislative clarification may be necessary. A court may find provisions of the measure unconstitutional. Marijuana remains illegal under federal law.

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