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S 0335 General Bill, By McLeod Summary: Marijuana Control Act

A BILL TO DECRIMINALIZE MARIJUANA AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF MARIJUANA; TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-190(D)(11) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO SCHEDULE 1 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, TO REMOVE MARIJUANA FROM SCHEDULE 1; TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-370(D)(4) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR POSSESSION OF SMALL AMOUNTS OF CERTAIN SCHEDULE 1 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE PENALTIES DO APPLY TO THE POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA: TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-370(E)(1) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR THE POSSESSION OF LARGE AMOUNTS OF MARIJUANA, TO PROVIDE THAT THE PENALTIES DO NOT APPLY TO LICENSED MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS; TO AMEND TITLE 61 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO ALCOHOL AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, BY ADDING THE MARIJUANA CONTROL ACT AS CHAPTER 15; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERSONAL USE OF MARIJUANA, THE AMOUNTS THAT A PERSON AT LEAST TWENTY ONE YEARS OF AGE MAY BE LEGALLY POSSESS, TO PROVIDE THAT MARIJUANA MAY NOT BE CONSUMED IN ANY LOCATION THAT PROHIBITS SMOKING TOBACCO; TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSING OF MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS, AND MARIJUANA RETAILERS; TO PROVIDE THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE OPERATION OF MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS, AND MARIJUANA RETAILERS; TO PROVIDE THAT COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES MAY PROHIBIT WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION THE OPERATION OF MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, MARIJUANA PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS, AND MARIJUANA RETAILERS; TO PROVIDE FOR RESTRICTIONS ON PRODUCT LABELING AND ADVERTISING; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; TO PARDON CONVICTIONS OF CRIMES DECRIMINALIZED BY THE PROVISIONS IN THIS ACT; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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