

**Issue 3**

**TITLE**

**Proposed Constitutional Amendment**

**Proposed by Initiative Petition**

**To add Section 12 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio.**

A majority yes vote is necessary for the amendment to pass.

The proposed amendment would:

- Endow exclusive rights for marijuana growth, cultivation, and extraction to self-designated corporations who own ten predetermined parcels of land in Butler, Clermont, Franklin, Hamilton, Licking, Lorain, Lucas, Delaware, Stark, and Summit Counties.
- Permit retail sale of recreational marijuana at approximately 1,100 locations statewide.
- Legalize the production of marijuana-infused and medical marijuana-infused products by marijuana product manufacturing facilities.
- Allow each person over the age of 21 to purchase, grow, possess, and share over one-half pound of marijuana or its equivalent in marijuana-infused products at a time (a total of 8 ounces of usable, homegrown marijuana for recreational use, plus 1 ounce of purchased marijuana for recreational use, plus 4 homegrown, flowering marijuana plants). Authorize the use of medical marijuana by any person, regardless of age, who has a certification for a debilitating medical condition.
- After January 1, 2015 or the date of any license application for a marijuana establishment, there is no prohibition against any house of worship, elementary school, library, daycare center, or playground locating next to a licensed marijuana establishment. Marijuana establishments may not locate within 1,000 feet of any existing house of worship, elementary school, library, daycare center, or playground.
- Create a special tax rate limited to 15% on gross revenue of each marijuana growth, cultivation, and extraction facility and marijuana product manufacturing facility and a special tax rate limited to 5% on gross revenue of each retail marijuana store. Revenues from the tax go to a municipal and township government fund, a strong community fund, and the marijuana control commission fund.
- Create a marijuana incubator in Cuyahoga County to promote growth and development of the marijuana industry and locate marijuana testing facilities near colleges and

universities in Athens, Cuyahoga, Lorain, Mahoning, Scioto and Wood Counties, at a minimum.

- Create a new state government agency called the marijuana control commission (with limited authority) to regulate the industry, comprised of seven Ohio residents appointed by the Governor, including a physician, a law enforcement officer, an administrative law attorney, a patient advocate, a resident experienced in owning, developing, managing and operating businesses, a resident with experience in the legal marijuana industry, and a member of the public.

	<b>YES</b>	<b>SHALL THE AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?</b>
	<b>NO</b>	