

# Agenda Items 55, 58: Medical Cannabis

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# Cost, Risk, Benefits

- We should have
- More regulation for dangerous activity
- Less regulation for beneficial things

# Causes of 2018 USA Deaths

- All deaths 2.8 million
- Heart disease .9 million
- Tobacco .5 million
- Diabetes 85,000
- Alcohol 61,000
- Legal drugs 47,000
- Illegal drugs 17,000 0.6% of total
- Cannabis overdose 0
- [https://www.drugpolicyfacts.org/chapter/causes\\_of\\_death#overlay=table/deathtable](https://www.drugpolicyfacts.org/chapter/causes_of_death#overlay=table/deathtable)

# Sioux Falls License Requirements

	Off sale liquor stores	On sale bars, restaurants	Pharm- acies	Medical Cannabis Dispensaries
Max stores	103	111	No limit	5
Initial license fee	\$500	\$192,360	None	\$100,000 for 2 years
Renewal fee	\$500 Annually	\$1,500 Annually	None	\$100,000 for 2 years
Distance from restricted areas	500'	250' or 500'	None	1000'

See SDCL 35-4-10, 35-4-11, 35-4-2(3), 35-4-2(4)

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# Draft Cannabis Ordinances

- Increase cost of entry, operation
- Encourage big business
- Increase cost of medical cannabis
- Reduce access to medical cannabis
- Protect pharmaceutical industry
- Enforce traditional anti-cannabis mentality
- Work against recent popular vote
- Violate government for “We the people”

# Recommendations

- Laws should reflect impact and risk
- Dangerous things deserve more regulation
- Decrease access to sugar, tobacco, alcohol, dangerous prescription drugs
- Migrate from dangerous drugs to medical cannabis
- Enjoy nature, life – not drugs
- Treat medical cannabis dispensaries like pharmacies



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