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# H. R. 1344

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of the various States.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRANK (for himself, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CONYERS,  
Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. NADLER, Mr. OLVER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. STARK, and  
Ms. WOOLSEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

To provide for the medical use of marijuana in accordance  
with the laws of the various States.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “States’ Rights to Med-  
5 ical Marijuana Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.**

7 (a) SCHEDULE.—Marijuana is moved from schedule  
8 I of the Controlled Substances Act to schedule II of such  
9 Act.

1 (b) PRESCRIPTION OR RECOMMENDATION.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—No provision of the Con-  
3 trolled Substances Act shall prohibit or otherwise  
4 restrict—

5 (A) the prescription or recommendation of  
6 marijuana by a physician for medical use,

7 (B) an individual from obtaining and using  
8 marijuana from a prescription or recommenda-  
9 tion of marijuana by a physician for medical  
10 use by such individual, or

11 (C) a pharmacy from obtaining and hold-  
12 ing marijuana for the prescription or rec-  
13 ommendation of marijuana by a physician for  
14 medical use under applicable State law

15 in a State in which marijuana may be prescribed or  
16 recommended by a physician for medical use under  
17 applicable State law.

18 (2) PRODUCTION.—No provision of the Con-  
19 trolled Substances Act shall prohibit or otherwise re-  
20 strict an entity established by a State, in which  
21 marijuana may be prescribed or recommended by a  
22 physician for medical use, for the purpose of pro-  
23 ducing marijuana for prescription or recommenda-  
24 tion by a physician for medical use from producing  
25 and distributing marijuana for such purpose.

1 **SEC. 3. FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—No provision of the Federal Food,  
3 Drug, and Cosmetic Act shall prohibit or otherwise  
4 restrict—

5 (1) the prescription or recommendation of mari-  
6 juana by a physician for medical use,

7 (2) an individual from obtaining and using  
8 marijuana from a prescription or recommendation of  
9 marijuana by a physician for medical use by such in-  
10 dividual, or

11 (3) a pharmacy from obtaining and holding  
12 marijuana for the prescription or recommendation of  
13 marijuana by a physician for medical use,

14 in a State in which marijuana may be prescribed or rec-  
15 ommended by a physician for medical use under applicable  
16 State law.

17 (b) PRODUCTION.—No provision of the Federal  
18 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act shall prohibit or otherwise  
19 restrict an entity established by a State, in which mari-  
20 juana may be prescribed or recommended by a physician  
21 for medical use, for the purpose of producing marijuana  
22 for prescription or recommendation by a physician for  
23 medical use from producing and distributing marijuana  
24 for such purpose.

1 **SEC. 4. RESEARCH.**

2       The National Institute of Drug Abuse shall make  
3 marijuana available for the purposes of an investigational  
4 new drug study under section 505(i) of the Federal Food,  
5 Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

6 **SEC. 5. RELATION OF ACT TO CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS RE-**  
7 **LATING TO SMOKING.**

8       This Act does not affect any Federal, State, or local  
9 law regulating or prohibiting smoking in public.

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