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Zero Tolerance: You Be the Judge!

**"Senior Liberals' are disturbed by... marijuana and want the three-plant limit dropped to zero".
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Cannabis Law Reform group HEMP SA (Help End Marijuana Prohibition) today released a fact sheet "*Zero Tolerance: You be the Judge!*" and condemned Liberal backbenchers' plans for zero tolerance, which will send SA kids back into the hands of the major drug dealers.

"Zero tolerance just doesn't work and just makes things worse, as the governments' own research shows" said HEMP SA Co-convenor Mr. Jamnes Danenberg [see fact sheet: *Zero Tolerance: You be the Judge!*]

"For the sake of our kids, we need a harm reduction approach that regulates Cannabis. That is the only way we can deal with the problems it can cause." Mr Danenberg added.

"HEMP SA knows some people have problems with Cannabis, but more police and tougher laws don't solve their problems. We must regulate and tax Cannabis. We can't let the multi-BILLION dollar profits continue to go straight to organised crime" Mr Danenberg said.

"Taxing Cannabis sales could pay for health, education and counselling services for those in need. A 24hr 7day a week Cannabis helpline for those who have problems, is a better solution than outdated and counter-productive electioneering slogans and zero-tolerance rhetoric".

"When families need help with Cannabis use they want support. They don't need tough talking politicians who ignore the evidence and threaten their kids with jail terms for growing their own Cannabis."

"Prohibitionists know that some people are scared of Cannabis and would prefer it didn't exist. But it does. Cannabis is not evil, nor are cannabis users. Cannabis use is a health issue not a criminal problem. These Liberals' zero tolerance plans will just cause more heartache and grief for SA families and the community as a whole."

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