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"Prestigious Committee Files Petition Today to Repeal Local Marijuana Laws"

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Breckenridge continues to be a leader in drug policy reform

Today, an affidavit will be filed by a prestigious local committee to begin the initiative process to put a measure on the Breckenridge ballot to decriminalize the private adult use of marijuana. The committee, led by Sean McAllister, a local defense attorney, includes a business owner, another attorney, a soon to be mother of three, and City Councilman Jeffery Bergeron, also known for his T.V. show Biff America.

Sean McAllister started Sensible Breckenridge, a working group of the committee and an off shoot of Sensible Colorado, to repeal local laws that he calls an “undemocratic counterproductive waste of money.” McAllister notes, “In 2006, 72% of Breckenridge voters supported legalizing an ounce or less of marijuana for private adult use, but yet the town is still wasting money pursuing needless criminal convictions for its citizens and visitors.”

The proposed initiative would remove criminal penalties from the Breckenridge Town Code for the private use of marijuana by adults twenty-one or older while focusing the town’s law enforcement attention on underage usage.

“As a criminal defense attorney I have defended numerous locals and tourists, but never a violent marijuana user; however, I have defended numerous violent alcoholics,” states McAllister. “I have seen too many otherwise law-abiding citizens’ lives damaged by these zero tolerance laws that penalize adults for making the more responsible choice of using marijuana over alcohol.”

Sensible Breckenridge was founded on the basis that change starts local and is currently looking for more local volunteers to help put this initiative on the ballot. Sensible Breckenridge can be reached at 970-453-6594 or sensiblebreckenridge@gmail.com.

Sensible Breckenridge is an arm of Sensible Colorado, a statewide nonprofit, dedicated to promoting effective drug policy.