

Memorandum

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From: Jay Aronson

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Re: Legislative Update

This Week At The Capitol:

In thirteen legislative business days, there have been nearly 1,500 proposed House bills and over 500 proposed Senate bills. I do not remember a time since I have been lobbying the Legislature that so many bills have been proposed in such a short amount of time. And more are on the way! (And, this is before the Committees have raised any of their own bills.) Many are multiples of the same ideas and 98% of them will never see the light of day.

CYSA has meetings scheduled with the Chairs of the Appropriations Committee in mid-February and the Children's Committee on Tuesday the 29th. We have been asked by the Republican Senate Leader, Senator Leonard Fasano, to meet with him and his staff in regards to YSB involvement in opposition to Marijuana legislation. I am still seeking a meeting with the Chairs of the Education Committee.

I want to thank Scott Cochran for coming to the Capitol on Wednesday and taking part in the anti-marijuana press conference led by Representatives Vincent Candelora and Noreen Kokaruda. Scott presented as the Director of Madison Youth Services and as the V.P. of CYSA. He made several key points including: ease of access to youth should it become legal, "candy" products and how easy "Juuling" has become and what THAT means going forward, what the drug does to developing brains and should it pass, money for YSBs for prevention and intervention. In these early days of this session, it is becoming clear that Legislators are, and will, continue to look to CYSA and its member YSBs to be a bulwark against the tide of making Marijuana legal.

As always, please contact me at your convenience should you have any questions or concerns about these or any other Legislative matters. Also, please share this information with your members as you see fit.