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It's Official: Breckenridge to Vote to Legalize Marijuana

Town Clerk certifies marijuana imitative for November ballot.

BRECKENRIDGE, CO-- On July 24, 2009, the Breckenridge Town Clerk certified that a petition, as submitted by the local reform group "Sensible Breckenridge", had enough valid signatures to place the measure on the November 2009 ballot. Sensible Breckenridge needed 500 signatures from registered voters to advance the measure, but submitted over 1400.

The measure would remove local penalties for the private possession of up to one ounce of marijuana by adults twenty-one or older, effectively legalizing small amounts of marijuana for adults under the Town Code. The Breckenridge Town Council will have opportunity to enact the law at their meeting on August 11th. If they do not, it will automatically be placed on the November 3rd ballot.

Breckenridge attorney, Sean McAllister, Chairman of Sensible Breckenridge, stated, "While collecting signatures we encountered overwhelming support for sensible marijuana reform. Now it is up to the Breckenridge voters to decide if responsible adults should be criminalized for using a substance less harmful than alcohol.

Sensible Breckenridge is a project of Sensible Colorado, a statewide nonprofit, dedicated to promoting effective drug policy. See www.SensibleColorado.org

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