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Esteemed Senators;

Talking points against SB 135 and marijuana are:

- 1) It has ruined OK and CO. Marijuana is antithetical to a healthy and safe society.
- 2) Every level of our law enforcement has stood in opposition. They know!
- 3) Medical marijuana is a ruse. The cabal's plan is recreational marijuana and to addict our society, particularly, our youth.
- 4) Medical THC is available to every Kansas citizen via FDA approved medications available by prescription.
- 5) Today's marijuana is far more concentrated than in the 1970's.
- 6) Today's marijuana is as addictive as methamphetamines.
- 7) Marijuana is 10x worse for your lungs than tobacco.
- 8) Our society cannot handle another addictive drug. Drug abuse and overdose deaths are at all-time highs in Kansas now.
- 9) Kansas' greatness as a state and its economic advantage lies in our traditional values and family friendly society. Following the surrounding states in their folly is a mistake.
- 10) Any additional tax revenue from marijuana means absolutely nothing. We do not need or want this money.

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