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Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol Turns In Additional Signatures

The group submitted a total of 29,918 signatures

Columbus, OH – The Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol submitted 29,918 additional signatures in support of an initiated statute legalizing the adult use of marijuana to the Ohio Secretary of State's office today.

After submitting 206,943 signatures on December 20, 2021, the Coalition was notified that it needed to collect approximately 13,000 additional signatures to qualify the initiated statute proposal. The Coalition mobilized quickly and easily collected more than twice that number.

"We feel confident that we will meet the signature requirements and look forward to the legislature taking up an issue that a majority of Ohioans support this year," said spokesman Tom Haren. "We encourage the public to visit our website, <u>www.JustLikeAlcohol.com</u>, to learn more about the proposed statute."

Once local Boards of Elections validate at least 13,062 signatures, and the Secretary of State Certifies them, the statute will be presented to the Ohio General Assembly. The legislature will then have four months to consider the legislation. Should legislators opt not to pass the bill asis, the Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol can collect an additional 132,877 signatures to present the issue to Ohio voters on the November 8th, 2022 ballot.

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The Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol was formed to encourage legislators to end cannabis prohibition in Ohio and establish a system in which cannabis is regulated and taxed similarly to alcohol. For more information, visit <u>www.justlikealcohol.com</u>