INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR CANNABIS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I'm a male 67 years of age and have been using cannabis on and off for the last 20+ years.

I grow what I consume, that way I know what it is and how it's been grown i.e. fully organic, strain and to cut out the middleman. The cost of prescription cannabis is a little prohibitive as my wife and I are both on DSP.

I'm currently using cannabis for back pain (herniated disk L4 L5 that occurred in 1989) and insomnia.

I use prescription painkillers in the morning to try and avoid RDT, there should be a roadside test for cannabis that actually can determine the quantity of drug in one's system and not just presence or absence.

Changes to the law have to be made to allow the growing of the natural herb which has been used since ancient times. Legalization will reduce crime, free up police and the legal system and allow them get on with more important issues.

The plant itself is beautiful and has a great scent which I enjoy growing as well, also cultivating cannabis I find is relaxing as well.