

**CAPTION**

Amends Charter: prohibits city regulation, enforcement of psychedelic plant laws.

**QUESTION**

Shall Charter be amended to prohibit city enforcement of laws imposing criminal penalties for psychedelic plant medicines, prohibit city regulations?

**SUMMARY**

Currently, federal and state law prohibit the possession, storage and propagation of psychedelic plant medicines; city code prohibits use or distribution of controlled substances on certain city property. Violations of the law are subject to exclusion orders and misdemeanor and felony criminal penalties.

The measure adds a new Charter chapter that prohibits the city of Portland from enforcing – or using city resources to assist in enforcing – laws that impose criminal penalties for the use, possession, growing, production or distribution of psychedelic plant medicines for personal use by adults. The measure also prohibits the city from adopting laws prohibiting or regulating the use, possession, production or distribution of psychedelic plant medicines for personal use. Psychedelic plant medicines include naturally occurring plant and fungal matters in “psilocybin mushrooms”, “iboga”, “bufotenine”, “DMT-containing plants” and “mescaline cacti” (defined terms).

The measure does not prohibit the city from enforcing or passing laws that prohibit or regulate the commercial sale of psychedelic plant medicines, when the quantity being sold is worth more than \$500 per week.

Other provisions.