



Sample Thank You Letters After Legislative Visits

Dear [Representative/Senator] [last name]:

Thank you for meeting with [me/us] on [date] to discuss replacing marijuana prohibition with a thoughtful system of taxation and regulation for adults 21 and older.

Currently, cities and towns across Connecticut are facing devastating cuts that will result in widespread property tax increases for most residents. Taxing and regulating marijuana like alcohol could help avoid these cuts while creating nearly 20,000 good jobs.

For a supportive lawmaker: I am grateful you support regulating marijuana for adults' use. I hope you will encourage your leadership and your colleagues to do everything they can to ensure the budget includes legalizing, regulating, and taxing marijuana for adults 21 and older.

For an undecided lawmaker: I appreciate you taking the time to speak with me on this important matter. I hope that upon further consideration, you come to agree that regulating the sale of marijuana for adults in Connecticut is a smart and effective approach to deal with both a dangerous unregulated market and our state's financial needs.

For an opposed lawmaker: I was disappointed to hear you are opposed to regulating and taxing marijuana for adults' use. Marijuana is safer than alcohol, and adults should not be punished for making the safer choice. By moving marijuana sales out of the illicit market and into a state-regulated system, Connecticut can keep communities safer while creating vital revenue for our state. I hope that upon reviewing the information I have provided, you will reconsider your position.

[Provide any additional information you may have offered to provide. Don't guess about anything. Review our [overview](#) and [responding to concerns](#) document, and ask us if you need any [additional](#) information.]

I know you are facing many tough choices during the budget debate. Marijuana regulation and taxation would create much-needed revenue without further cuts to jobs or state programs, and without shifting more burdens to local governments. With 63 percent of Connecticut voters supporting marijuana regulation, it is also far more popular than alternatives. I strongly believe that marijuana regulation is part of a responsible budget compromise.

Please let me know if I can be of any assistance, or if I can provide any additional information.

Again, thank you for meeting with [me/us]!

Sincerely,

[Your name]

[phone]

[email address]

[City/town]