

Understanding the Rules: Legal Cannabis Etiquette in Minnesota

For the past year, Jen Randolph Reise has been at the forefront of helping businesses navigate the complexities of legal cannabis across Minnesota. As the Head of Business and Cannabis Law at North Star Law Group, Reise has emerged as one of the state's leading experts on the dos and don'ts of cannabis, especially on a notable date like 4/20.

Setting the Scene: Changing Speed Limits

Reise analogizes the shift in cannabis laws to changing speed limits, emphasizing the need for clarity amidst evolving regulations. With her expertise, she guides businesses and individuals through the intricacies of Minnesota's legal cannabis framework.

A Milestone 4/20

"This is exciting to get to be the first 4/20 where people can smoke openly and be open about the fact that they enjoy cannabis and are cannabis users," shares Reise, highlighting the significance of this year's celebration for cannabis enthusiasts in Minnesota.

Understanding the Gifting Rule

Reise clarifies an important aspect of the law: while purchasing cannabis is not yet legal, individuals can receive up to two ounces as a gift from another person. This gifting provision is a notable exception within Minnesota's cannabis regulations.

Know Your Limits: Possession Guidelines

Individuals aged 21 and older are allowed to possess specific quantities of cannabis products, including flower, concentrates, edibles, and marijuana for personal use at home. Reise outlines these possession limits to ensure compliance with the law.

Choosing the Right Venue

When it comes to consumption, Reise underscores the importance of selecting appropriate locations. Private properties, such as backyard gatherings or house parties, offer suitable settings for cannabis use, provided the homeowner permits it.

Smoking Etiquette: Where You Can't Light Up

While cannabis consumption is permitted in spaces where cigarette smoking is allowed, Reise cautions against smoking in certain areas, such as inside cars or in prohibited locations like rental properties where landlords have imposed smoking bans.

Safety First: Tips for 4/20 Events

For those attending 4/20 events, Reise advises caution in handling cannabis products, suggesting precautions similar to those for alcohol. Storing cannabis securely and out of reach, particularly during transportation, minimizes legal risks associated with open container laws.

As Minnesota continues its journey into the realm of legal cannabis, individuals and businesses alike can rely on experts like Jen Randolph Reise to navigate the intricacies of the law and ensure compliance while enjoying the newfound freedoms that legalization brings.

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