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## Outline

### Marijuana Problem:

- Legalization
  - o Acceptance
  - o Big money
- THC Levels
  - o current 25% to 99%
  - o Past 3-5 %
  - o All studies use 3-5 % level
- Fatal/traffic accident increase
- Enforcement issues

### Impairment and Detection

- What does high look like?
  - o You cannot compare alcohol impairment to marijuana impairment
    - o Alcohol more physical, marijuana more mental
      - Divided attention mental tests are best
  - o Sativa vs. Indica
    - o Sativa (giggles)
    - o Indica (couch lock)
- THC vs. Cannabidiol (CBD)
  - o THC impairing and CBD is not
- Duration of high
  - o 0-30 min main, high felt 0-4 hours. Residual for days
  - o Varies depending on potency and tolerance levels.

## Best Field Tests

Regulars SFST test work, recommended Romberg and LOC tests. Also look for marijuana signs while doing regular tests. Also call out a Drug Recognition Officer DRE

### -Eyes

- Dilation
- Lack of convergence test (LOC)
- Fake HGN (eye tremors)
- Reddened conjunctiva

### -Tremors

- Eye, muscle, facial,
- All be seen during regular SFST
- Romberg great for seeing tremors

### -Pulse

### -Finger to Nose

### -Tongue

- Green
- Debris
- Blisters

### -Paraphernalia

- Not just pipes, green debris (shake), stickers, clothing, edibles, vaporizers, atomizers, for many it is a lifestyle.