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California State PTA rationale for neutral position on Proposition 19

As a true grassroots association, California State PTA's positions on state ballot measures are grounded in the resolutions that our delegates approve at annual conventions. The issue of legalizing marijuana for adults as proposed by Proposition 19 is one that has never previously been contemplated by our delegates. Our legislative action committee that reviewed the measure researched all existing California State PTA and National PTA resolutions and position statements but did not find relevant authority to take a position either way on the proposal for legal marijuana use by adults. Given that, the State Board of Managers approved a neutral position at its July 2010 meeting.

California State PTA remains strongly committed to preventing drug use and abuse among children and youth.

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The California State PTA has nearly 1 million members throughout the state working on behalf of public schools, children and families, with the motto, "Every child, one voice." The PTA is the nation's oldest, largest and highest profile volunteer association working to improve the education, health and welfare of all children and youth. The PTA also advocates at national, state and local levels for education and family issues. The PTA is nonprofit, nonsectarian and noncommercial.

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