

1 H.217

2 SHORT FORM

3 Introduced by Representative Ram of Burlington

4 Referred to Committee on

5 Date:

6 Subject: Regulated drugs; marijuana; penalties

7 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to change the penalty for possession
8 of an ounce or less of marijuana to a civil penalty of \$100.00. Possession of
9 more than an ounce of marijuana would continue to be a criminal offense
10 subject to the existing penalties. In addition to the civil penalty, a minor
11 convicted of possessing an ounce or less of marijuana would be required to
12 complete a drug awareness program and community service, and failure to
13 complete these programs would result in an additional civil penalty of \$300.00
14 and the loss of one's driver's license for 90 days.

15 An act relating to decreasing the penalties for possession of small amounts
16 of marijuana

17 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

18 (TEXT OMITTED IN SHORT-FORM BILLS)