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Don't be fooled. This Measure is about **money** and the **influence** it buys.

They **say** the goal is "**safe neighborhoods**" – **But**, dispensaries bring crime:

- Garden Grove – Armed robber forced people to the ground at gunpoint in a marijuana dispensary. (City News Service.)
- San Bernardino - A security guard was shot and killed in a robbery attempt of a marijuana dispensary. (City News Service)
- Long Beach - Federal conviction for a "drug kingpin" dispensary owner and local attorney for money laundering. The dispensaries generated more than \$25 million. (OC Register)

They **say** the goal is "**protection of children**" – **But**, this Measure allows for home delivery to high school students. The Measure says: "At the time of delivery, the individual performing delivery must check that the individual is eighteen (18) years of age."

Council member Jeannine Pearce website says that: "In order to prevent crime, Jeannine believes we have to focus on the youth in our district." **But**, she is supporting a Measure that will give the youth of Long Beach marijuana to use or to sell on the streets of Long Beach.

They **say** the goal is "**funding of public safety and communities**" – **But**, this Measure reduces the tax on marijuana and will cause a **\$5,000,000** hole in the City's budget. It will result in cuts in your Police Department and Fire Department services.

Don't be **fooled** by the lie that this is about access for cancer patients that need their medical marijuana. Access for "patients", over twenty-one years old, was approved by City Council months ago.

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