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**To:** Interested Parties  
**From:** Ruth Bernstein, EMC Research  
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**Re:** **Results of Statewide Voter Poll on California Marijuana Laws**

EMC Research conducted a telephone poll of 800 likely 2012 voters in California from November 17-21, 2011 to study voter attitudes on California's marijuana laws. The survey results show that voters strongly support California's medical marijuana law, and would like to see some additional reforms and state level oversight of the current system.

#### **Key findings of the California voter survey:**

- By a large margin, **California voters support the state's law allowing the use of marijuana for medical reasons.** More than 7 in 10 (71%) of voters favor the law, and only 26% oppose it.
- At the same time, **many voters see the need for reforms to the current system.** These results reflect a strong desire on the part of voters to insure that medical patients have continued access to marijuana but with uniform statewide rules.

*Regardless of whether or not you support the law, thinking about medical marijuana in California, which of the following statements is closer to your opinion:*

- *We need to improve access for patients who need it (33% chose this statement)*
- *The current system seems to be working about right (13% chose this statement)*
- *We need stronger and stricter regulations (46% chose this statement)*
- **Voters support increased statewide oversight of medical marijuana system.** More than 3 in 4 (77%) support *establishing uniform state rules for regulating, controlling and taxing medical marijuana;* and 69% support *creating a state enforcement division to regulate and control all entities involved in the commercial cultivation, manufacture, distribution, and sale of medical marijuana in California and requires their mandatory registration with the state.*
- **Voters strongly support employment rights for medical marijuana patients.** Two in three voters (66%) agree and only 28% of voters disagree with the statement *employers should not be allowed to discriminate against workers who use medical marijuana off the job.*

**Survey Methodology:** The survey was conducted by telephone among a random sample of 800 likely November 2012 voters in California. The results have an overall margin of error of +/- 3.46% at the 95% confidence level. The survey was conducted November 17-21, 2011.