## HOUSE BILL 1695

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1 AN ACT Relating to the possession of controlled substances; 2 amending RCW 69.50.4013 and 69.50.4014; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 69.50.4013 and 2003 c 53 s 334 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 (1) It is unlawful for any person to <u>knowingly</u> possess a controlled 7 substance unless the substance was obtained directly from, or pursuant 8 to, a valid prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the 9 course of his or her professional practice, or except as otherwise 10 authorized by this chapter.

(2) Except as provided in RCW 69.50.4014, any person who violates
this section is guilty of a class C felony punishable under chapter
9A.20 RCW.

14 Sec. 2. RCW 69.50.4014 and 2003 c 53 s 335 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 Except as provided in RCW 69.50.401(2)(c), any person found guilty

1 of ((possession of)) knowingly possessing forty grams or less of 2 marihuana is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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