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Rep. Allen sends letter advocating cannabis research

Earlier this week, 12 Republican legislative colleagues joined Rep. Allen in sending a letter to every member of Wisconsin's congressional delegation. The letter asked them to explore ways of reducing regulatory red tape surrounding research into cannabis.

Might it be that the United States is falling behind other nations in researching cannabis for medicinal purposes? Additionally, there is no concerted effort among the states to gather and analyze data regarding possible links between cannabis and violence, mental health, child abuse, or child neglect.

“For better or worse, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is the agency best suited to facilitate scientific research into the safety and efficacy of cannabis,” said Rep. Allen. “Unfortunately, the classification by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) of cannabis as a Schedule I drug has led to the creation of high hurdles for potential researchers to overcome. Red tape needs to be reduced.”

You can read the full text of the letter and the names of those who signed [by following this link](#).

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and the Towns of Waukesha, Genesee, and Mukwonago.*