



*Celebrating 10 Years of
Alaska cannabis advocacy
& looking ahead to the
next 10 years!*



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About the AMIA

Our Mission

We promote and advocate for a vibrant and reasonably regulated Alaska-based cannabis industry

- We are the only cannabis industry association in Alaska.
- We represent cannabis businesses all across Alaska.
- Our membership is free!
- We were formed in 2015.
- We are a registered Alaska Non Profit Corporation
- We currently have 9 Board of Directors



Want to Know More? Visit us at: WWW.ALASKAMIA.ORG

The Early Days...



Things were exciting, vibrant, and strong!

The background of the slide is a close-up, high-resolution photograph of cannabis leaves. The leaves are a vibrant green color and have a serrated, palmate shape. They are arranged in a way that creates a sense of depth and texture, with some leaves in the foreground being more prominent than others in the background. The lighting is even, highlighting the veins on the leaves.

Fast forward from 2017 to 2025 ...

Our Industry is struggling and on the brink of failure! What went wrong & how do we fix it?

First, Let's take a trip back in time....

Alaska begins licensing businesses and collecting tax revenue at a rate of \$50/oz. (The highest rate in the nation)

2016

Ballot Measure 2 legalized recreational cannabis use for adults.

2021

Crippled by a crazy high excise and IRS rule 280E, and the flood of unregulated products - tax delinquency in Alaska begins to soar and businesses begin to fail.

2025

AMIA continues to advocate for meaningful tax reductions through SB 73 - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

2014

2015

Alaska Marijuana Control Board was established, creating a regulatory framework for the industry.

2018

Federal Farm Bill passed. Hemp becomes mainstream and clever entrepreneurs exploit a loophole in the bill paving the way for a flood of intoxicating hemp products.

2023

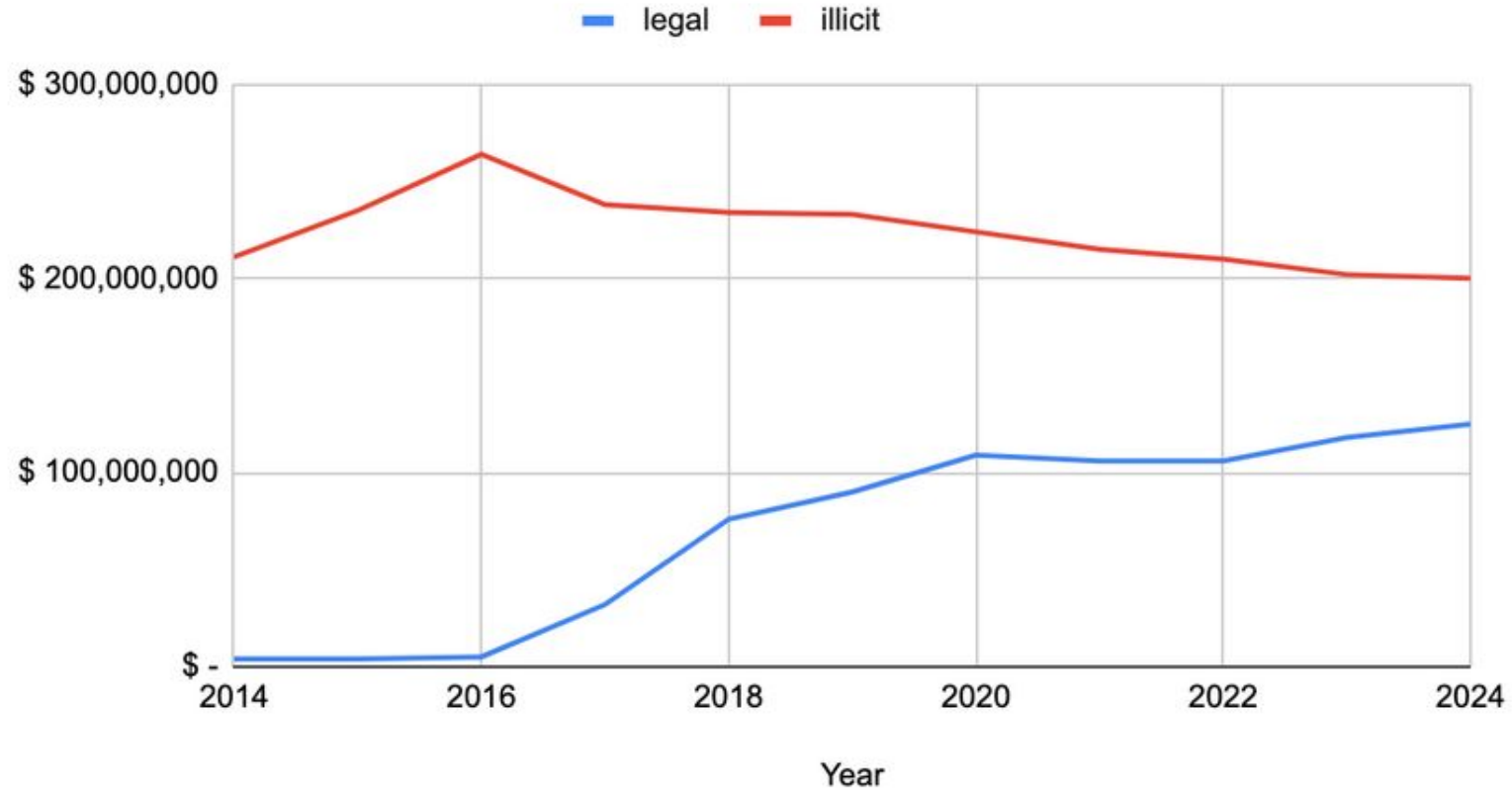
AMIA successfully advocates for a ban on intoxicating hemp products - but despite our efforts real industry relief is yet to be seen.

How do we save our home grown “ALL ALASKAN” Industry?

- We have proven to be responsible business actors and we are eager to prove that every day!
- We need you to see value in the industry and jobs we have created!
- We need you to enforce the flood of unregulated hemp products into our state.
- We need you to create value in our licenses by placing limits on licensing.
- We need you to relax regulations that prevent us from competing with the shadow markets.
- **AND WE NEED YOU TO LOWER THE TAXES BY SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 73!**

**Because without these things, the unregulated market will
continue to thrive – while Alaska's share is decimated.**

Alaska's Legal vs. Illicit Marijuana Market Size by Year



What will the graph look like if more legal businesses fail?

**You have been fearless leaders! You have
blazed a path that has been an example for
the entire nation!**



**We need
your
leadership
now more
than ever!**

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