

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 5084

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 7, 2020

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 5084.

This bill would reclassify possession of psilocybin as a disorderly persons offense. Currently, possession of psilocybin is a crime of the third degree pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection a. of N.J.S.2C:35-10.

Psilocybin is a Schedule I controlled dangerous substance pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1970, c.226 (C.24:21-5), meaning that it “has high potential for abuse and no accepted medical use in treatment in the United States, or lacks accepted safety for use in treatment under medical supervision.”

A crime of the third degree is punishable by a term of imprisonment of three to five years, a fine of up to \$15,000, or both. A disorderly persons offense is punishable by a term of imprisonment of up to six months, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both.