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Is It Legal??

The legalization of marijuana is another battlefield in the ongoing war between state and federal governments over power granted in the US Constitution. Issue 3 is an item up for vote that would legalize marijuana in the state of Ohio, yet parts of Issue 3 contradict or are in direct violation of federal law.

Directions: Using the info provided on ballotpedia.org, please read the scenarios and determine whether the person's action is legal, or illegal under state and/or federal law. Then answer the question at the bottom of the page.

Scenario	State Government	Federal Government
1. An 18 year old citizen smoking marijuana	YES NO	YES NO
2. A 32 year old woman possessing an ounce of marijuana	YES NO	YES NO
3. A 46 year old woman smoking marijuana in her own home	YES NO	YES NO
4. A private citizen growing 4 marijuana plants in their private residence	YES NO	YES NO
5. A 23 year old man smoking marijuana at the State House	YES NO	YES NO

Question: What common themes did you notice from the activity? Please write your answer below.