

Protect Idahoans and Say **NO to Fentanyl Drug Traffickers**

Fentanyl **MUST** be Added to our Mandatory Minimum Drug Sentencing Law
Vote YES on House Bill 406

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is

50X STRONGER THAN HEROIN
100X STRONGER THAN MORPHINE

The CDC estimates that

6 OUT OF EVERY 10 FENTANYL PILLS
CONTAIN A FATAL DOSE

Fentanyl can also be found in counterfeit pills that are made to look like prescription pills.



Fentanyl is a PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

Fentanyl traffickers must know that **Idahoans WILL NOT tolerate** the peddling of this poison that is destroying lives.

86%
OF IDAHOANS

Support adding fentanyl to the state's mandatory minimum sentencing law.

562%
INCREASE

In fentanyl confiscations by law enforcement in one year, up from 19,000 pills to 125,000.

49%
OF OPIOID DEATHS*

Were related to fentanyl in 2022, roughly the same as the number of traffic deaths during that year.

*These numbers are **highly underreported** because not all Idaho coroners conduct toxicology screens on overdose deaths due to the high costs.

**MANDATORY
MINIMUM
SENTENCES**



**POWERFUL
DETERRENT FOR
DRUG CARTELS
& POTENTIAL
TRAFFICKERS**

**THOSE WHO SELL FENTANYL ARE NOT JUST DEALING DRUGS -
THEY ARE DEALING DEATH**

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Why **Idaho Needs** Stringent Sentencing Guidelines for **Fentanyl Traffickers**

ILLEGALLY MADE FENTANYL: ONE PILL CAN KILL



2 mg of fentanyl, the amount on the tip of this pencil, can be enough to **kill an average American**, according to the DEA.

Fentanyl has a heroin-like effect.

Fentanyl is often added to other drugs because of its **extreme potency**, which makes illegal drugs cheaper, more powerful, more addictive, and more dangerous.

Idaho's Recent Fentanyl Busts

JUNE 2023

- **Largest fentanyl bust** in Idaho
- **30,000 fentanyl pills** found with main distributor from large drug trafficking organization with direct ties to Mexico
- **12-15 pounds of fentanyl** were being locally distributed each week, equating to \$50k-\$100k

AUGUST 2023

- Idaho/Oregon dual investigation
- Discovered **21,000 fentanyl pills** and **531 grams of fentanyl powder**
- 25 people arrested and charged

DECEMBER 2023

- Statewide investigation that continued into Montana
- **5,300 fentanyl pills** discovered in Idaho Falls
- **400 fentanyl pills** uncovered in Pocatello
- **4,800 fentanyl pills** confiscated in Coeur d'Alene

Pros of Mandatory Minimums

Support Law Enforcement

Idaho's law enforcement is on the front lines and see the devastating effects of fentanyl every day.

Mandatory minimums will help our law enforcement keep dangerous traffickers out of our communities.

Deter Drug Cartels

Drug cartels are a cutthroat business. They do not care about people; they care about money.

Mandatory minimums add an additional obstacle for cartels. They will analyze the risks and choose to go elsewhere.

Hold Traffickers Accountable

As of May 2022, only 2.9% of Idaho's prison population consists of drug traffickers. **Mandatory minimums will NOT overload our prison system.**

Traffickers must face the consequences of their poor decisions, and victims deserve justice.

Prevent Overdose Deaths

Drug traffickers target vulnerable populations, including teenagers and individuals struggling with addiction.

Mandatory minimums mean less traffickers and less drugs on our streets, which will help save lives and better protect Idaho citizens.

**YOU EITHER BACK THE BLUE -
OR YOU BACK DRUG CARTELS**