



**FY2010 RECOMMENDATION/FY10-D18 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES:
POSSESSION**

Status: Implementation Complete

Actions/Updates

2013 UPDATE

Reports regarding the impacts of House Bill 2010-1352 were completed between 2012 and 2013 by the Division of Criminal Justice, Office of Research and Statistics (These reports are available at ors.colorado.gov/ors-reports.)

2012 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION

This recommendation was implemented with the passing of HB 10-1352.

Description

Possession of any Schedule III - V controlled substance (except Flunitrazepam and Ketamine) shall be a class 1 misdemeanor.

Agencies Responsible

Discussion

Flunitrazepam and Ketamine are commonly referred to as “date rape” drugs. Because abuse of these drugs significantly threatens public safety, they are excluded from the list of drugs in this recommendation.

Since 1999, Colorado statutes have required the so called “date rape” drug flunitrazepam, a Schedule III drug, to carry a penalty consistent with a Schedule I drug. This recommendation continues that penalty. In addition, the Commission recommends extending this treatment to ketamine, another drug used in the commission of sexual assault.