

On Utah Politics IV

The Salt Lake Tribune reports, “Representatives from the [Mormon] church, the Utah Medical Association and a pro-cannabis group met for seven hours in House Speaker Greg Hughes’ office Monday, trying to hammer out details of a plan” for medical marijuana legalization. What the actual fuck? They, the Mormon Church, aren’t even hiding their political involvement anymore. Article 1, Section 4 of Utah’s constitution reads, “There shall be no union of Church and State, nor shall any church dominate the State or interfere with its functions.” Is working directly with State actors to craft and pass State legislation interfering with State functions? Sure seems that way to me. Far be it from me to give two shits about what some arbitrary constitution says, but the Mormon church does, or at least says it does. At what point does the Mormon Church’s interference in State functions warrant a lawsuit? Does anyone in Utah even have the courage to sue the Mormon Church? This could get interesting. And that’s today’s two cents.