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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. Prohibiting the nonmedical use of certain mind-altering substances has been a public policy goal of the federal government for more than a century. Drug abuse is a problem in the United States due to its economic cost, estimated to have been over \$160 billion in 2000. This sum includes lost productivity, health care costs, and criminal justice expenditures. More than 1.6 million people are estimated to have been arrested in the United States in 2003 for drug abuse violations. The U.S. government remains committed to a policy of zero tolerance when it comes to the use of controlled substances. A different approach has recently emerged in Europe and elsewhere as governments experiment with less restrictive policies, such as decriminalization and harm reduction measures. Among the early actions of the 108th Congress were passage of the remaining appropriations for FY2003, including those for the many federal drug control agencies and programs, and passage of the Illicit Drug AntiProliferation Act of 2003, designed to control the use of club drugs such as Ecstasy. The House passed H.R. 2086, to reauthorize...



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