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TESTIMONY

To the House Committee on Health and on Public Safety

RE: HB672 Relating to Health, to be heard on Friday, February 8, at 8:30 AM in conference room 329

The Libertarian Party opposes HB672. Anyone of you can go into supermarkets and other retailers and see that the tobacco products are locked up behind glass displays. Few of them are behind the “counter”. This bill will create costs from many businesses who have already taken expensive steps to achieve the goals the legislature has defined in HB672.

The use of tobacco products has fallen dramatically in the last forty years due to the widespread dissemination of factual information about its dangers. What we don't need is to go down the failed route the government has taken with other drugs to continually add more penalties and restrictions.

Very Truly Yours:



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DATE: Friday, February 8, 2013 TIME: 8:30 a.m. PLACE: CR 329

TO: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Rep. Della Au Belatti, Chair

Rep. Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Rep. Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair

Rep. Kaniela Ing, Vice Chair

FROM: Hawaii Food Industry Association - Lauren Zirbel, Executive Director

RE: HB 672 RELATING TO HEALTH

POSITION: HFIA opposes this bill.

To the Chair and Committee Members:

The Hawaii Food Industry Association is comprised of two hundred member companies representing retailers, suppliers, producers and distributors of food and beverage related products in the State of Hawaii.

Many of our retailers have expressed grave concerns about their inability to implement this law. Our members feel that this bill creates a very difficult level of micro-managing of their retailing functions. Retailers have long recognized the health hazards of smoking cigarettes and for that reason they store cigarettes and certain tobacco products behind their counters. However, some specialty tobacco products, like cigars, can at times be available as self-service.

Regarding the component on advertising of cigarettes and tobacco products, this violates the commercial of free speech doctrine. Provisions dictating exact distances that advertisements can be placed from gum or snacks are especially difficult to implement therefor retail stores will have to fear being fined for violating despite their best attempts to comply with the law.

There are already strict laws and penalties that prohibit the sale of cigarettes and tobacco to minors. Sting operations have proven to be successful in this area. While it is in the best interest of the legislature to promote non-use of tobacco products by minors, government should not write laws on how retailers should merchandise their stores, and legislators should not over regulate for the sake of doing it.

Educating our keiki on the harmfulness of cigarettes and tobacco products should start at home and in schools. The tobacco settlement money funds many non-profit organizations to educate and increase awareness of the use of tobacco-related products.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



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**TESTIMONY
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
On HB 672 – Relating to Health
Friday, February 8, 2013, 8:30a
Conference Room 329
State Capitol**

February 5, 2013

To: Representative Della Au Belatti, Chair, Representative Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair and Committee Members:

ABC Stores OPPOSES House Bill 672, Relating to Health.

My name is Paul Kosasa, President and CEO of ABC Stores, a local company doing business in Hawaii for over 60 years, with 50+ stores statewide.

We agree that tobacco products are a health concern and illegal for minor to use them. Thus, is it illegal for any retailer that sells tobacco products to sell to anyone under the age of 18. There are effective laws in effect that properly enforce this. Statistics show that programs that educate children prevent tobacco use.

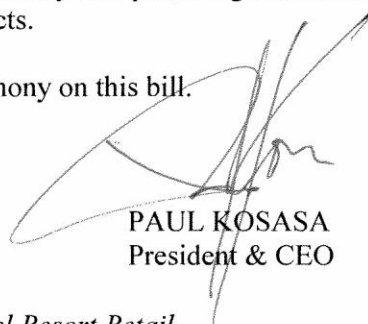
*"The overall impact of tobacco on the lives of Hawaii's youth has declined from 2000 to 2011. Fewer teens have experimented with using any form of tobacco and fewer teens are current smokers. Tobacco use, especially cigarette use, has declined dramatically as has exposure to secondhand smoke."
Source: 2011 Hawai'i Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) and Comparisons with Prior Years, Hawaii State Department of Health May 2012.*

There is no evidence that there is a causal relationship of advertising of tobacco products in close proximity to candy, chips, or toys influences children to eventually purchase tobacco as adults. If there is, I would like to request a copy of the findings.

Enacting legislation to regulate how retailers are to locate particular products and advertise legal products is a bit disturbing. If lawmakers feel that a ten year old is unable to distinguish right and wrong, unable to take personal responsibility for their own well-being and their decision-making, then I must conclude that our parenting and teachers are failing our children.

Educating our keiki on the harmfulness of cigarettes and tobacco products should start at home and in schools. The tobacco settlement money funds many non-profit organizations to educate and increase awareness of the use of tobacco-related products.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this bill.



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paul Hanada	Aloha Shell Service	Oppose	No

Comments: I do not support the inclusion of electronic cigarettes as a tobacco product. The lack of information should not be a reason to classify a product detrimental. It may help those who want to quit smoking or offer a less intrusive alternative. Classifying and taxing it as tobacco is totally unfair to the consumer.

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To: The Honorable Della Au Belatti, Chair, Committee on Health
The Honorable Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair, Committee on Health
Members, House Committee on Health
From: Jessica Yamauchi, Executive Director
Date: February 7, 2013
Hrg: House Committee on Health; Fri., February 8, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in Rm 329
Re: **Support for HB 672, Relating to Health**

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony in support of HB 672 requiring tobacco products to be stored behind a counter, and requiring that advertisements that promote the use of tobacco be placed away from children. Additionally this bill seeks to restrict the sale of electronic cigarettes to minors.

Prior to 2009, due to federal preemption, Hawaii lacked the legal authority to limit the display of tobacco products. In 2009, President Obama signed the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act into law. This federal law now allows local and state governments the ability to address the way tobacco products are sold and advertised.

This is an exciting step in having proactive policies that improve our public health.

This bill addresses three important issues:

- 1) The placement of cigarettes and tobacco products,
- 2) The advertisement of tobacco products at point of sale and
- 3) The sale of electronic cigarettes to minors.

The placement of cigarettes and tobacco products.

The Coalition supports this section of the bill in full. Research has shown that eliminating self-service options for tobacco products reduces youth access to tobacco as well as theft of the products.

Other Tobacco Products or OTPs are usually located on the counter at the point of sale in most convenient stores, where they are easily accessible. Research has shown that preventing the display of tobacco products leads to a decrease in the number of adolescents experimenting with and becoming addicted to those tobacco products.¹ This bill will reduce youth access to tobacco, as well as the theft of tobacco products. The World Health Organization has endorsed a ban on retail tobacco product displays as an effective method of reducing tobacco use.²

OTPs should be kept behind the counter, like cigarettes, where the product is only accessible by an employee. This will keep the products away from eyesight of our youth and take away a powerful marketing tool currently enjoyed by a deadly industry. Prohibiting self-service tobacco

¹ Markus P. Bidell, *Case Study of Attempts to Enact Self Service Tobacco Display Ordinances: A Tale of Three Communities*, Tobacco Control, 71-77 (2000)

² World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, *Guidelines for Implementation of Article 13*, adopted Nov. 2008



displays is a promising practice that many states are considering or have enacted. Minnesota law prohibits self-service displays of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco, except in age-restricted retail tobacco stores that derive at least 90 percent of their revenue from the sale of tobacco and tobacco-related products.³ Similarly, New York State prohibits self-service tobacco displays in retail stores that are open to minors.⁴

The advertisement of tobacco products at point of sale.

The Coalition supports the intent of this section but understands that the specific remedies proposed may pose legal challenges to the State. The Coalition strongly urges the Legislature to explore additional options to address the advertisement of tobacco products at the point of sale.

The tobacco industry spends \$25 million on marketing its products to people in Hawaii. This marketing includes ads and product displays at the point of sale and in storefronts. Collectively, this impacts our children and those trying to quit.

In 2010, the Hawaii Tobacco Alcohol and Advertising Survey⁵ results were released. The results summarize data collected from more than 300 stores statewide. Results indicate that tobacco companies aggressively market its products at stores—through storefront ads and through the display of the products themselves. Tobacco products were regularly placed near candy and toys—products often enjoyed by children. 97% of stores had tobacco products at the point of sale and 90% had tobacco ads at the point of sale.

Tobacco ads play a major role in youth smoking. Worldwide and in the US, tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship entice young people to use tobacco, encourage smokers to smoke more, and decrease smokers' motivation to quit.⁶ Eighty-three percent of young smokers (aged 12-17) in the United States choose the three most heavily advertised brands.⁷

Unlike other products which outreach to consumers at stores, tobacco is deadly when used as directed.

Including Electronic Cigarettes as unlawful tobacco products to sell to minors.

The Coalition supports this section of the bill fully. Currently, there are no federal regulations on electronic cigarettes. This allows electronic cigarettes to advertise on television and radio, offer flavored cartridges, and sell to minors (those under 18 years of age). We recommend that sales to minors and sampling of electronic cigarettes be prohibited.

³ MINN. STAT. § 461.18, subd. 1.

⁴ N.Y. PUB. HEALTH LAW § 1399-cc(7).

⁵The Survey is the result of a partnership among the Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawaii, REAL—Hawaii's Youth Movement Exposing the Tobacco Industry, the Cancer Research Center of Hawaii, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, and the State Department of Health (Alcohol Drug Abuse Division and Tobacco Prevention Education Program.

⁶ *World Health Organization Report on the Global Tobacco Epidemic 2008: The mpower Package*. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2008. <http://www.who.int/tobacco/mpower/en/>

⁷ Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, *The National Survey on Drug Use and Health: 2004 Detailed Tables, Tobacco Brands* (2005);



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TOBACCO-FREE HAWAII

Tobacco products are still the leading cause of preventable disease and death. We can reduce this by making sure youth never start and tobacco users have every opportunity to quit. This measure will continue to place Hawaii at the forefront of tobacco prevention and control.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this measure.

Jessica Yamauchi, M.A.
Executive Director

The Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawaii (Coalition) is an independent organization in Hawaii working to reduce tobacco use through education, policy and advocacy.

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adam burnett	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Aloha, Electronic cigarettes are not tobacco products because they do not emit smoke. Allowing this law to pass would make big tobacco companies in charge in an area they control and would stop a lot of money being made by the government because you would take the convenience away from the people who buy the product. In 7- 11 and mom and pops shops, they sell cigarettes just behind the counter right next to candies and gums. There should be no reason why ecigs could not be the same thing. 18 and over is cool but there have been studies to support that teens are just not interested in the product. <http://www.ecigadvanced.com/blog/new-study-kids-dont-care-about-e-cigs/> that is a link talking about this point on kis. I hope to see you guys soon. Mahalo

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Quinn R. Allen	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: This bill seems to be aimed at shutting down small business owners here in Hawaii. Hundreds of small convenience store owners, mall e-cig vendors, and other similar retail stores will either have to shut down business because they won't be able to afford to make the changes needed, or will shut down not long after due to higher costs for retail spaces that fit the needs mandated in the this attempted regulation. My greatest concern is for the ecigarette vendors working out of mall kiosks. They currently provide an invaluable service as there is no other device, drug, or system that works as well as electronic cigarettes for helping people to quit smoking. Most of these companies are small, privately own companies, one of which, Volcano Fine Electronic Cigarettes, is actually based here in Hawaii. They are providing jobs and funneling money into the state with their national web sales. I know that if this passed then they would have to move out of the malls, and there is no guarantee that they would be able to move into brick and mortar stores outside of mall properties. Essentially, you would be forcing companies like this to spend upwards of \$20k to move into a brick and mortar store and make cabinets and counters, and unless this bill will give money to these companies to make this happen then it will force the business to close down locations and terminate many jobs for people with families to take care of. I'm all in support for limiting the sales of tobacco and e-cig products to minors, but at some point we need to move away from expecting stores to do the jobs of parents.

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ashley kainoa	Individual	Oppose	No

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Brian Bardos	Individual	Oppose	No

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Brittney Nery	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cory Smith	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Aloha Senate Health Committee Members, My name is Cory N. Smith and I am the owner and operator of VOLCANO Fine Electronic Cigarettes. We are the largest manufacturer and Retailer of Electronic Cigarettes here in the state of Hawaii, with over 8 locations statewide and over 70 full-time employees. We stand opposed to Senate Bill 652 for various reasons, which I will detail herein. First of all, I commend the drafters of Senate Bill 652 for attempting to further limit marketing avenues and retail access to tobacco cigarettes that are known to cause each year, an estimated 443,000 people to die prematurely from smoking or exposure to secondhand smoke, and another 8.6 million people to live with a serious illness caused by smoking. This purpose is clearly stated within the bills justification stating specifically "The purpose of this Act is to reduce the number of minors and youth who 'smoke' through the restriction of placement of tobacco sales and advertising" I ask that you please pay close attention to the use of the words "smoking" and "tobacco" in the aforementioned facts, figures, and in the bills justification, because there is a distinct difference between smoking through the use of traditional tobacco cigarettes that are either comprised of or contain tobacco, and that of vaping or the use of electronic cigarettes. We are fully aware of the fact that the word "cigarette" in "electronic cigarettes" is the main culprit of all confusion surrounding the product and our industry has made many strides over the past few years to clarify this moniker, as I will attempt to do here as well. First of all, electronic cigarettes are not comprised of tobacco, nor do they contain any tobacco, and thus the major issue with Senate Bill 652 becomes clear. The bill clearly states in plain verbiage "'Tobacco' and 'tobacco products' include electronic cigarettes." How does one propose to label an electronic cigarette a tobacco product when such product clearly does not contain tobacco? Electronic cigarettes do not produce first-hand, second-hand, third-hand, or any smoke for that matter. Thus the justification for the bill, which I recited earlier, "to reduce the number of children and teens in Hawaii who smoke", will not be achieved by adding electronic cigarettes to the definition of "tobacco" or "tobacco products". The bill skews the definition of electronic cigarettes with loosely worded verbiage that produces many unintended consequences and merely tries to impose restrictions on a product that is vastly different from any other product that falls within the bounds of "tobacco" or "tobacco products." Electronic Cigarettes are battery powered devices that are sold with many common electronic components that can be found in cameras, remote controlled cars and airplanes, and a plethora of other common consumer electronic devices. The bills definition of electronic cigarettes clearly states such common electrical components as "batteries", "electronic circuits", "mechanical heating elements", and "any other component or related device" that is used to deliver "vapor". Please note the word "vapor" in the bills verbiage. So are we to believe that the removable/rechargeable lithium ion battery that is used in a plethora of other electronic components, as well as in electronic cigarettes, are now being labeled "tobacco" or "tobacco products" because it is

a related component or device? What about the leather carrying cases and the fabric lanyards that are used as a carrying strap? I think it's fair to say that this loosely worded description places unintentional limitations and regulations on products that would in no way be construed by any citizen of this state as a "tobacco product". And furthermore, lets re-examine the wording of "used to deliver vapor". I think its safe to say that the delivery of vapor is vastly different than that of smoking. In fact the concise definition of smoking is: "the gaseous products of burning carbonaceous materials made visible by the presence of small particles of carbon." On the other-hand, water vapor containing traces of particulate matter, such as water evaporating from a teakettle, is not ordinarily understood to be "smoke" and I would venture to say that no common individual would refer to it as such. Electronic cigarettes are a completely smokeless alternative to traditional cigarettes. Their use may mimic smoking; but, there is no combustion and the user inhales vapor, not smoke. They are not sold, nor are they marketed as a tobacco product or as a nicotine addiction treatment and therefore have no place in being restricted as such. Absent of the committee agreeing with me on any of the facts stated up until this point, which I feel has more than adequately removed electronic cigarettes from the scope of Senate Bill 652's justification and intended result, I still will argue the various subsections of statutes that are being proposed that we are vehemently opposed to. The revisions to Chapter 328J would aim to include Electronic Cigarette retailers in the restriction from being able to market, advertise or offer for sale electronic cigarettes within 25 feet of children's products or toys; ie cookies, candy, ice cream, gum or snacks. First of all, I was unaware that those specific products were "children's products" as I've been purchasing them as an adult for quite some time now. But what exactly is a children's product? And for that matter, what exactly is a toy? The bill does a very meager job of trying to define that specifically which will leave a lot to be desired come enforcement time. If as a retailer I were to open a store in a shopping center and a Baskin and Robbins Ice Cream retailer moved into the space next to me, does that automatically void my lease and mean that I can no longer offer my products for sale? What about a GameStop retailer who sells video games? Are those children's products and/or toys? I know quite a few adults who make quite a good living playing video games and yet this is not explained either. The revision to 328J also states that any advertisement must be above 4 feet off of the ground. Are children not able to see above four feet? If this is the case, maybe we should be considering the restriction of advertising for candy, gums, ice creams, and snacks below four feet because Childhood obesity has more than doubled in children and tripled in adolescents in the past 30 years, and the occurrence of childhood type-1 diabetes has sky rocketed. Although the bill may be well conceived, I think it's fair to say that it's successful execution has been thoroughly missed and will actually create many more problems than the one it aims to solve. With that in mind, we humbly ask that this bill not be referred on. Thank you very much, Cory N. Smith On behalf of JOCOR Enterprises LLC dba Volcanoecigs.

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Cheryl Saad	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Vaping has no second hand effects so we should be allowed to vape in common areas.

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Dave Fahrenwald	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Enough regulations already!

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Elizabeth Bennett	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I think what you guy's are trying to do is wrong. Tobacco is bad for us, and this is way better for our health.

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Frankie Amano	Individual	Oppose	No

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Guylyn Hashimoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Electronic Cigarettes are not a tobacco product there is no tobacco in any of the products or used in the making of so how could you possibly categorize us with tobacco products? therefore i do not think this should apply to electronic cigarettes. the goal of the electronic cigarette industry is to try and make our world a healthier place by replacing traditional tobacco cigarettes. we do not promote nor cater to children we are an age restricted product but all in all so much more healthier than a regular tobacco cigarette. why the state would try and take this new found health and freedom away from the people that are using the product is beyond me. we should be focusing on the really important things that are going wrong in the state like traffic accidents and the work and readiness to help prevent these unfortunate events. Electronic cigarettes should not be categorized with tobacco products plain and simple.

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Jaime Galam	Individual	Oppose	No

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Testimony for HLT on Feb 8, 2013 08:30AM in Conference Room 329

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joerlynn Shimabukuro	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jasmine Teal	Individual	Oppose	No

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Kimberley Aqui	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose this legislation as it makes it more difficult and ultimately more expensive for me to acquire a product that has increased the quality of my life and my family's.

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Kayley Franchuk	Individual	Oppose	No

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kayla kaneshiro-holt	Individual	Oppose	No

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Kahiau Stephenson	Individual	Oppose	No

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Larry Caldwell	Individual	Oppose	No

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Michael Suzuki	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am apposed to this bill because ecigs aren't tobacco products. There are no seciond hand smoke side effects as this is a water vapor and does not contain all the harsh chemicals and carcinogens as cigarettes do. classifying ecigs as such would be unjust.

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Perez-Infantes, Gwendolyn	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose this legislation. It will make it more difficult and more expensive to get a product that has improved my health substantially.

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Russell HAtada	Individual	Oppose	No

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Richard Hernandez	Individual	Oppose	Yes

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Scott Baptiste	Individual	Oppose	No

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Sheri Kong	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly disagree with this bill. This device poses no problem to the people in the environment. It has helped me quit smoking.

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tiana lee thompson	Individual	Oppose	No

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yuko uyeda	Individual	Oppose	Yes

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Alexis van Oosterom	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I disagree with this ban because I don't think the vapor is harmful to anyone unlike cigarettes and second hand smoke.

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charleston pinzon	Individual	Oppose	No

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Christian Zvakos	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: It's great, it helps people to quit actual cigarettes. It does not have a smell and you can't get second hand smoke problems from it. It actually tastes good too. It is very convenient.

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Daniel Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

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davin blaine	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: the only thing that helped me quit smoking... been a 3 pack a day smoker.

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Dallas Kajihiro	Individual	Oppose	No

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Donnie Landers	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I think that E cigs and volcano flow is a great idea. It helps people to stop smoking which is helping their health. The e cigs have great safety factors as well. Great!!!

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Gary Guzman	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jeankey Doronio	Individual	Oppose	No

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Kimberly gueco	Individual	Oppose	No

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Kui Higgins	Individual	Oppose	No

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Leslie Alcaide	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I think it's bogus because it is not affiliated with tobacco and that it helps me with my progress of quitting smoking.

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Ty Kashiwamura	Individual	Oppose	No

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lloyd lau	Individual	Oppose	No

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Leander Morse	Individual	Oppose	No

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Malani De la nux	Individual	Oppose	No

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Mark Medriano	Individual	Oppose	No

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matthew thompson	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: helps alot with not smoking cigarettes

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Nicholas Kaio	Individual	Oppose	No

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Ricardo Ibale	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: i dissagree i think that the tobacco cigs are more dangerous than the ECigs due to the tar and many other chemicals that we (the people) dont even know!

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Rafael Marquez	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Second hand smoke from vaporizers is not harmful to others around us. We need to support the new alternative to tobacco. I do not smoke tobacco, but I believe that if we can have people smoke indoors and not harm anyone; it will benefit everyone such as nightclubs and restaurants.

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rusty r silva	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: good that they even made this thing called vape. I smoked for 27 years and now am able to get off of analogs completely. Every time I am at any store locations they ID anyone who looks under the age of 40. I know that this has no smell unlike cigarettes and the way that I feel is much healthier.

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Rachel Santos	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Shelly Black	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: would like electronic cigarettes to be excluded

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Scott Mansfield	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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hanalei lillaz	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: i agree

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Lauren Beardeaux	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: yes

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