

Hello,

I am writing to voice my disapproval of HF904, the proposed banning of the sale of Flavored Tobacco products. I am a resident in Eden Prairie, and banning this legal product is a violation against our rights as an adult Citizen. While I understand the risks of tobacco use and that there are some that think flavors make it easier to START the habit, the products are legal on a federal level, and we must have the right to choose if we want to use them or not. This would be a massive infringement on how we live our daily lives as law abiding citizens, and would also cost the state millions in tax dollars with people shopping for these products in our neighboring states.

The last thing that people want to hear after 1 year of a pandemic is that you are trying to take away another freedom of ours as a Minnesota resident.

Minnesota successfully raised the smoking age to 21, which again is an infringement on 18+ adults, however the goal to keep tobacco out of children under 18 may have been helped as a result of this law change. Minnesota needs to stop with that, and focus attention on negative smoking campaigns in high schools and middle schools instead of imposing even stricter laws on those of us over 21, with the clear right to choose if we use a legal flavored tobacco product or not..

Thank you for your consideration.

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