

RIOUX SB 990

I am writing to ask you to vote NO on SB 990.

I was a smoker for over 30 years, tried e-cigarettes, and quit smoking within a week. I have previously tried cold turkey, month long group counseling, patches, and gum, unsuccessfully. It has been over two years since my last cigarette.

E-cigarette vapor has little if any smell at all. I am able to use them in the presence of non-smoking friends and family without disturbing them one bit. They would absolutely let me know if the vapor bothered them due to allergies. In addition, there is no ash, no smell, no litter, and no fire.

Why the State would want to prevent people from using a safer, in many ways, alternative to smoking is beyond my comprehension. There is absolutely no reason to ban these devices in public places, as they harm no one.

Please see the following website for more information on Tobacco Harm Reduction and e-cigarettes: <http://casaa.org/>

"Condemnation without investigation is the height of ignorance".
Albert Einstein.

Sincerely,

Laura Rioux