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I am writing today in regards to proposed legislation on E-cigarettes for lack of a better name. In fact they are not cigarettes. They are an alternative to the traditional product. I understand that my experience with vaping is anecdotal and lacks scientific proof, however I am a member of the voting public so feel that I have the right to express my displeasure with how government is responding to this situation. I am a heavy smoker of the traditional cigarette, my husband is a non-smoker with breathing issues. He would prefer I vape as he finds it does not bother him at all compared to the "real" thing. I have been trying to at least cut back and this alternative helps in a way that other methods have not. I am switching products rather than quitting . I feel the decisions being made ,are being made based on loss of revenue and not in the public's best interests . While arguments are being made about the lack of scientific studies proving e-cigarettes safety, there are plenty of studies proving how unsafe tobacco products are, yet they are still sold by our government. Smokers have been marginalized in society by the very government we elect to protect all our liberties .It seems that is what is happening again with E-cigarettes.

I have lost faith in our government's decision making process. I believe the voice of your constituents are being ignored in favour of business and financial pressure. What I ask is that you speak for us, the people most affected by this proposed legislation. Make decisions based on fact rather than fear .It is not smoking even though it "appears" the same.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

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