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**From:** Nicole Wallace <nix1111@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** October-29-14 5:12 PM  
**To:** Office of the Legislative Counsel  
**Subject:** AMEND BILL 60

I just wanted to let you know that using a e cigarette device, also know as vaping, has changed my life. I was a smoker for 20 years and was starting to get all the nasty side effects associated with smoking cigarettes. I had shortness of breath, reduced energy, a heaviness in the chest, and a terrible cough. Since starting using the e cigarette devices I have none of these problems and I have regained my health.

I think it was short sighted to ban e-juices and it seems that regaining lost tax revenue from tobacco sales is the real motive of the Nova Scotia government. Does the government really want to sacrifice the health of its constituents to regain lost revenue. The reason I say this is because the listed reasons as vaping as a gateway to smoking is ridiculous, I don't know one person that would start smoking based on vaping.

As far as flavored e-juices goes, I prefer something that does not taste like tobacco. When I started using e-juices I started off with a high milligram of nicotine. Now I have gone down to a small milligram with the hope of cutting it down even further. Because of this I no longer seek out tobacco flavored e-juices I prefer something that tastes better. I don't believe that these flavors encourage children to take vaping up anymore than flavored wine coolers or premixed cocktails encourage children to drink alcohol. I guess since the government still gets it "cut" from the alcohol sales this analogy may be dismissed by government officials.

I hope that this is not the only letter you receive on the matter. I also hope that the bill is amended to allow the sale of flavored e-juices. please listen to your constituents and maybe actually seek out independent research matter, I think you will find the initial bases of the argument used to ban the sales of e-juices is irrelevant.

This is really about lost revenue from tobacco sales. If all the people actually quit smoking, as the government seems to pay for millions of dollars in advertising and education to have people quit smoking, then haven't you already planned for the loss of this revenue. And to take this point even further isn't the use of vaping devices as cessation from smoking the result of the government education against smoking, what's next the ban on nicotine patches, inhalers, and gum. As to vaping being banned indoors it can present as a scented product much like perfumes or body sprays, so it is not this point I am arguing against. Nor do I have anything to say about flavored tobacco, these are non-issues. But banning the vaping of e-juices needs to be reconsidered. What vaping flavored e-juices really is, is the culmination of all the education the government has spent money on for people to quit smoking and finding a healthier alternative. Amend Bill 60, don't limit our safer alternative to smoking.

Thank you,  
Nicole Wallace  
Nova Scotia resident