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To. Law Amendments Committee Members

On Wednesday, October 29, 2014 6:13 PM, Kim Murray <kimwm59@yahoo.ca> wrote:

Dear Randy Dlorey,

Thank you for your response to my email regarding (Bill 60)
I must admit after reading it I am a little confused by some of your comments.
I would really appreciate it if you could just clarify a few points for me.

You stated that (and I quote), “the sale of flavored tobacco under the Tobacco Access Act. Including the flavored Juice (a regulation under the act will exempt menthol tobacco because it has been on the market for decades and isn’t marketed to youth!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Would you please be so kind as to send me the link or paper, Study, evidence backing your claims of “marketing flavored juice to Canadian youth” as I must admit I have not seen the proof published anywhere myself and I would be very interested in reading said proof.

I must just mention to you that the Juice we all vape ...is not tobacco!!!
and if you classify it as a tobacco...am I right in assuming that you have more study proof that vaping causes “Smoking Tobacco related illness and death”????
If so again could you please send me the link or paper or study or evidence backing this as I would find this very interesting reading.

There are huge differences betweenA smokers life and A vapers life!!!!
Most smokers of cigarettes ... can expect a life of bad chests..coughs..lung related illness and Death....

Vapers can expect a longer healthier life ...and being able to breath without a wheeze and wake up in the morning without a cough!!!!

I am also finding the Nova Scotia Governments argument against Flavored Juice very hard to understand... How will these flavors entice young people to vapewhen at the same time none of you seem to think that hundreds of Flavored Alcohol products entice young people to drink????????????? How can their be one rule/thinking for one and not the other??????

I have included a study for you Randy, I would appreciate your comments on the results of this study.

<http://www.ecigarette-research.com/web/index.php/research/2014/172-fda-2>

I wonder how many vapers who can no longer vape the wonderful flavors in the juice will go back to smoking a cigarette if (Bill 60) gets passed I wonder how many people will die because Nova Scotia has taken away the one thing that has enabled them to switch over to a healthier way of life.

I also wonder how many future family members of said people will feel so angry at the Provincial Governments for the loss of their loved ones that maybe future lawsuits are pursued... because these people had something other than a cigarette...They had our wonderful flavored juices to vape and Nova Scotia took them away.

I am looking forward to your views on the above

Regards
Kim Murray

On Tuesday, October 28, 2014 4:23 PM, Antigonish MLA Office <office@delorey4antigonish.ca> wrote:

Kim,

Thank you for your email about Bill 60. This bill will regulate waterpipe smoking, e-cigarettes and flavoured tobacco under our tobacco legislation to discourage a culture of smoking among Nova Scotians, especially young people, and protect their health.

While I am glad to hear that using e-cigarettes has helped you and your husband I hope you can appreciate why Bill 60 is important. Banning the sale of flavoured tobacco under the Tobacco Access Act, including the flavoured juice (a regulation under the act will exempt menthol tobacco because it has been on the market for decades and isn't marketed to youth) often used in e-cigarettes is protecting the next generation. In 2012-13, nearly half of Nova Scotia youth who reported using

tobacco use in the past 30 days had used flavoured tobacco. Among all Nova Scotia youth (about 7,500), 9% had used flavoured tobacco.

We've worked hard to shift from a smoking culture toward a smoke-free culture in Nova Scotia. We do not want to lose ground.

I encourage you to learn more about the bill on the Department of Health and Wellness website at <http://novascotia.ca/dhw/healthy-communities/tobacco-act-amendments.asp>.

Thank you for taking the time to contact me and share your story.

Sincerely,

Randy Delorey
MLA, Antigonish

On Sat, Oct 25, 2014 at 12:05 PM, Kim Murray <kimwm59@yahoo.ca> wrote:

My name is Kim Murray, I smoked 35+ cigarettes a day for around 38years, I tried everything over the years to quit or cut down and unfortunately nothing worked.

I was introduced to the E-cig ("Personal Vape" as it's known because it is not a cigarette), by a nurse after my husband had a heart attack. We bought our vapes and from the time they were charged up we HAVE NOT SMOKED A SINGLE CIGARETTE!!!! That was a year ago now.

I agree that vapes / alcohol / cigarettes should not be sold to under 19yr old, that goes without saying. But ban flavors!!!! FOR ADULTS..... WHY?????

Do adults dislike flavored candy????!! NO.... Do people as they grow older dislike flavors???NO..... Do our taste buds only crave boring bland foods...or drinks????!!!! NO.....

If your going to ban flavors in our vape juice..... then why are you not banning flavors in vodka...or Bacardi..or shots .etc etc or in any kind of flavored alcohol ??? as this may entice children to buy these drinks because they have "kiddy flavors"!!!!!!

I personally believe you will not ban the flavors in alcohol because you know that it is e legal for the under 19's to purchase alcohol....and us "Adults" do enjoy our strawberry daiquiri or our lager and lime and our rum with that wonderful coke flavor in it!!!!!!

Once the law is introduced to ban under 19's from purchasing a vape ...Your worry about children being enticed with flavors should be no more!!!!!! because now its illegal for any child to purchase them, or be sold to them...Just the same as its illegal to buy or sell alcohol to under 19's.....RIGHT!!!!!!

I am so angry with Governments all over the world for trying to stop us ex smokers that have switched over to a much healthier alternative (personal Vape) than smoking the traditional cigarettes with over 4,000 chemicals in them!!!!!!!!!!

Governments have spent millions \$ over the years telling us to stop smoking ...showing us disgusting pictures on packets of diseased lungs and rotting gums and teeth and mouths with growths inside.... we looked...we listened...we switched over to the vape for our health and safety and now you want to take it away!!!!!!!!!! Millions of people around the world have made a huge huge step towards their own health and well being by switching to a "personal vape" It works!!!!!! we have all switched over!!!! we are all going to live longer!!!! our homes our clothes our cars no longer smell of "SMOKE" because we now vape!!!

If you want to ban something that has years and years of studies behind itfor "our Children s Health".....THEN **BAN CIGARETTES..**

I personally just want to add...that if you take the flavors out of our vape juice I will suffer that.... and carry on "VAPEING" ..because I WILL NOT GO BACK TO CIGARETTES....The Governments will never collect the huge taxes from a package of cigarettes from me ever again!!!!!! ...

Kim Murray (female age 55years Living in Nova Scotia).

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