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**To:** Office of the Legislative Counsel  
**Cc:** Eric Daley  
**Subject:** Law Ammendments Committee

RE. Bill 60:

I would like to formally disagree with the upcoming legislation relating to Bill 60 with regard to the changes to the sale and availability of Vape products and vaping liquids for sale in this province. As a smoker for over 40 years I was never able to get away from cigarettes in all that time. My family purchased a vapor kit last march and for the first time in decades I am not a smoker of cigarettes. It took me awhile to find a flavor that I like and have never looked back on smoking cigarettes. I would never have believed that would be possible for me.

While I don't have a particular problem with not being able to use the vapor system in public places, as with smokes products, I am very concerned that you are looking at eliminating the flavored juices available for them. That is just not right and does not make any real sense. To state that they lead people to begin smoking, in particular teens, is a stretch at best without any real proof that they do so. To disregard how many smokers have gotten off cigarettes is just about as insulting to people's intelligence.

I am not an advocate for smoking, but I am an advocate for self determination. A commodity that is becoming increasingly rare in this province. I find it very difficult to see beyond the hypocrisy of our government making millions of dollars from the sale of tobacco products, complaining about the ill effects of smoking on the health care system, and then preventing the people of Nova Scotia the right to choose an alternative. This law makes little sense to almost every person that I have discussed it with. It appears to be little more than an exercise in control, manipulation of people, and maintaining the flow of tobacco taxes to the provincial coffers. I am again saddened by the dictation of people's right to make decisions for themselves and the fact that the government has the right to choose for us.

I believe that Bill 60 is disrespectful to democracy fundamentally, to the people of Nova Scotia in general, and another limits on personal freedoms in this province. I would ask that you reject, or at the very least revamp the legislation, to support the rights of all Nova Scotians.

truly,  
Daley

Yours

Eric