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Completed by: Alisa Miller Date February 28, 2014  
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1 [Health Code - Restrictions on Sale and Use of Electronic Cigarettes]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Health Code to prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes where**  
4 **smoking is otherwise prohibited; require a tobacco permit for the sale of electronic**  
5 **cigarettes; prohibit the sale of electronic cigarettes where the sale of tobacco products**  
6 **is otherwise prohibited; and making environmental findings.**

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8 NOTE: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;  
9 deletions are ~~*strike-through italics Times New Roman*~~.  
10 Board amendment additions are double-underlined;  
11 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

12 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

13 Section 1. The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in  
14 this ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public  
15 Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the  
16 Board of Supervisors in File No. 131208 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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18 Section 2. The San Francisco Health Code is hereby amended by adding Article 19N,  
19 Sections 19N.1 – 19N.9, to read as follows:

20 **SEC. 19N.1 FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

21 (a) Electronic smoking devices, commonly referred to as electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes,  
22 are battery-operated devices that may resemble cigarettes, although they do not contain tobacco leaf.  
23 People who use electronic smoking devices inhale vaporized liquid nicotine extracted from tobacco, or  
24 inhale other vaporized liquids, created by heat through an electronic ignition system, and exhale the  
25 vapor in a way that mimics smoking.

1 (b) Electronic cigarettes are presently available for purchase and use in San Francisco.

2 (c) The FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Office of Compliance purchased two  
3 samples of electronic cigarettes and components from two leading brands. These samples included 18  
4 of the various flavored, nicotine, and no-nicotine cartridges offered for use with these products. These  
5 cartridges were obtained to test some of the ingredients contained in them and inhaled by users of  
6 electronic cigarettes. The FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Division of  
7 Pharmaceutical Analysis (DPA) analyzed the cartridges from these electronic cigarettes for nicotine  
8 content and for the presence of other tobacco constituents, some of which are known to be harmful to  
9 humans, including those that are potentially carcinogenic or mutagenic. The DPA's analysis of the  
10 electronic cigarette samples showed:

11 (1) The products contained detectable levels of known carcinogens and toxic chemicals to  
12 which users could be exposed.

13 (2) Quality control processes used to manufacture these products are inconsistent or non-  
14 existent.

15 (3) Tobacco-specific impurities suspected of being harmful to humans—*anabasine, myosmine,*  
16 and *β-nicotyrine*—were detected in a majority of the samples tested.

17 (4) Three different electronic cigarette cartridges with the same label were tested and each  
18 cartridge emitted a markedly different amount of nicotine with each puff. The nicotine levels per puff  
19 ranged from 26.8 to 43.2 mcg nicotine/100 mL puff.

20 (d) The Surgeon General has found that the chemical nicotine is a powerful pharmacologic  
21 agent that acts in the brain and throughout the body and is highly addictive. The United States  
22 Department of Health and Human Services has concluded that nicotine is as addictive as cocaine or  
23 heroin and is a highly toxic substance. Use of nicotine in any form may cause or contribute to  
24 cardiovascular disease, complications of hypertension, reproductive disorders, cancers of many types,  
25 and gastrointestinal disorders, including peptic ulcer disease and gastro esophageal reflux.

1           (e) The FDA has raised concerns that electronic cigarettes, including but not limited to  
2 flavored electronic cigarettes, can increase nicotine addiction among young people and may lead youth  
3 to try conventional tobacco products. A CDC study showed that in 2011 4.7% of all high schoolers had  
4 tried e-cigarettes and that in 2012 that number increased to 10.0% of all high schoolers. Electronic  
5 cigarettes may not be legally sold to minors in California. Electronic smoking devices and other  
6 unapproved nicotine delivery products have a high appeal to youth due to their high tech design and  
7 availability in child-friendly flavors like cotton candy, bubble gum, chocolate chip cookie dough and  
8 cookies and cream milkshake.

9           (f) Health authorities have also expressed concerns that the vapors released into the air  
10 through the use of an electronic cigarette present a danger to others who breathe them.

11           (g) The use of an electronic cigarette in public is often indistinguishable from the use of  
12 traditional tobacco products, prompting confusion among members of the public wherever smoking is  
13 prohibited. Consequently, persons who smoke traditional tobacco products may be induced to do so in  
14 areas where smoking is illegal under the mistaken belief that smoking is legal in such areas, or that the  
15 ban on smoking in such areas is not being enforced.

16           (h) Owners of establishments such as office buildings and restaurants encounter similar  
17 obstacles seeking to comply with the laws prohibiting smoking in certain locations. An owner may  
18 request that a patron stop smoking cigarettes in a restaurant only to have the patron demonstrate that it  
19 is an electronic cigarette. The Owner may also be placed in the position of having to confront and  
20 examine the cigarettes of any number of customers absent a prohibition on the use of electronic  
21 cigarettes where traditional cigarettes are banned.

22           (i) The agencies charged with enforcing compliance in enclosed and unenclosed spaces will  
23 similarly have to devote considerable time and resources determining the individuals smoking  
24 electronic cigarettes versus traditional cigarettes.



1 (f) Some agencies in San Francisco have already adopted restrictions on e-cigarette usage  
2 including San Francisco General Hospital, Laguna Honda Hospital, AT&T Ballpark, University of  
3 California-San Francisco, San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco  
4 International Airport.

5 **SEC. 19N. 2 DEFINITIONS.**

6 (a) "Director" means the Director of Public Health or his or her designee.

7 (b) "Electronic Cigarette" or "E-cigarette" means any device with a heating element, a  
8 battery, or an electronic circuit that provides nicotine or other vaporized liquids to the user in a  
9 manner that simulates smoking tobacco.

10 (c) "Establishment" means any store, stand, booth, concession or other enterprise that engages  
11 in the retail sales of tobacco products and/or electronic cigarettes.

12 **SEC. 19N.3 TOBACCO SALES PERMIT REQUIRED.**

13 (a) An establishment must have a valid tobacco sales permit obtained pursuant to Health Code  
14 Section 1009.52 to sell electronic cigarettes.

15 (b) The Director may enforce this section pursuant to Articles 19 et seq. of the Health Code  
16 including but not limited to Article 19H.

17 **SEC. 19N.4 PROHIBITING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES WHEREVER**  
18 **SMOKING OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IS BANNED.**

19 (a) The use of electronic cigarettes is prohibited wherever smoking of tobacco products is  
20 prohibited by law including Articles 19 et seq. of the Health Code.

21 (b) The Director may enforce this section pursuant to Articles 19 et seq. of the Health Code  
22 including but not limited to the Articles prohibiting smoking in certain spaces or areas.

23 **SEC. 19N.5 PROHIBITING THE SALE OF ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES WHEREVER**  
24 **THE SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IS PROHIBITED.**

1           a) The sale of electronic cigarettes is prohibited wherever the sale of tobacco products is  
2 prohibited by law, including as prohibited in Articles 19 et seq. of the Health Code.

3           b) The Director may enforce this section pursuant to Articles 19 et seq. of the Health Code  
4 including but not limited to Article 19J.

5           **SEC. 19N.6 CITY UNDERTAKING LIMITED TO PROMOTION OF GENERAL**  
6 **WELFARE.**

7           In enacting and implementing this ordinance, the City is assuming an undertaking only to  
8 promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an  
9 obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach  
10 proximately caused injury.

11           **SEC. 19N.7 RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

12           The Director, after a noticed public hearing, may adopt rules and regulations to carry out the  
13 provisions of this Article. Such rules and regulations shall take effect 15 days after the public hearing.  
14 Violation of any such rule or regulation may be grounds for administrative or civil action against the  
15 permittee pursuant to this Article.

16           **SEC. 19N.8 PREEMPTION.**

17           (a) Nothing in this Article shall be interpreted or applied so as to create any power, duty or  
18 obligation in conflict with, or preempted by, any Federal or State law. Even if not preempted by  
19 Federal or State law, the provisions of this Article shall not apply if the Federal or State law is more  
20 restrictive.

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1           **(b) This Article shall not apply to any FDA-approved product marketed for therapeutic**  
2 **purposes.**

3           **(c) This Article shall not affect any laws or regulations regarding medical cannabis.**

4           **SEC. 19N.9 SEVERABILITY.**

5           **If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase in this Article or**  
6 **any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of**  
7 **competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining**  
8 **portions of this Article or any part thereof. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would**  
9 **have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof**  
10 **irrespective of the fact that any one or more subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses,**  
11 **or phrases be declared unconstitutional, or invalid, or ineffective.**

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13           Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after  
14 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the  
15 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board  
16 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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18 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
19 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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22 Aleeta M. Van Runkle  
23 Deputy City Attorney  
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**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[Health Code - Restrictions on Sale and Use of Electronic Cigarettes]

**Ordinance amending the Health Code to prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes where smoking is otherwise prohibited; require a tobacco permit for the sale of electronic cigarettes; prohibit the sale of electronic cigarettes where the sale of tobacco products is otherwise prohibited; and making environmental findings.**

Existing Law

The Health Code currently bans smoking in a variety of settings, both enclosed and unenclosed spaces. The Health Department enforces the prohibitions through inspections and a hearing process. The Board of Appeals hears any appeals from enforcement action taken by the Health Department.

The Health Department also permits tobacco retail stores. Tobacco sales are prohibited in certain settings, including pharmacies and stores containing pharmacies.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance amends the San Francisco Health Code by adding Article 19N (Sections 19N.1 – 19N.9) to prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes where smoking is otherwise prohibited; require a tobacco permit for the sale of electronic cigarettes; and prohibit the sale of electronic cigarettes where the sale of tobacco products is otherwise prohibited.

Background Information

The FDA has raised concerns that electronic cigarettes, including but not limited to flavored electronic cigarettes, can increase nicotine addiction among young people and may lead youth to try conventional tobacco products. A CDC study showed that in 2011 4.7% of all high schoolers had tried e-cigarettes and that in 2012 that number increased to 10.0% of all high schoolers. Electronic cigarettes may not be legally sold to minors in California. Electronic smoking devices and other unapproved nicotine delivery products have a high appeal to youth due to their high tech design and availability in child-friendly flavors like chocolate and strawberry.

Health authorities have also expressed concerns that the vapors released into the air through the use of an electronic cigarette present a danger to others who breathe them.

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The use of an electronic cigarette in public is often indistinguishable from the use of traditional tobacco products, prompting confusion among members of the public wherever smoking is prohibited. Consequently, persons who smoke traditional tobacco products may be induced to do so in areas where smoking is illegal under the mistaken belief that smoking is legal in such areas, or that the ban on smoking in such areas is not being enforced.

Owners of establishments such as office buildings and restaurants encounter similar obstacles seeking to comply with the laws prohibiting smoking in certain locations. An owner may request that a patron stop smoking cigarettes in a restaurant only to have the patron demonstrate that it is an electronic cigarette. The Owner may also be placed in the position of having to confront and examine the cigarettes of any number of customers absent a prohibition on the use of electronic cigarettes where traditional cigarettes are banned.

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February 28, 2014

File No. 131208

Sarah Jones  
Environmental Review Officer  
Planning Department  
1650 Mission Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Mr. Wycko:

On December 17, 2013, Supervisor Mar introduced the following proposed legislation:

**File No. 131208**

Ordinance amending the San Francisco Health Code, by adding Article 11A, requiring: 1) the Department of Public Health (DPH) to provide written information outlining the rights and responsibilities of tenants, property owners, and Pest Control Operators regarding the prevention and treatment of bed bug infestations; 2) DPH to develop a training curriculum on bed bug abatement; 3) owners to respond to bed bug infestation complaints; 4) property owners to disclose bed bug infestation history for the previous two years; 5) DPH to collect and publish bed bug data on a quarterly basis; 6) establishing enforcement procedures; and 7) making environmental findings.

This legislation is being transmitted to you for environmental review.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

Handwritten signature of Alisa Miller in cursive.

By: Alisa Miller, Committee Clerk  
Rules Committee

Attachment

- c: Monica Pereira, Environmental Planning
- Nannie Turrell, Environmental Planning

*Not a project under CEQA  
Guide Lines Sections 15060(c)  
and 15378 because there  
is no direct or indirect  
physical change in the  
environment.  
Nannie Turrell  
Feb 28, 2014*

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Tony Milosz [tony.milosz@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 13, 2014 9:46 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor (MYR); Avalos, John (BOS); Breed, London (BOS); Chiu, David (BOS); Cohen, Malia (BOS); Farrell, Mark (BOS); Kim, Jane (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Wiener, Scott; Campos, David (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors; Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 131208 - Testimony against  
**Attachments:** SFSupervisors20140313i.pdf

Dear Sir/Madame,

I am a Bay Area resident, a Pharmacologist-Toxicologist by training, retired. Please consider the attached testimony in opposition to proposed Ordinance No. 131208 that would widely restrict electronic cigarette use.

This would be a mistake with negative public health consequences. Please let me know your thoughts.

Thank You,  
Anthony Milosz

Anthony Milosz  
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Oakland CA 94611  
(510) 499-0263, tony.milosz@gmail.com

March 13, 2014

to: San Francisco Mayor & Board of Supervisors

**re: Ordinance No. 131208 - Proposed ban on use of electronic cigarettes in no-smoking areas.**

To whom it may concern,

**I'm a Bay Area resident, a pharmacologist-toxicologist by training, retired.** I am writing to oppose restrictions on the use/sale of personal vaporizers, or so-called "electronic cigarettes". There is now considerable public awareness of the dangers of smoking. The trend is unmistakable, and visible at every turn. **Smoking is gradually on the way out in America.** The personal vaporizer is emerging as one of the most practical and effective ways to combat smoking.

**Electronic cigarettes are not smoking.** They are substitutes for people who don't want to smoke. They provide some oral satisfaction. The vapor they produce superficially resembles smoke, and thus helps ex-smokers adjust. That vapor is like the approved, widely used, theatrical "fake smoke" that very quickly dissipates, and consists of steam, USP Glycerin and/or USP Propylene Glycol. Without flavorings it would be undetectable. FDA-Approved flavorings give it a pleasant and short lasting scent. Unlike tobacco smoke, it contains no carcinogens, and is neither irritating nor toxic. **All the carriers and flavorings in e-cigarette liquids have passed toxicological scrutiny** to at least the FDA "*Generally Regarded as Safe*" level, and are widely used in foods and medicines.

**Ironically nicotine**, which is present in some, though not all, electronic cigarette vapor, **is not the harmful element in tobacco smoke.** The last Surgeon General's Report I studied reports that ex-smokers on Nicotine Replacement (patches and gum) even show the same improvement in cardiovascular health as those who quit tobacco entirely. Serious research is now showing that nicotine may in addition be beneficial as we age by improving memory and neurological function, protecting against Alzheimer's and Parkinsonism, and mitigating mental illness(1). **Many of us may have nicotine therapy in our future.** Electronic cigarettes can directly deliver measured amounts of nicotine without the carcinogens in tobacco smoke, and without exposing bystanders.

**What science is driving this misguided initiative?** And are you really deluged with complaints that the rapidly dissipating vapor is bothering, or is even detected by, anyone around the user who inhales it? I sometimes "vape" in public and nobody pays any attention. Only once a woman noticed "a nice smell". A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. More information is available at <http://www.casaa.org>.

**E-cigarettes most resemble FDA approved nicotine inhalers**, with the addition of flavorings that are approved for food use, and glycerin to make fake smoke. A significant percentage of



smokers has quit smoking entirely when they discovered electronic cigarettes. What reasoning would lead any legislative body to ignore the (at least) thousands of lives that, statistically, would be saved by embracing e-cigarettes as harm reduction, or at least not attacking them?

**Inclusion of electronic cigarette products in anti-smoking campaigns and regulations would be disingenuous and counterproductive.** Disingenuous, as no objective review supports the thesis that electronic cigarettes are harmful like tobacco smoke. Counterproductive, in that users of electronic cigarettes are almost all individuals who are stopping, or seeking to stop, their harmful smoking habit, many after repeatedly failing to quit in other ways. I am one of them.

**I quit smoking thanks to electronic cigarettes.** Since I discovered e-cigarettes, I haven't smoked in over 4 years. I feel much better than when I smoked. My blood pressure has even dropped.

Like many other users, **I know exactly what is in the e-liquids I mix for my own use:** Glycerin USP (95%), distilled water, FDA approved food flavorings, and sometimes a few drops of a 10% solution of Nicotine in USP Glycerin. And, by the way, the flavorings include sweet fruits, vanilla, maple, etc, though I am hardly a youngster.

**Regulations that teach that electronic cigarettes are just like smoking will likely drive some "on the fence" e-cigarette users back to smoking cigarettes** - if they say there's no difference. Others will simply ignore the law, creating one more area for arbitrary enforcement. But e-cigarettes are *not* smoking. Why confuse the public? Driving e-cigarette users back to smoking is a public health consequence that is undesirable, and unacceptable. Why? What for?

If e-cigarettes are equated with smoking, **such a mislabeling will benefit nobody but the cigarette makers**, and it will **injure a developing technology that is reducing smoking and improving public health.** Electronic cigarettes are not the enemy. They offer a chance to loosen the grip of cigarette addiction. Let's not get confused and throw this promising baby out with the bath.

Sincerely,  
Anthony Milosz

(1) Some reports on beneficial effects of nicotine.

<http://www.nytimes.com/1997/01/14/science/researchers-investigate-horrors-nicotine-s-potential-benefits.html?pagewanted=all&src=pm>

In Neurological Degeneration

<http://www.aan.com/elibrary/neurologytoday/?event=home.showArticle&id=ovid.com:/bib/ovftdb/00132985-201201190-00008>

In Parkinsonism

[http://www.naturalnews.com/033344\\_nicotine\\_Parkinsons\\_disease.html](http://www.naturalnews.com/033344_nicotine_Parkinsons_disease.html)

In Mental Illness

<http://www.cosmosmagazine.com/news/nicotine-improves-brain-function-schizophrenics/>



**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 11, 2014 1:36 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors; Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** File 131208: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Garry Lough [<mailto:mail@changemail.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 10, 2014 5:12 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 I'm a San Francisco resident, and I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, but I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned. The content of e-cigarette vapor is identical to the haze from nightclub smoke machines! • Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products. • The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor. • A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. • Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible. • The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%. By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks. • Many people are steadily switched from toxic and terrible traditional cigarettes to vapor-based e-cigarettes. Please don't put obstacles in the way of our friends' and family's health! For more information: <http://blog.casaa.org/2014/02/call-to-action-san-francisco-california.html>

Sincerely,  
Garry Lough Wylie, Texas

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There are now 44 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Jared Grippe by clicking here:

<http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco/responses/new?response=d25e3858801f>

## Miller, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** crownofsprats@gmail.com on behalf of Dmitri Sled [dmitrisled@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 07, 2014 3:01 PM  
**To:** Yee, Norman (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Campos, David (BOS)  
**Cc:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Proposed E-Cigarette ban

Greetings,

I am a concerned citizen, who only learned of the proposed action to severely restrict the use and sale of E-Cigarettes and similar/related products.

I would have liked to attend the meeting yesterday, but I only learned about the proposed action this afternoon - more to the point, I would have never suspected that an otherwise liberal and hedonism-loving city like SF would take such a drastic and unnecessary step, so this was never even on my radar.

Regarding the sale of these products, it only makes sense that anyone buying them is asked for their ID to verify age - as it is customary to do with all pleasure-inducing, mind-altering substances. That part only the industry lobby groups would have a problem with.

However, you have crossed the line by proposing to treat the *use* of these products the same way as we treat cigarette smoke. As far as I am aware, there is nothing out there that shows E-Cigarette vapor to be as harmful and as carcinogenic as second-hand smoke. I mean, go look outside - how much is billowing forth from a regular smoker, and how much is coming out of an E-Cigarette smoker's lungs? Sure, it's an aerosol, and some bystanders may get trace amounts of this stuff into their lungs - you know, along with all the industrial pollutants, exhaust fumes, and everything else we compromise on because we are told it is necessary for the continuation of the American way of life. So clearly that can't be the reason. If it is, then where are the studies and their results??

The main - and only - rationale you have put forward is: "can't smoke them everywhere you go because kids might see you doing it." In other words, you are falling back on the tired "think of the children!" cliché in politics. Why? Because 20% of all teen smokers have used these devices before trying the combustible version? Isn't that a *win* for non-smoking?! I mean, if you assume that each and every one of those kids will have experimented with nicotine in one form or another - then isn't having 20% of that group smoking a less harmful version of the stuff a win??

Oh, because you don't assume that. Because you assume that all teens can be folded and molded into some boring square version of themselves that won't disobey authority, that won't engage in risky and harmful behavior, and that will listen to whatever seemingly-rational arguments you throw at them. So clearly, it's the cigarettes and the E-cigarettes and all this *external* stuff that compels them to engage in negative behavior, and if those things simply didn't *exist*, we wouldn't have teen smoking problems.

Or maybe it's not about any of that at all. Surely you can't be that naive. So maybe you just don't want the city's employees getting high at work. Maybe you don't want people vaping everywhere because most of the time the cops can't actually tell if their quarry is vaping tobacco or something stronger and more potent. That must really bother some of you, not being able to tell and all...

Even though I am only an individual and I know this will most likely come to pass without anyone opposing it (especially with the new demographic realities of this city and all), I will do my patriotic duty and write to every address I have, complaining of this hamfisted injustice.

Have a nice day,

-D. Sled, a voter (94110, if you are curious)



California Chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws  
2261 Market St. #278A, San Francisco CA 94114 - [www.canorml.org](http://www.canorml.org) - (415) 563-5858 / (510) 540-1066

Mar 10th, 2014

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San Francisco CA 94102

To the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the city's many consumers who find e-cigarettes and vaporizers a valuable "harm reduction" substitute for smoking, we wish to express our objections to the proposed ban on use of e-cigarettes in all non-smoking areas (file #131208).

**Cal NORML is particularly concerned that the proposed ban would be harmful to medical marijuana patients, many of whom must rely on vaporizers to medicate due to current anti-smoking restrictions.** By wrongly confuting smokeless e-cig use with smoking, the proposed ordinance will invite discrimination against patients who use e-cigs, even though they pose no evident health hazard to bystanders.

While we appreciate that the ordinance says it does "not affect existing laws or regulations regarding medical cannabis," there exist no laws to protect the right of seriously ill patients to vaporize in the first place. The ordinance defines e-cigarettes broadly to include "any device with a heating element, a battery, or an electronic circuit that provides nicotine or other vaporized liquids to the user in a manner that simulates smoking tobacco" (emphasis added). The inclusion of "other vaporized liquids," clearly applies to cannabis extracts as well as other harmless substances and medications. The provision "in a manner that simulates smoking tobacco" is less clear, raising problems of interpretation and enforcement. In practice, nicotine and cannabis e-cigs are hard to distinguish, as they use the same hardware with different cartridges. Speaking at the Rules Committee, Sup. Mar stated that the intended target is e-cigs that look like cigarettes, as distinct from bulkier vaporizers more commonly used for cannabis. It remains vague where this line is to be drawn as to what resembles cigarettes. The ordinance further muddies the waters by exempting FDA-approved devices, which, should they come to market, may well prove to be visually

indistinguishable from others.

**Scientific studies have shown that vaporizers eliminate noxious smoke toxins from marijuana vapor,** delivering an effectively pure stream of medically active ingredients.<sup>1</sup> The effectiveness of vaporization has been validated by California's Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research<sup>2</sup>, which found it to be a "safe and effective" delivery system for administering medical marijuana. As for nicotine e-cigs, studies consistently show that they dramatically reduce users' exposure to harmful smoke toxins to levels within commonly accepted workplace safety thresholds.<sup>3</sup> More importantly, such trace emissions as do occur pose no significant health risk to bystanders, any more so than common odors from garden plants, kitchen grills, detergents, incense, etc.<sup>4</sup>

**We appreciate the public concern about promoting nicotine addiction to children and have no objection to banning e-cig use around schools and similar public facilities.** However, we strongly believe that private property owners, businesses and landlords should be free to decide to allow e-cigs in accordance with the demand of their clients, employees and tenants. As currently written, the ordinance effectively denies "vapers" the fundamental human right of freedom of association by making it impossible for them to socialize or share their wares in any private commercial facility.

**We are especially concerned that this ordinance will adversely impact patients living in rental housing,** many of whom are already unable to smoke their medicine due to anti-smoking rules. By wrongly lumping e-cigs in the same basket as smoking, the ordinance will encourage landlords to discriminate against vaporization of all kinds. Medical marijuana patients should not be forced to go outside to take their medicine when they can vaporize safely indoors.

In recent years, it has become increasingly difficult for cannabis users to socialize in San Francisco due to the stringency of anti-smoking regulations. Our national office has given up trying to book conferences in San Francisco due to the difficulty of finding hotels that can allow medical marijuana use. Last summer, the city deployed police to cite attendees for smoking at an otherwise trouble-free cannabis rally at Civic Center Plaza. It is sad to see how a city that used to be renowned for tolerance has become obsessed with enforcing petty new health crimes. We urge the Board to reconsider the implementation of this unnecessarily intrusive ordinance.

Sincerely,



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**Bay Area Cities – Smokefree Air Regulations Include Electronic Smoking Devices  
Covering at least Places of Employment**

2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Fremont	Walnut Creek	Daly City	Tiburon	Santa Clara County (unincorp)	Martinez	Novato	Belmont	Emeryville
Richmond	Contra Costa County (unincorp)	Mill Valley	Fairfax	Union City				
	Petaluma	Marin County (unincorp)	Concord	Menlo Park				
		Mountain View	Los Altos	Saratoga				
		Morgan Hill		Sebastopol				

Ordinances on this list that were adopted in 2012 and prior included in the definition of tobacco product a description of products that would be inclusive of electronic smoking devices.

“Tobacco product” means: (1) any substance containing tobacco leaf, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, dipping tobacco, bidis, hookah tobacco, or any other preparation of tobacco; and (2) any product or formulation of matter containing biologically active amounts of nicotine that is manufactured, sold, offered for sale, or otherwise distributed with the expectation that the product or matter will be introduced into the human body but does not include any product specifically approved by the Federal Food and Drug Administration for use in treating nicotine or tobacco product dependence.

File No. 131208  
3/6/14 Received  
in Committee  
February 14, 2014

Dear Supervisor Mar,

Our names are Aidan Lisker and Julian Holmes. We are currently students at Lick-Wilmerding High School, located five minutes from the Excelsior. We are apart of an internship at the Excelsior Action Group located in the heart of District 11.

In the last two years an increase in second hand smoke and e-cigarettes has risen from 4.7% to 10% along the Mission corridor. E-cigarettes are refillable, smoking devices that have become popular among celebrities as well as teenagers and children. E-cigarettes are nicotine containing solutions that, to a child, are 16 to 83 times more dangerous than the average cigarette. In addition, one solution used in E-cigarettes contains as much nicotine as three packs of cigarettes. With different flavors available (such as cotton candy, bubblegum, mint, etc.) these E-cigarettes are marketed specifically towards the younger generations.

E-cigarettes present many concerns to the Excelsior district and greater community. E-cigarettes are more dangerous than the average cigarette, and thus increase the danger of second-hand smoke. In addition, with the spike of popularity and use among teenagers, the rates of nicotine poisoning and addiction are rising exponentially.

In order to cut down the consumption and selling of E-cigarettes in the Excelsior neighborhood, we propose that groups in the area start educating people on the effects of these devices. Because E-cigarettes are a relatively new item on the market, their effects are not as well know to the general public. Education can provide the foundation to the banning of E-cigarettes. Ultimately, we want them off of the streets and not sold in stores, and we hope that the process of restricting, and eventually banning e-cigarettes begin with this letter. We feel passionately about this issue and hope you share our concerns.

As individuals who live and work in this neighborhood we see everyday people smoking

on the street from Silver to Geneva. Given these e-cigarettes statistics, we are concerned that the second hand smoke from these devices, will have an even more dangerous effect on our community. We need to stifle this new wave of smoking at the early stages. We hope our suggestions can be the start of a proposed educational bill to create awareness of the serious effects of E-cigarettes.

Sincerely, Aidan Lisker and Julian Holmes

## Miller, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Evans, Derek (BOS)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 1:30 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Smith, Derek (DPH); Nevin, Peggy (BOS)  
**Subject:** FW: Ordinance #131208

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**From:** uma <uma4rom@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 6, 2014 1:12 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor (MYR); Avalos, John (BOS); Breed, London (BOS); Chiu, David (BOS); Cohen, Malia (BOS); Farrell, Mark (BOS); Kim, Jane (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Wiener, Scott (BOS); Campos, David (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek (BOS); Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Ordinance #131208

Dear Board of Supervisors & Neighborhood Services & Safety Committee,

I urge you to OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned. ECigarettes are normalizing NOT smoking. They produce vapor, not smoke. They are a far safer, magnitudes safer, alternative to real cigarettes. Smokers who cannot quit smoking the real cigarettes, are discovering that the eCig simulates smoking to the point they actually forget to light up a real cigarette! This is the beauty of the product, it helps people to accidentally quit smoking.

Smoking is said to kill millions of smokers globally, every year. That is a lot of tax money going down the tubes. The eCigs, on the other hand, are not known killers of taxpayers. In fact, all genuine studies have shown that eCigs are 98% safer than real smokes, not only for the user, but for the passerbys and environment as well. They are not a tobacco product, because, they do NOT contain tobacco. They contain nicotine, to help smokers transition from smoking to not smoking comfortably and happily. Nicotine in its unadulterated state, as used in eCigs, is just a notch more addicting than caffeine. The eCig users easily dilute their nicotine strengths as their bodies adjust to a life without real smokes. Real smokes, by contrast, are ridiculously addictive. Smokers smoke because they enjoy the habit & the nicotine, but they die from the tar, carcenogens, and toxins. The eCigs only have the nicotine! Unadulterated nicotine at that, which is not as addictive as cigarettes nicotine is.

Banning ex smokers from using the only method that has ever worked for them to not smoke, will toss them back into the life of being a smoker. Forcing them to go without their method of not smoking, then forcing them to stand with smokers, will be detrimental. It is setting ex smokers up to fail. This makes MSA happy, yes, especially those whose jobs will be lost if everyone quits smoking cigarettes. The ALA, ACS, TFK, etc all rely on TSET/MSA which is why they campaign so hard against eCigs.

Ex smokers are fighting for their lives.

I recommend an ordinance that declares "no clouds, but vaping just fine" wherever appropriate. Vapor dissipates within seconds. Stealth vaping means no vapor is exhaled, but instead held until dissipated. It's easy to do, and believe it or not, ex smokers have been doing this for over 6 years right next to you without your awareness. It's not a nuisance. Vaping a vapor product, to keep from smoking, should be celebrated. Anything that keeps a smoker from lighting up tar and toxins should be celebrated.

Thank you for listening,  
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**Miller, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Evans, Derek (BOS)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 1:36 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Smith, Derek (DPH); Nevin, Peggy (BOS)  
**Subject:** FW: File 131208: E-cigarette prohibition #131208

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 6, 2014 11:45 AM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors; Evans, Derek (BOS)  
**Subject:** File 131208: E-cigarette prohibition #131208

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**From:** Nicholas Wellington [<mailto:nickwell@pacbell.net>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 5:59 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** E-cigarette prohibition #131208

As a frequent visitor to the City, for business and pleasure, I urge you to enact the proposed ordinance to prohibit use of e-cigarettes, e-hookah and vapor pens in exactly the same way that regular cigarettes are regulated.

Thank you,  
Nicholas Wellington  
Kensington, CA 94707

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Kenneth Koehn [kmkoehn@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 9:52 AM  
**To:** Mar, Eric (BOS)  
**Cc:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Protect medical cannabis patients' access to smokeless vaporizers

Dear Supervisor Mar:

As a medical cannabis patient in S.F. I am asking you not to ban the use of e-cigarettes and smokeless vaporizers in places where tobacco smoking is prohibited.

I do not feel that I as a medical cannabis patient I should have to vaporize outside with the tobacco smokers. My use of smokeless vaporizers and cannabis-infused vapor pens helps protect others and myself by cutting back on exposure to smoke.

How would law enforcement know the difference between vaporizing nicotine from vaporizing cannabis when they are obliged to enforce the law?

Please reject the proposed ban on e-cigarettes. We do not have a problem here. Vaporizer have been shown to be safe and effective.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** eric@juiceboxvaporshop.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 12:27 PM  
**To:** Tang, Katy (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Campos, David (BOS)  
**Cc:** Miller, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 131208

Dear City Supervisors and all concerned parties,

My name is Eric Wu and I am writing on behalf of Juicebox Vapor @ 907 Taraval Street.

I am a lifelong San Francisco resident, and I urge you to oppose this ordinance banning e-cigarette where smoking is banned or to reconsider different limitations and/or restrictions on e-cigarettes.

The e-cigarette movement is an extremely positive one, focused on healthier lifestyle choices and helping people quit smoking tobacco.

Regards,

Eric Wu

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Lili Peck [pocha@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 8:39 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Proposed Restrictions on Electronic Cigarettes/Ordinance No. 131208

Dear Supervisors and Mayor,

I am a resident of the city of Brisbane but I spend much of my time and money in San Francisco. I am writing you regarding the pending proposed restrictions on electronic cigarettes (personal vaporizers). I was a 15-year pack a day smoker until last August when I quit completely with the help of electronic cigarettes and have since helped several of my friends quit as well. I firmly believe I would not have been able to quit without electronic cigarettes and while I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned or any restrictions that would make it more difficult for adults to access and purchase electronic cigarettes. It is simply terrible public policy that verges on public health MALPRACTICE to discourage the use of electronic cigarettes by adults who want and NEED to stop smoking.

\* Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.

\* The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor.

\* A comprehensive review <<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/18/abstract>> conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.

\* Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible.

\* The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%.

I urge you to review the research on this matter and not make your decision based on the current puritanical hysteria that currently surrounds this issue. Please visit the Electronic Cigarette Forum (<http://www.e-cigarette-forum.com/forum/>) where you will find a vibrant community of ex-smokers ~~848~~ each member with their own success story of



quitting smoking with the help of electronic cigarettes. And please visit the CASAA (<http://casaa.org> <<http://casaa.org/>> ) for all the latest research and information on electronic cigarettes.

Thank you for your time and I trust you will give this matter the serious attention it deserves.

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415/497-5481

## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** moarxenu@gmail.com on behalf of Michael Barger [mrbarger1610@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 11:13 AM  
**To:** Campos, David (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Miller, Alisa (BOS); Ronen, Hillary (BOS); Lane, Laura (BOS); Goossen, Carolyn; Dale Gieringer; Summers, Ashley (BOS); Quizon, Dyanna (BOS); Mo, Carol (BOS); Mormino, Matthias (BOS); Scanlon, Olivia (BOS); Low, Jen (BOS)  
**Subject:** Rules Committee: Electronic cigarette ordinance is flawed in its drafting, rationale, and enforcement and is not to be recommended to the full Board of Supervisors

Dear Supervisors Tang, Campos, and Yee,

I am writing you with deep concern about proposed electronic vaporizer (e-cigarette) ordinance 131208, which you will be discussing in a regular meeting of the Rules Committee on Thursday afternoon.

The proposed ordinance is deeply flawed in its drafting, flawed as sound public health policy, and needs to be thoroughly revised to be in shape for serious consideration for the full Board of Supervisors.

I urge you to vote not to recommend proposed ordinance 131208 to the Board of Supervisors. It is not ready for prime time.

### **Flawed legislation:**

The proposed ordinance perverts rationality and use of the English language when it defines battery-operated electro-mechanical vaporizers (defined as "electronic cigarettes") used by medical marijuana patients and former smokers as "smoking devices."

Vaporizers are not "smoking devices". They are anti-smoking devices. Medical marijuana patients and former smokers use them precisely to avoid the many health dangers of smoking combustible marijuana and tobacco plant products.

Moreover, vaporizers are totally electro-mechanical devices made of steel, batteries, wires, and wicks that have nothing in common with the paper and organic tobacco leaves in cigarettes.

It is repugnant to reason to put cigarettes and vaporizers in the same category and to regulate them as if they are the same.

131208 is flawed in its very definition of "electronic cigarettes", which includes not only vaporizers that look like cigarettes in form (popularly known as "cig-a-likes") but all vaporizers whatever their shape.

The definition also includes vaporizers not only used to vaporize nicotine liquids but "all vaporized liquids", which includes marijuana liquids and even liquids that do not contain any nicotine at all, which are used by many ex-smokers and aromatherapy adepts.

### **Flawed public health policy**

The ordinance seeks to induce a moral panic in the public and the Supervisors by misleading citation of two studies, one a study on the contents of nicotine liquid done by the FDA five year ago and the other by the CDC on underage experimentation with vaporizers.

Far from confirming the dangers of the contents of these cartridges the FDA found only traces of problematic chemicals which in any case are also found in FDA-approved nicotine inhalers.

Evidence is mounting in study after study that use of vaporizers is orders of magnitude less harmful than smoking and presents minimal risk to the person using a vaporizer and those standing nearby. See for example: Dr. Igor Burstyn's Peering Through The Mist.

The CDC study noted an increase in teenagers experimenting with vaporizers, but the ordinance suppresses the important information that 99% of these teenagers were *already* smokers. There is no evidence that there is an epidemic of non-smoking teenagers taking up vaping.

But the proper remedy for controlling teenage vaping lies with parents and schools imposing and enforcing appropriate restrictions and not by imposing draconian prohibitions on medical marijuana patients and adult ex-smokers whose health is being saved by the use of vaporizers.

Moreover, the ordinance provides absolutely no data whatsoever on underage vaporizers that is specific to San Francisco.

The Rules Committee ought not to approve the ordinance to the full Board of Supervisors without such data to provide evidence about what the situation actually is before deciding what to do about it..

### **Confusion in the stated intent of the ordinance**

The two other major reasons offered for the urgent necessity of imposing draconian regulations are the "obstacles" business owners and San Francisco police in distinguishing between lighted cigarettes and electronic vaporizers that resemble cigarettes in form that are popularly known as "cig-a-likes".

The authors of the ordinance evidently believe that businessmen and policemen are of such low intelligence that they cannot distinguish between a lighted cigarette you can smell from twenty feet away and a cig-a-like whose tip may be a purple, blue, or green glowing LED light.

Neither of the two reasons adduced are sufficient to justify imposition of the ordinance.

Moreover, in a telephone conversation on Friday, February 20, 2014, a legislative aide in the office of Supervisor Eric Mar assured me that the ordinance was not intended to apply to vaporizers that do not resemble cigarettes in form.

Without revision of the ordinance to clearly exempt vaporizers that do not resemble cigarettes, it should not be recommended for consideration by the full Board.

The ordinance contains a provision that states it "shall not affect laws or regulations regarding medical cannabis".

However there are no laws or regulations giving medical marijuana patients the right to vaporize, and thus medical marijuana patients and their vaporizers fall under the full force of the ordinance.

Until this is addressed the ordinance is not in shape for recommendation to the Board.

### **Unintended consequences**

Health Code contains no fewer than 16 separate articles regarding smoking, and the proposed ordinance would be the 17th.

The ordinance raises questions that it does not answer and which are critical to the health and financial well-being of medical marijuana patients and ex-smoker vapers alike.

Will medical marijuana patients and other vaporizer users be forced by law and against all reason to declare themselves "smokers" in regard to obtaining public or rental housing?

Will medical marijuana patients be susceptible to fines and eviction from public housing and rental properties for not declaring themselves to be smokers?

Will landlords be compelled to refuse to rent apartments designated non-smoking to marijuana patients and ex-smokers who use vaporizers?

Until consequences of the proposed amendment are fully understood and its text revised to reflect them, the proposed amendment is unfit to be recommended to the full Board of Supervisors.

There are now after a mere five years 500,000 Californians using vaporizers, most of them grateful ex-smokers who continue to evangelize and help smokers to quit smoking by use of vaporizers.

They deserve to be supported not punished. If the Supervisors cannot bring themselves to support them that can at least as the Hippocratic Oath states, "First, do no harm" and not punish them and put obstacles in their way.

Ordinance 131208 needs to be soundly rejected for recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

Respectfully,

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cc:

Alisa Miller, Clerk of the Rules Committee  
Dale Gieringer, California NORML  
Legislative aides of Supervisors Tang, Yee, and Campos

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** boogabuns@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 10:59 PM  
**To:** Norman.Yee@afgov.org; Katy.Tank@sfgov.org; Campos, David (BOS); Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Ordinance 131208

Dear Elected Officials,

I am asking you to rethink the passing of Ordinance 131208. I was a cigarette smoker for over 50 years and was finally able to kick the habit by vaping E-cigarettes.

There has been no scientific or medical evidence that the vapor produced by e-cigarettes is harmful to the person vaping or anyone that is close enough to consider it as second hand vapor. E-cigarettes do not have an obnoxious smell, do not produce litter, and so far as anyone can tell do no harm. I would much prefer you do something about the "pot" smoking that is prevalent on the streets of San Francisco.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Clunies-Ross

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Alex Clark [nybandago.alex@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 7:23 AM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor (MYR); Avalos, John (BOS); Breed, London (BOS); Chiu, David (BOS); Cohen, Malia (BOS); Farrell, Mark (BOS); Kim, Jane (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Wiener, Scott (BOS); Campos, David (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek (BOS); Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 131208 (Electronic Cigarette Indoor Use Prohibition)

Councilman Mar et al,

Although I am not a San Francisco Resident, I am employed by a San Francisco based company. I am concerned about the proposed ordinance to regulate indoor electronic cigarettes (and any "vapor product" for that matter). Electronic cigarettes have been a "miracle" for me and millions of others. It would be a huge mistake for San Francisco to treat them the same as Combusted Tobacco products.

A little over a year ago, I was in San Francisco for my company's annual management meeting/holiday dinner. During the meetings, our CEO strongly encouraged all staff to quit smoking. He shared links to a cessation aid/quit program and made it very clear that he was concerned for our health.

Two months later, I discovered Electronic Cigarettes when I saw someone in New Jersey using them successfully to stop smoking. I was intrigued. February, 11th, 2013 was the last time I had a Combusted Tobacco Cigarette and I'm confident that as long as electronic cigarettes are available and affordable I will remain Smoke Free.

As a result of my adopting electronic cigarettes to replace my deadly smoking habit, my staff in New Jersey quickly saw how effective the products were. Within six months three other smokers in my office had quit or significantly cut down their consumption of combusted tobacco. Almost a year later, my office remains almost 95% smoke free (those that do smoke, consume 1 - 3 tobacco cigarettes on any given day). This is in stark contrast to our main office in San Francisco which has not seen ECigs used in the workplace and continues to have the same amount of staff that smokes.

The benefits of seeing former smokers use and enjoy electronic cigarettes is clear. On the other hand, the harm that will be caused by this ordinance is not so easily explained, however, it is significant. By treating electronic cigarettes the same as combusted tobacco cigarettes the city will be sending the message to current smokers that they are equally as harmful. The net result will be to discourage recalcitrant smokers from switching to a reduced harm, smoke free alternative.

The city supervisors would be better serving their constituents by passing an ordinance supporting local businesses who choose to prohibit "vaping". Please take care with ECig regulations, as this could be a profound turning point in the effort to reduce smoking rates. Also, take note - Electronic Cigarettes (or "electronic smoking devices") were added to the NJ SmokeFree Air Act in 2010. Since then, smoking rates have remained stagnant and by some accounts even ticked up. The law is relatively unenforceable and has only served to protect the Combusted Tobacco market.

Please Reject Ordinance No. 131208

Thank You for your time and Attention,  
- Alex Clark  
(New Jersey)

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**Alex Clark**

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## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Tarl [tcsdboys@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 8:50 PM  
**To:** Campos, David (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek (BOS); Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 131208

Hello,

My name is Tarl Wood, I live in Big Bear Lake, CA and order some of my products from vendors in the San Francisco area. I was a cigarette smoker for 17 years. I starting using e-cigs (vaping) a year and a half ago and have not had a cigarette since. I have always been respectful of non-smokers and avoided smoking around them. The same is true with vaping. I understand that not everyone shows this level of respect to the public so people feel the need exists to put restrictions on the use of e-cigs. With the number of people who have switched from traditional cigarettes to vaping it's only a matter of time before the government puts some prohibition on it. However, to label e-cigs as tobacco and requiring vendors to have tobacco licenses to sell vaping products is absurd. There is absolutely no tobacco being used in these products and it is an effective way for people who have been struggling for years to quit smoking cigarettes to finally be able to quit. I strongly urge you all to vote NOT to recommend Ordinance 131208.

- Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.
- The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor.
- A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.
- Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible.
- The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%.
- By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Tarl Wood



**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 4:37 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek (BOS)  
**Subject:** File 131208: cigarette butt epidemic

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Wil James [<mailto:duca2@me.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 10:38 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors; Wiener, Scott; Mar, Eric (BOS); Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Yee, Norman (BOS); Chiu, David; Campos, David; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark  
**Subject:** cigarette butt epidemic

Dear Supervisors:

Is our city doing anything about controlling the disposal of cigarette butts, particularly in front of bars, where they are tossed into the gutter, and then washed into the sewer system, and then into the bay?

A few bars have cigarette receptacles outside of their establishments, which are great, and some have people sweep up the butts as well. But many don't do anything. Can we as a city do something about this or have we already and it's just not being enforced, like no smoking in parks?

Thank you,

Wil James  
North Beach resident

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Steve Heilig [heilig@sfms.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 06, 2014 8:41 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors; Chiu Intern; Chiu, David (BOS); Campos, David (BOS); Breed, London (BOS); Avalos, John (BOS); Farrell, Mark (BOS); Cohen, Malia (BOS); Kim, Jane (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Wiener, Scott (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Miller, Alisa (BOS); Evans, Derek (BOS)  
**Cc:** Lawrence Cheung  
**Subject:** E-Cigarettes: Gateway to Nicotine Addiction for U.S. Teens, Says UCSF Study (re: Ordinance No. 131208)

**Please consider this additional input re the proposed e-cig regulations; thank you.**

**Steve Heilig**  
**San Francisco Medical Society**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2014  
TO COINCIDE WITH PUBLICATION IN *JAMA PEDIATRICS*

**E-Cigarettes: Gateway to Nicotine Addiction for U.S. Teens, Says UCSF Study**  
***First National Analysis Strongly Associates E-Cigarettes with Smoking for Many Adolescents***

E-cigarettes, promoted as a way to quit regular cigarettes, may actually be a new route to conventional smoking and nicotine addiction for teenagers, according to a new UC San Francisco study.

In the first analysis of the relationship between e-cigarette use and smoking among adolescents in the United States, UCSF researchers found that adolescents who used the devices were more likely to smoke cigarettes and less likely to quit smoking. The study of nearly 40,000 youth around the country also found that e-cigarette use among middle and high school students doubled between 2011 and 2012, from 3.1 percent to 6.5 percent.

“Despite claims that e-cigarettes are helping people quit smoking, we found that e-cigarettes were associated with more, not less, cigarette smoking among adolescents,” said lead author Lauren Dutra, a postdoctoral fellow at the UCSF Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education.

“E-cigarettes are likely to be gateway devices for nicotine addiction among youth, opening up a whole new market for tobacco,” she said.

The study will be published online on March 6 in *JAMA Pediatrics*.

E-cigarettes are battery-powered devices that look like cigarettes and deliver an aerosol of nicotine and other chemicals. Promoted as safer alternatives to cigarettes and smoking cessation aids, the devices are rapidly gaining popularity among adults and youth in the U.S. and around the world. Unregulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, e-cigarettes have been widely promoted by their manufacturers as a way for people to quit smoking conventional cigarettes. They are sold in flavors such as chocolate and strawberry that are banned in conventional cigarettes because of their appeal to youth.

In the new UCSF study, the researchers examined survey data from middle and high school students who completed the National Youth Tobacco Survey in 2011 and 2012.

The authors found that the devices were associated with higher odds of progression from experimenting with

cigarettes to becoming established cigarette smokers. Additionally, adolescents who smoked both conventional cigarettes and e-cigarettes smoked more cigarettes per day than non-e-cigarette users.

Contrary to advertiser claims that e-cigarettes can help consumers stop smoking conventional cigarettes, teenagers who used e-cigarettes and conventional cigarettes were much less likely to have abstained from cigarettes in the past 30 days, 6 months, or year. At the same time, they were more likely to be planning to quit smoking in the next year than smokers who did not use e-cigarettes.

The study's cross-sectional nature didn't allow the researchers to identify whether most youths initiated with conventional cigarettes or e-cigarettes. But the authors noted that about 20 percent of middle school students and about 7 percent of high school students who had ever used e-cigarettes had never smoked regular cigarettes – meaning that some kids are introduced to the addictive drug nicotine through e-cigarettes, the authors said.

“It looks to me like the wild west marketing of e-cigarettes is not only encouraging youth to smoke them, but also it is promoting regular cigarette smoking among youth,” said senior author Stanton A. Glantz, PhD, UCSF professor of medicine and director of the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education.

The new results are consistent with a similar study of 75,000 Korean adolescents published last year by UCSF researchers, which also found that adolescents who used e-cigarettes were less likely to have stopped smoking conventional cigarettes (visit [bit.ly/1fFNWbc](http://bit.ly/1fFNWbc) to learn more).

In combination, the two studies suggest that “e-cigarettes may contribute to nicotine addiction and are unlikely to discourage conventional cigarette smoking among youths,” said the scientists.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported last year that the majority of adolescents who have ever smoked e-cigarettes also have smoked regular cigarettes. An estimated 1.78 million U.S. students have used the devices as of 2012, the CDC reported.

*The research was funded by the National Cancer Institute (grants CA-113710 and CA-060121).*

*The Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education specializes in tobacco control research focused on policy change, smoking cessation, nicotine addiction, health disparities in smoking, novel tobacco devices and tobacco marketing. It also houses the Legacy Tobacco Documents Library, a rich resource of previously confidential tobacco industry documents.*

*UCSF is a leading university dedicated to promoting health worldwide through advanced biomedical research, graduate-level education in the life sciences and health professions, and excellence in patient care. It includes top-ranked graduate schools of dentistry, medicine, nursing and pharmacy, a graduate division with nationally renowned programs in basic biomedical, translational and population sciences, as well as a preeminent biomedical research enterprise and two top-ranked hospitals, UCSF Medical Center and UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital.*

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Liz Williams [liz.williams@no-smoke.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 3:38 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** letter of support for e-cigarette proposal  
**Attachments:** Letter to San Francisco BOS\_02.28.14.pdf

Hello Alisa,

Last week, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights submitted the attached letter of support for San Francisco's proposal to prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in smokefree spaces. We sent it to the Clerk of the Neighborhood Services committee, and as the proposal will now be heard in the Rules Committee tomorrow, I wanted to ensure that you have it too.

We also included the following two documents:

Electronic Cigarettes and Secondhand Aerosol  
<http://www.no-smoke.org/pdf/ecigarette-secondhand-aerosol.pdf>

U.S. State and Local Laws Regulating Use of Electronic Cigarettes  
<http://www.no-smoke.org/pdf/ecigslaws.pdf>

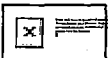
Thank you,  
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# ANR AMERICANS FOR NONSMOKERS' RIGHTS

Defending your right to breathe smokefree air since 1976

February 28, 2014

Supervisor Eric Mar  
Vice-Chair of Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

cc: Honorable Mayor Ed Lee and Supervisors

Dear Supervisor Mar,

On behalf of our members in San Francisco, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights encourages the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes (or e-cigarettes) and other electronic nicotine delivery devices in smokefree venues, where workers and patron will be exposed to the secondhand aerosol they emit.

E-cigarette companies and proponents claim that the aerosol emitted is completely harmless and only contains "water vapor." However, recent research on the constituents of e-cigarettes shows that the aerosol emitted into the air contains lead, chromium, nickel, and other metals, as well as silicate particles and nicotine, so while some may believe the product is "safer," use of the product certainly isn't harmless or risk-free (see attached fact sheet). Although e-cigarettes contribute less to indoor air pollution than tobacco cigarettes, they are not emission-free.

San Francisco would be in good company in prohibiting the use of e-cigarettes in enclosed public places and workplaces, including restaurants and bars. Currently, more than 100 municipalities and three states include e-cigarettes as products prohibited for use in smokefree environments, and New York City and Chicago will implement similar laws at the end of April. We would love to add San Francisco to that list. Other California cities are now or will soon consider this same issue, including Los Angeles and San Diego.

Electronic nicotine delivery devices heat and vaporize a solution containing nicotine and are often designed to mimic the look and feel of a real cigarette. They come in a variety of flavors and nicotine levels, all claiming to be a safer alternative to smoking cigarettes.

Electronic nicotine delivery devices are currently unregulated, which leaves a great deal of unknowns not only about potential health risks to the user (and non-user exposed to the secondhand aerosol), but also about product manufacturing quality and safety. The burden of proof should rest on the manufacturers to demonstrate that their products are safe. While the FDA can and should regulate the production of e-cigarettes, cities and states can and are enacting laws that regulate when and where e-cigarettes can be used, along with laws that regulate sales to minors and where the product can be sold.

While research shows that the levels of toxins in e-cigarette aerosol are lower than in tobacco smoke, the levels are *higher* than what are found in FDA-approved nicotine inhalers, and there is evidence that at least 10 chemicals identified in the aerosol are on the California Prop 65 list of dangerous carcinogens and reproductive toxins, including Acetaldehyde, Benzene, Cadmium, Formaldehyde, Isoprene, Lead, Nickel, Nicotine, N-Nitrosornicotine, and Toluene.

E-cigarette proponents argue that e-cigarettes are safer, healthier, and help people quit tobacco smoking. It may be true that e-cigarettes, in general, are less polluting than tobacco cigarettes, but e-cigarette still emit pollutants and toxins into the air. Given the current science base, we should take the precautionary approach and ensure individuals are not exposed to the secondhand aerosol in smokefree environments.

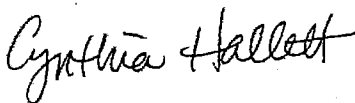
E-cigarette manufacturers and proponents are using unrestrained marketing tactics, especially aimed at young adults via online media, to normalize product use and to promote e-cigarettes as a "safe" alternative to smoking and as an easy way to quit smoking. There is also a concerted effort by e-cigarette companies and proponents to prevent regulation of the product, and now that the three major U.S. tobacco companies—Altria, RJ Reynolds, and Lorillard—have bought or developed e-cigarette brands, we expect to see even more aggressive and deceptive marketing and lobbying. For instance, Los Angeles radio stations are airing ads by Blu E-cigarettes, owned by Lorillard Tobacco Company, and Vuse E-cigarettes, an RJ Reynolds product, asking people to attend their City Council hearing to oppose the proposed ordinance.

The City of San Francisco has the opportunity to protect public health from exposure to secondhand aerosol. We have enough science to make an intelligent decision that secondhand aerosol is not harmless, and that it is a new source of air pollution that contains ultrafine particles, toxicants, and carcinogens.

Given these facts, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights urges the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to prohibit the use of e-cigarettes and other electronic nicotine delivery devices in all smokefree places and workplaces, at all times, without exception.

Thank you for your leadership and desire to make San Francisco the best place to live, work, and visit. Please feel free to contact me at 510-841-3045 if you have any questions, comments, or feedback.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Hallett, MPH  
Executive Director

Attachments: Electronic Cigarettes and Secondhand Aerosol fact sheet  
List of Cities and States with e-cigarette laws

*Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights is a national, member-based, not-for-profit organization based in Berkeley, CA that is dedicated to helping nonsmokers breathe smokefree air since 1976.*

## **Electronic (e-) Cigarettes and Secondhand Aerosol**

*"If you are around somebody who is using e-cigarettes, you are breathing an aerosol of exhaled nicotine, ultra-fine particles, volatile organic compounds, and other toxins,"* Dr. Stanton Glantz, Director for the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education at the University of California, San Francisco.

### **Current Legislative Landscape**

- As of January 2, 2014, **108 municipalities and three states include e-cigarettes** as products that are prohibited from use in smokefree environments.

### **Constituents of Secondhand Aerosol**

E-cigarettes do not just emit "harmless water vapor." **Secondhand e-cigarette aerosol (incorrectly called vapor by the industry) contains nicotine, ultrafine particles and low levels of toxins that are known to cause cancer.**

- E-cigarette aerosol is made up of a high concentration of ultrafine particles, and the particle concentration is higher than in conventional tobacco cigarette smoke.<sup>1</sup>
- Exposure to fine and ultrafine particles may exacerbate respiratory ailments like asthma, and constrict arteries which could trigger a heart attack.<sup>2</sup>
- At least 10 chemicals identified in e-cigarette aerosol are on California's Proposition 65 list of carcinogens and reproductive toxins, also known as the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986. The compounds that have already been identified in mainstream (MS) or secondhand (SS) e-cigarette aerosol include: **Acetaldehyde (MS), Benzene (SS), Cadmium (MS), Formaldehyde (MS,SS), Isoprene (SS), Lead (MS), Nickel (MS), Nicotine (MS, SS), N-Nitrosornicotine (MS, SS), Toluene (MS, SS).**<sup>3,4</sup>
- **E-cigarettes contain and emit propylene glycol**, a chemical that is used as a base in e-cigarette solution and is one of the primary components in the aerosol emitted by e-cigarettes.
  - Short term exposure causes eye, throat, and airway irritation.<sup>5</sup>
  - Long term inhalation exposure can result in children developing asthma.<sup>6</sup>
- Even though propylene glycol is FDA approved for use in some products, the inhalation of vaporized nicotine in propylene glycol is not. Some studies show that heating propylene glycol changes its chemical composition, producing small amounts of propylene oxide, a known carcinogen.<sup>7</sup>
- There are **metals in e-cigarette aerosol, including chromium, nickel, and tin nanoparticles.**<sup>8</sup>
- FDA scientists found detectable levels of carcinogenic tobacco-specific nitrosamines in e-cigarette aerosol.<sup>9</sup>

- People exposed to e-cigarette aerosol absorb nicotine (measured as cotinine), with one study showing levels comparable to passive smokers.<sup>10</sup>
- **Diethylene Glycol**, a poisonous organic compound, was also detected in e-cigarette aerosol.<sup>11</sup>
- **Exhaled e-cigarette aerosol contained propylene glycol, glycerol, flavorings, and nicotine, along with acetone, formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, propanal, diacetyl, and triacetyl.**<sup>12</sup>
- Many of the elements identified in the aerosol are known to **cause respiratory distress and disease**. The aerosol contained particles >1 µm comprised of tin, silver, iron, nickel, aluminum, and silicate and nanoparticles (<100 nm) of tin, chromium and nickel. The concentrations of nine of eleven elements in e-cigarette aerosol were higher than or equal to the corresponding concentrations in conventional cigarette smoke.<sup>13</sup>
- E-cigarettes cause exposure to different chemicals than found in conventional cigarettes and there is a need for risk evaluation for both primary and passive exposure to the aerosol in smokers and nonsmokers.<sup>14</sup>
- Short term use of e-cigarettes has been shown to increase respiratory resistance and impair lung function, which may result in difficulty breathing.<sup>15</sup>
- Overall, e-cigarettes are a new source of **Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and ultrafine/fine particles in the indoor environment**, thus resulting in "passive vaping."<sup>16</sup>

E-cigarette aerosol is a new source of pollution and toxins being emitted into the environment. We do not know the long-term health effects of e-cigarette use and although the industry marketing of the product implies that these products are harmless, the aerosol that e-cigarettes emit is not purely water vapor.

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## U.S. State and Local Laws Regulating Use of Electronic Cigarettes

*As of January 2, 2014*

The following list includes states and municipalities that have enacted laws regulating where electronic cigarette use (e-cigarettes) is prohibited. E-cigarettes are battery-powered devices that are designed to mimic cigarettes by vaporizing a nicotine-laced liquid that is inhaled by the user. The use of e-cigarettes in workplaces and public places is a significant public health concern, not only because of their unregulated constituents and the potential health impact of the vapor on users and bystanders, but also because e-cigarette use causes public confusion as to where smoking is allowed, resulting in compliance problems with smokefree laws.

Most local and state smokefree laws were enacted before e-cigarettes were on the market, so while such laws do not explicitly mention e-cigarettes, it should not be assumed that their use is permitted. Existing smokefree laws are often interpreted to prohibit e-cigarette use in their smokefree provisions.

NOTE: In the 100% Smokefree Venues column, the following abbreviations are used: W=non-hospitality workplaces; R=restaurants; B=bars; G=gambling facilities.

For more information, please visit [ANR's e-cigarettes page](#).

### State Laws Regulating Use of E-cigarettes

#### State Laws Restricting E-cigarette Use in 100% Smokefree Venues

Other state laws that do not explicitly address e-cigarettes might be interpreted as prohibiting the use of e-cigarettes in existing smokefree provisions.

State	Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	100% Smokefree Venues in Which Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	Use of E-cigarettes Specifically Permitted	Permitted In:
1. North Dakota	Yes	WRBG	No	
2. New Jersey	Yes	WRB	No	
3. Utah	Yes	WRB	Yes	Retailers that sell e-cigarettes, until 7/1/17.

## State Laws Regulating E-cigarette Use in Other Venues

State	Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	Prohibited In:	Use of E-cigarettes Specifically Permitted	If Partial, Permitted In:
1. Arkansas	Yes	Use of e-cigarettes prohibited on school district property.	No	
2. Colorado	Yes	Definition of tobacco product for purposes of prohibition of use on school property amended to include e-cigarettes, unless approved by FDA as cessation devices.	No	
3. Delaware	Yes	Tobacco use, including use of e-cigarettes and hookahs, prohibited in all State workplaces, including all buildings, facilities, indoor and outdoor spaces and surrounding grounds, as well as parking lots and state vehicles operated on State workplace property.	No	
4. Kansas	Yes	Tobacco use, including use of e-cigarettes, prohibited on all Dept. of Corrections property and grounds, by both employees and inmates. Per opinion of Attorney General, Indoor Clean Air Act of 2010 does not apply to e-cigarettes.	Partial	All places where smoking is prohibited per 3/12/10 law, including workplaces, restaurants, bars, gambling facilities, and public places generally.
5. Maryland	Yes	Smoking, including use of e-cigarettes prohibited on MARC commuter rail system trains.	No	
6. New Hampshire	Yes	Use of e-cigarettes prohibited in public educational facilities and on grounds thereof.	No	
7. Oklahoma	Yes	Tobacco use, including use of e-cigarettes, prohibited in all Dept. of Corrections facilities, including vehicles and grounds.	No	
8. Oregon	Yes	State agency employees prohibited from using tobacco products, including e-cigarettes, in State agency buildings and on State agency grounds adjacent to buildings.	No	

State	Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	Prohibited In:	Use of E-cigarettes Specifically Permitted	If Partial, Permitted In:
9. South Dakota	Yes	Tobacco use, including use of e-cigarettes, prohibited in Dept. of Corrections facilities and on grounds thereof, by both employees and inmates.	No	

## Local Laws Regulating Use of E-cigarettes

### Laws Restricting E-cigarette Use in 100% Smokefree Venues

Note: The jurisdiction(s) affected by county-level laws vary widely. Look for a plus symbol (+) next to each county with a law that includes both incorporated and unincorporated areas. A county without a symbol means that the county law covers unincorporated areas only.

State	Name	Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	If Partial, Prohibited In:	100% Smokefree Venues in Which Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	Use of E-cigarettes Specifically Permitted	If Partial, Permitted In:
1. AK	Palmer	Yes		WRB	No	
2. AL	Anniston	Yes		WRBG	No	
3. AL	Bessemer	Yes		WRG	No	
4. AL	Clay	Yes		WRBG	No	
5. AL	Creola	Yes		WRBG	No	
6. AL	Fultondale	Yes		WRBG	No	
7. AL	Midfield	Yes		WRBG	No	
8. AL	Monroeville	Yes		WRBG	No	
9. AL	Troy	Yes		WRBG	No	
10. AL	Vestavia Hills	Yes		WRBG	No	
11. CA	Arcata	Yes		WRB	No	
12. CA	Campbell	Yes		RBG	No	
13. CA	Eureka	Yes		WRBG	No	
14. CA	Fairfax	Yes		WRBG	No	

State	Name	Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	If Partial, Prohibited In:	100% Smokefree Venues in Which Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	Use of E-cigarettes Specifically Permitted	If Partial, Permitted In:
15. CA	Marin County	Partial	Use of e-cigarettes prohibited everywhere that smoking is prohibited, except in individual apartment units in multi-unit residences.	WRB	Partial	Individual apartment units in multi-unit residences.
16. CA	Mill Valley	Yes		WRB	No	
17. CA	Morgan Hill	Yes		WRB	No	
18. CA	Mountain View	Yes		WRB	No	
19. CA	Petaluma	Yes		W	No	
20. CA	Santa Clara County	Yes		WRB	No	
21. CA	Sebastopol	Yes		WRBG	No	
22. CA	Tiburon	Yes		WRB	No	
23. CA	Union City	Yes		WRB	No	
24. CA	Walnut Creek	Yes		RBG	No	
25. FL	Clay County	Yes		WR	No	
26. GA	Chatham County	Yes		WRBG	No	
27. GA	DeKalb County	Yes		W	No	
28. GA	Savannah	Yes		WRBG	No	
29. ID	Ketchum	Yes		WRBG	No	
30. IN	Indianapolis/Marion County+ (except the cities of Beech Grove, Lawrence, Southport, and Speedway)	Yes		WRB	No	
31. KY	Bardstown	Yes		WRBG	No	
32. KY	Glasgow	Yes		RBG	No	
33. KY	Kenton County+	Yes		W	No	
34. KY	Madison County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
35. KY	Manchester	Yes		WRBG	No	
36. LA	Monroe	Yes		WRBG	No	
37. LA	Ouachita Parish	Yes		WRBG	No	

State	Name	Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	If Partial, Prohibited In:	100% Smokefree Venues in Which Use of E-cigarettes Prohibited	Use of E-cigarettes Specifically Permitted	If Partial, Permitted In:
38. LA	West Monroe	Yes		WRBG	No	
39. MA	Boston	Yes		WRB	No	
40. MA	Bourne	Yes		WRB	No	
41. MA	Buckland	Yes		WRBG	No	
42. MA	Burlington	Yes		WRBG	No	
43. MA	Foxborough	Yes		WRBG	No	
44. MA	Gill	Yes		WRBG	No	
45. MA	Grafton	Yes		WRBG	No	
46. MA	Great Barrington	Yes		WRBG	No	
47. MA	Hatfield	Partial	Use of e-cigarettes prohibited everywhere that smoking is prohibited, except for smoking bars and hotels/motels.	WRBG	Partial	Smoking bars and hotels/motels.
48. MA	Haverhill	Yes		WRBG	No	
49. MA	New Bedford	Yes		WRB	No	
50. MA	North Attleborough	Yes		WRBG	No	
51. MA	Northampton	Yes		WRB	No	
52. MA	Oxford	Yes		WRBG	No	
53. MA	Pittsfield	Yes		WRBG	No	
54. MA	Salem	Yes		WRBG	No	
55. MA	Saugus	Yes		WRBG	No	
56. MA	Shelburne	Yes		WRB	No	
57. MA	South Hadley	Yes		WRBG	No	
58. MA	Taunton	Yes		WRBG	No	
59. MA	Westminster	Yes		WRBG	No	
60. MA	Westport	Yes		WRBG	No	
61. MA	Westwood	Yes		WRBG	No	
62. MA	Whately	Yes		WRB	No	
63. MA	Winchester	Yes		WRBG	No	
64. MN	Duluth	Yes		WRBG	No	
65. MN	Ely	Yes		WRBG	No	
66. MN	Hermantown	Yes		WRB	No	

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67. MO	Creve Coeur	Yes		WRB	No	
68. MO	Jefferson City	Yes		WRBG	No	
69. MO	Washington	Yes		WRBG	No	
70. MS	Anguilla	Yes		WRBG	No	
71. MS	Arcola	Yes		WRBG	No	
72. MS	Baldwyn	Yes		WRBG	No	
73. MS	Bassfield	Yes		WRBG	No	
74. MS	Byram	Yes		WRBG	No	
75. MS	Calhoun City	Yes		WRBG	No	
76. MS	Centreville	Yes		WRBG	No	
77. MS	Coahoma County	Yes		WRB	No	
78. MS	Duncan	Yes		WRBG	No	
79. MS	Durant	Yes		WRBG	No	
80. MS	Flowood	Yes		WRG	No	
81. MS	Forest	Yes		WRBG	No	
82. MS	Georgetown	Yes		WRBG	No	
83. MS	Monticello	Yes		RBG	No	
84. MS	New Augusta	Yes		WRBG	No	
85. MS	Plantersville	Yes		WRBG	No	
86. MS	Prentiss	Yes		WRBG	No	
87. MS	Rolling Fork	Yes		WRBG	No	
88. MS	Sumner	Yes		WRBG	No	
89. MS	Wesson	Yes		WRBG	No	
90. ND	Bismarck	Yes		WRB	No	
91. ND	Walhalla	Yes		WRBG	No	
92. NY	Cattaraugus County	Yes		RBG	No	
93. NY	Suffolk County+	Yes		WRB	No	
94. SC	Estill	Yes		WRBG	No	
95. SC	Yemassee	Yes		WRB	No	
96. TX	Lufkin	Yes		WRBG	No	
97. TX	San Angelo	Yes		WRB	No	
98. WA	King County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
99. WV	Calhoun County+	Yes		WRBG	No	

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100. WV	Greenbrier County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
101. WV	Lewis County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
102. WV	Marshall County+	Yes		W	No	
103. WV	Pleasants County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
104. WV	Ritchie County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
105. WV	Roane County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
106. WV	Taylor County	Yes		WRBG	No	
107. WV	Wirt County+	Yes		WRBG	No	
108. WV	Wood County+	Yes		WRBG	No	

\*Law pertains to both incorporated and unincorporated areas of county.

**State Laws Restricting E-cigarette Use in 100% Smokefree Venues: 3**

**State Laws Restricting E-cigarette Use in Other Venues: 9**

**Local Laws Restricting E-cigarette Use in 100% Smokefree Venues: 108**

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Steve Heilig [heilig@sfms.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 1:23 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors; Chiu Intern; Chiu, David; Campos, David; Breed, London; Avalos, John; Farrell, Mark; Cohen, Malia; Kim, Jane; Mar, Eric (BOS); Wiener, Scott; Tang, Katy; Yee, Norman (BOS); Miller, Alisa; Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Electronic Cigarettes: Regulations needed (Ordinance No. 131208)

TO: SF Board of Supervisors  
RE: Electronic cigarettes: Proposed regs

Greetings:

Please see our San Francisco Medical Society letter from today's *San Francisco Examiner* in support of the proposed regulations on "e"cigs"

Appended below that is the California Medical Association policy on this we first drafted; it mirrors the San Francisco Health Commission policy on this topic as well..

Note also that Los Angeles approved such regulations this week.

No doubt you will also receive much input in opposition to these regulations and, as with previous healthy policies such as banning smoking in restaurants and workplaces, it might well be interesting to request that anybody testifying disclose any financial or other ties they might have to the e-cig and/or tobacco industries.

Thank you for your leadership!

Steve Heilig  
STEVE HEILIG, MPH  
(415)561-0850x270  
San Francisco Medical Society  
<http://www.sfms.org>

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*Lead letter in today's SF Examiner:*

<http://www.sfexaminer.com/sanfrancisco/letters-regulate-e-cigarettes/Content?oid=2721250>

## Letters: Regulate e-cigarettes

RE: "E-cigarette rules proposed," The City, Monday

### Regulate e-cigarettes

Electronic cigarettes are very much in need of more regulations, in order to minimize marketing and access to them by kids and to reduce exposure to their vapors for everybody.

The San Francisco Medical Society has had a policy supporting such regulations for years, and a growing number of other medical and health organizations — and cities — are agreeing that e-cigarettes can pose health risks. Contrary to heavy lobbying by e-cig and tobacco interests, the proposed San Francisco regulations pose

no burden to those who might actually use e-cigs to help quit tobacco smoking, and we commend the San Francisco supervisors who are proposing stricter, healthier regulations.

*Dr. Lawrence Cheung*

*President, San Francisco Medical Society*

*San Francisco*

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## **CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (2011)**

### **TITLE: Regulation of Electronic Cigarettes**

WHEREAS electronic cigarettes, also called e-cigarettes, are increasingly-sold devices for delivering nicotine in virtually smokeless form and are not regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and are available for purchase widely; and

WHEREAS electronic cigarette manufacturers and retailers are making unproven health claims about their products by asserting that they are safe or safer than traditional cigarettes and that they can be used as an aid to smoking cessation; and

WHEREAS the FDA has warned the public about the potential health risks of using e cigarettes and initial FDA studies found that e-cigarettes contain known carcinogens and intends to propose a regulation that would extend the Agency's "tobacco product" authority to E-cigarettes that contain nicotine "made or derived from tobacco" and

WHEREAS e-cigarette packages do not supply warnings about possible adverse effects on health comparable to FDA-approved nicotine replacement products or conventional cigarettes[i]; and

WHEREAS there is no scientific evidence that e-cigarettes can help smokers quit smoking and the World Health Association does not consider e-cigarettes to be a legitimate therapy for smokers trying to quit tobacco and FDA studies found that certain e cigarettes misrepresent nicotine content on their labels and sometimes contain far more nicotine than FDA-approved smoking cessation products; and

WHEREAS electronic cigarettes may not be legally sold to minors in California but electronic cigarette producers market their product to children by flavoring their products with candy, fruit, and other flavors and the FDA has raised concerns that electronic cigarettes can increase nicotine addiction among young people and may lead youth to try conventional tobacco products[ii]; and

WHEREAS electronic cigarettes' resemblance to conventional cigarettes increases the likelihood that people will break the law by lighting up cigarettes because they see what appears to be someone smoking, undermining compliance with existing smoking regulations and prompting confusion regarding laws prohibiting smoking in certain locations; and

WHEREAS the Department of Transportation has banned the use of electronic cigarettes on U.S. carrier and foreign carrier flights, and the San Francisco Airport Commission bans electronic cigarettes, and electronic cigarettes have been banned in indoor public places and workplaces by King County (Seattle), Washington,

New Jersey and Suffolk County, New York while electronic cigarette sales have been banned throughout Canada, and

WHEREAS the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, American Heart Association, and American Lung Association support including e cigarettes in smoke-free laws.[iii]

*RESOLVED, that the CMA will support policies that prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes and other nicotine delivery devices not approved by the FDA as smoking cessation aids in those places where smoking is prohibited by law, and that will require a tobacco permit for the sale or furnishing of electronic cigarettes and other nicotine delivery devices not approved by the FDA as smoking cessation aids.*

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Cassie Ray [cassie.ray@cancer.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 11:29 AM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors; Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Support of ordinance 131208  
**Attachments:** San Francisco e-cigarettes.docx

Dear Mayor Lee and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Attached you will find a letter from the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network in support of ordinance 131208, which redefine smoking to include e-cigarettes and other electronic smoking devices, and would prohibit the use of e-cigarettes wherever smoking is prohibited, require a tobacco permit to sell e-cigarettes, and prohibit sales of cigarettes wherever tobacco is not permitted to be sold. We encourage you to pass the proposed ordinance for the protection of the health of the residents of San Francisco.

**Cassie Ray** | Northern California Government Relations  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, Inc.  
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Sacramento, CA 95814-2742  
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March 4, 2014

Mayor Edwin M. Lee  
City Hall, Room 200  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Mayor Lee and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network is committed to protecting the health and well-being of the residents of San Francisco. As such we support ordinance 131208, which would amend the San Francisco Health Code, and redefine smoking to include e-cigarettes and other electronic smoking devices, making them subject to the same codes that currently cover smoking within the city. The proposed ordinance would prohibit the use of e-cigarettes wherever smoking is prohibited, require a tobacco permit to sell e-cigarettes, and prohibit sales of cigarettes wherever tobacco is not permitted to be sold.

The health effects of e-cigarettes – especially the longer-term effects – are scientifically uncertain. Currently, only a limited number of studies have examined the contents of e-cigarette vapor. Some of the studies have found the vapor to contain only propylene glycol, nicotine, and flavorings, and other studies found them to contain heavy metals, volatile organic compounds and tobacco-specific nitrosamines, among other ingredients. A 2009 study done by the FDA found cancer-causing substances in several of the e-cigarette samples tested. Additionally, Food and Drug Administration (FDA) tests found nicotine in some e-cigarettes that claimed to contain no nicotine.

There is general agreement among scientists in the field that, in the short run, at least, e-cigarettes are almost certainly less harmful than combusted cigarettes. But there are still serious questions about the safety of inhaling the substances in some e-cigarette vapor. E-cigarettes have not been subject to thorough, independent testing, so users cannot be sure of what they are actually inhaling. Some studies have shown that some e-cigarettes can cause short-term lung changes and irritations and the long-term health effects, as noted above, are unknown. Additionally, the effects of secondhand vapor from e-cigarettes require further study, especially to determine differences among the many brands and types of e-cigarettes. In

addition, allowing the use of electronic smoking devices in public places where smoking is otherwise prohibited can create confusion with enforcement issues as well, as there are concerns that they may create new tobacco users and reverse efforts that have made smoking socially unacceptable.

The appeal of e-cigarettes to youth is a new and rapidly growing problem, as e-cigarettes are sold in an assortment of flavors that appeal to youth, and CDC data shows that the marketing of these products is enticing to this population. The CDC reported that the use of e-cigarettes by youth, among both high school and middle school students, doubled from 2011 to 2012. San Francisco has sought to reduce youth smoking by reducing youth access, and we encourage similar protections be implemented for e-cigarettes. The code currently restricts where cigarettes may be sold and requires that retailers purchase a permit; we ask that these same restrictions be applied to e-cigarettes.

Other cities such as New York, Chicago, and most recently, Los Angeles, have chosen to protect their citizens, by taking the important step of redefining smoking to include these electronic devices. The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network encourages San Francisco to do the same with the adoption of this ordinance.

Sincerely,

Cassie Ray,  
Government Relations Director  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Evans, Derek  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 9:02 AM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** FW:

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**From:** Andrew Makuch [<mailto:andrewmakuch16@msn.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 6:41 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:**

Dear Representative,

As a California citizen and bay area resident, though currently living in Arizona, I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, yet OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned.

Switching to e-cigarettes has changed my life tremendously, with enjoying better health for the first time in 40 years!

Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.

The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor.

A [comprehensive review](#) conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.

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By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks.

For more information, please visit the [CASAA.org](http://CASAA.org) website, as well as the [CASAA Research Library](#).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Andrew Makuch  
1301 E. Mabel St.  
Tucson, AZ 85719



**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 2:35 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors; Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** File 131208: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Jessica Holmes [mailto:mail@changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 11:55 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 I'm a San Francisco resident, and I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, but I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned. The content of e-cigarette vapor is identical to the haze from nightclub smoke machines! • Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products. • The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor. • A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. • Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible. • The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%. By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks. • Many people are steadily switched from toxic and terrible traditional cigarettes to vapor-based e-cigarettes. Please don't put obstacles in the way of our friends' and family's health! For more information: <http://blog.casaa.org/2014/02/call-to-action-san-francisco-california.html>

Sincerely,  
Jessica Holmes Kensington, California.

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There are now 41 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Jared Grippe by clicking here:

<http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco/responses/new?response=d25e3858801f>

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 2:40 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors; Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** File 131208: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Joel Girard [<mailto:mail@changemail.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 03, 2014 12:23 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Joel Girard Charlestown, Rhode Island

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Pamela Brown [pamdemonium3@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 6:08 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: E-Cig Regulations

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**From:** **Pamela Brown** <pamdemonium3@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Tue, Mar 4, 2014 at 6:04 PM  
**Subject:** E-Cig Regulations  
**To:** [David.Campos@sfgov.org](mailto:David.Campos@sfgov.org)

Hi David,

This is Pam Brown. My daughter Starr and I worked on your campaign with Linnette & Kim a few years ago. I just want you to know my views on "vaping".

I quit smoking real cigarettes last October with the help of electronic cigarettes. I tried everything over a 20+ year span to quit and nothing worked until I visited Vapor Den (on Guerrero St) and started vaping. Within 9 days I was completely finished.

I can understand the concerns with vaping indoors and around people who do not smoke. That is not the issue. The issue is treating vapor shops and electronic cigarettes like real tobacco products. They are not the same. There is no smoke or harmful chemicals. Please do not try to regulate them as tobacco products. They do not contain tobacco.

I have purchased several kits (tax revenue for SF) and mailed them to friends and family back East to help them quit. If there are limited places to buy vaping supplies in San Francisco, I will go elsewhere (the Peninsula or the internet) to purchase them. I do not think a vapor store is the same thing as a "corner store" that sells liquor & cigarettes. They are classy, well run establishments, similar to a clinic or something. You should visit Vapor Den and see for yourself.

I understand Big Tobacco & Big Pharma have a lot to loose when people quit smoking, as do various levels of government who can no longer collect the tax revenue from the use of tobacco. It is not fair to the small businesses/Vape shops...who are doing a public service....to be punished and classified as "tobacco" and required to have licences for something they do not sell.

I hope you get this email and I hope you are doing well.

Sincerely,  
Pam Brown

## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** David LeClaire [djlec@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 4:20 AM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Oppose - Ordinance 131208 (To The Board of Supervisors)

1. I work at the San Francisco Airport and I am a California citizen. I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors but I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned.

2. Have successfully been off of Cigarettes for 110 Days and you should Embrace this Technology rather than Punish it .

3. I wish to explain that:

- Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.
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4. I also wish to Direct you to the CASAA.org website, as well as the CASAA Research Library, for more information.

David J. LeClaire,

Union City, CA  
94587

Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Mo [phoebeandmo@sbcglobal.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 4:32 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Fwd: E-cigarettes

Hello, I would like for you to take into consideration the following before a vote is taken to ban the use of e-cigarettes:

- Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible.
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- By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks.

I have reduced the amount of regular cigarettes I used to smoke by @least 1/2. I have really enjoyed going to dinner with friends&family, and staying at the table without running outside for a cigarette, I use my e-cig and no one seems to mind. No one has ever said a word to me about the e-cig. Again please take this into consideration.

Sincerely  
Maureen

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Letitia Pepper [letitiapepper@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 1:47 PM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa; Mar, Eric (BOS); Campos, David; Tang, Katy  
**Cc:** David Goldman; Ryan Landers; Lanette Davies; Rory Murray; Martin Victor; Lavonne Victor; castrocastle@gmail.com; Lanny Swerdlow; SFBay Cannabis Community  
**Subject:** Proposed treatment of e-cigarettes and other portable vaporizers at this Thursday's meeting

Dear Rules Committee Members and Ms. Miller:

I would like to comment on the idea that someone has had that e-cigarettes and other portable vaporizers, which people can use to inhale medical marijuana vapor (or any other herbal vapor for that matter) should be banned.

I read a letter that David Goldman sent you on this topic, and I am in agreement with it: this looks like a solution in search of a (no-existent) problem.

I am not a tobacco user, and I was thrilled when California adopted an initiative to stop cigarette smoking in interior public places like bars and restaurants. People did still congregate and smoke in other areas, and did still become testy when they needed to smoke but couldn't. So I was also thrilled when someone invented the e-cigarette, which removes the products of combustion and the threat of second-hand smoke, and also helps the public avoid run-ins with testy, nicotine addicts who'd lost the ability to take their calming cigarette breaks due to rules against smoking anywhere near a public building, even outside.

No one else will probably think to mention this point, but I'm going to do so. If you've ever had to be around someone with a nicotine addiction who can't take a smoke break, then you'd understand that the e-cigarette is actually performing a public service for those of us who do not use tobacco. Reducing the level of anxiety in the general population should be a public health goal: another reason to not ban e-cigarettes

So why, in God's name, would a city try to ban the use of such devices? The only justifiable reason for the government to ban cigarette smoking was the danger of second-hand smoke to the unwilling, nearby members of the public, E-cigarettes do not even create smoke! So please consider carefully: what is the public danger or health risk that justifies banning these devices?

Personally, I think the real impetus for this proposal is coming from people opposed to the legal use of medical marijuana. That is because people can, and do, also use these portable vaporizers to inhale marijuana vapor. But merely someone desiring to control and prevent people from legally using marijuana, legally using it, is no justification. Some people really need to use cannabis on a regular and frequent basis, even when they are not at home. In fact, cannabis allows them to not be house-bound.

I know quite a few of these people. They have HIV or AIDS, they have intractable pain and/or nausea, they have panic attacks, anxiety and PTSD, they have asthma, and they have seizures. Instead of using prescription drugs (which do not actually work well, or without side effects for many people), they use cannabis.

Vaporizers do not create secondary vapor problems for any members of the public. So what reasonable public concern can justify adopting a rule that would have a significant impact on many people with health problems, while fulfilling no observable

public health concern?

Of all city governments, San Francisco, home of "Brownie Mary" and Dennis Peron, the cradle of Prop. 215, should be the one city that does not blindly adopt a rule that appears to be directed at suppressing and "mini-criminalizing" the use of medical marijuana by banning portable vaporizers and e-cigarettes.

This is a subject near and dear to my heart. For seven years, after fourteen years of being a guinea pig for the pharmaceutical industry, I've been able to use only medical marijuana in place of the multiple prescription drugs that made me sick and that cost me \$300 a month in co-pays. That's \$300 I now can spend in my local communities. My disease? Multiple sclerosis. Does my neurologist approve my switch to whole, herbal cannabis? Now that she's seen the results, she totally does.

I fully believe that the pharmaceutical industries' lobbyists are at work all over this country, trying to inhibit and suppress the public's growing realization that cannabis is actually better medicine than many prescription drugs. So please, ask yourself this very relevant question: what public health hazard are we trying to solve by considering banning portable vaporizers?

People still have a right to use tobacco and nicotine, so claiming that such a ban will reduce nicotine use is not a really good answer at all. Here's why: banning vaporizers will actually INCREASE health risks.

If people can't vaporize nicotine in public, then they will simply do what my father did: they'll chew tobacco or use snuff. This is actually far WORSE for people's health than letting them vaporizing just enough nicotine to treat that addiction.

First, it puts the cancer-causing substance right up against a small area in a concentrated form: this causes mouth, tongue, jaw and other horrible forms of cancer.

Second, this delivers a far larger dose of nicotine than does smoking or vaporizing tobacco. My father had a major heart attack. He always told my mother that the tobacco he chewed was just "harmless vegetable matter," and the cardiologist who spoke with her after the heart attack almost came out of his chair when he heard that. He told us that chewing tobacco delivers five times the amount of nicotine that a person would have gotten out of smoking the same amount of "harmless vegetable matter."

Third, people who chew tobacco or use snuff end up needing to spit. This is disgusting. (I once had a college roommate, a girl, who chewed tobacco, so I know.) So instead of unobjectionable vapor and e-cigarettes, we'll end up with people spitting tobacco-colored (and scented) saliva all over city streets. Ugh!

Please, do not create a worse public health problem by banning e-cigarettes and portable vaporizers. This isn't really a "solution looking for a problem," it's really a proposed solution looking for a way to create a problem.

Sincerely,

Letitia E. Pepper, Director of Legal and Legislative Analysis for Crusaders for Patients' Rights



Crusaders for Patients' Rights is a nonprofit corporation that provides support and education on issues of concern to people using medical marijuana.

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Marty Johnson [mj5718@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 11:34 AM  
**To:** Yee, Norman (BOS); Tang, Katy; Campos, David; Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 131208 transferred to the Rules Committee

Rules Committee Members,

Please consider this when acting on e-cig commerce. I was a life-long smoker of forty-plus years, when my son called and said he was sending me something in the mail. The package arrived a few days later containing some objects I wasn't familiar with. I believed they were an electronic cigarette (e-cig), but I didn't know how they worked, it looked complicated and so I dismissed it. Later that day my son called and explained that he and his girlfriend had completely quit smoking after many years when beginning use of the e-cigs and that I could too. I was very skeptical, I never believed I would quit after many times trying. But if he wanted me to try, I would. That was on March 18<sup>th</sup> of 2013 and I haven't smoked cigarettes since I began e-cigs. Thanks to the e-cig industry and thanks to my son, I have hope again to extend my life beyond all expectations. Please also consider the published information below:

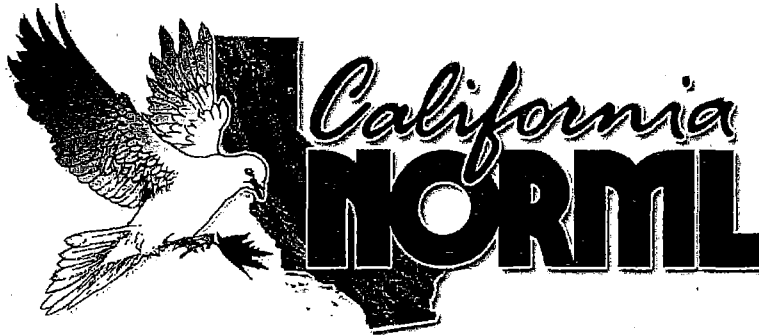
Sweanor, D., et al., **Tobacco harm reduction: How rational public policy could transform a pandemic**, International Journal of Drug Policy (2007), doi: 10.1016/j.drugpo.2006.11.013

"Nicotine, at the dosage levels smokers seek, is a relatively innocuous drug commonly delivered by a highly harmful device, cigarette smoke. An intensifying pandemic of disease caused or exacerbated by smoking demands more effective policy responses than the current one: demanding that nicotine users abstain. A pragmatic response to the smoking problem is blocked by moralistic campaigns masquerading as public health, by divisions within the community of opponents to present policy, and by the public-health professions antipathy to any tobacco-control endeavors other than smoking cessation. Yet, numerous alternative systems for nicotine delivery exist, many of them far safer than smoking. A pragmatic, public-health approach to tobacco control would recognize a continuum of risk and encourage nicotine users to move themselves down the risk spectrum by choosing safer alternatives to smoking ??? without demanding abstinence."  
[http://www.drugpolicy.org/docUploads/DRUPOL\\_633.pdf](http://www.drugpolicy.org/docUploads/DRUPOL_633.pdf)

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter

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Mar 4th, 2014

Rules Committee  
SF Board of Supervisors  
1 Carlton Goodlet Pl.  
San Francisco CA 94102

Honorable Members of the Rules Committee:

On behalf of the city's many residents who find e-cigarettes and vaporizers a beneficial "harm reduction" substitute for smoking, we urge San Francisco to reject the proposed ordinance to ban use of e-cigarettes in non-smoking areas (file # 131208).

Cal NORML is particularly concerned that the proposed ban would be harmful to medical marijuana patients, many of whom rely on smokeless vaporizers to inhale their medicine. The proposed ordinance defines e-cigarettes to include "any device with a heating element, a battery, or an electronic circuit that provides nicotine or other vaporized liquids to the user" (emphasis added). This encompasses a wide variety of smokeless vaporizers that are also used to deliver medical cannabis concentrates. Although the bill has a clause saying it doesn't affect "any laws or regulations regarding medical cannabis," there exist no laws or regulations protecting access to medical cannabis vaporizers in the first place, except a provision allowing on-site consumption at certain dispensaries. Thus, the law will adversely impact patients using public housing, medical facilities, the parks, businesses or public accommodations, many of whom must rely on vaporizers due to current anti-smoking laws. Furthermore, nicotine and cannabis e-cigs are generally indistinguishable, being manufactured from identical components but with different liquid cartridges. Any attempt to ban e-cigs will therefore adversely affect medical marijuana patients, since police won't be able to differentiate nicotine from cannabis or other herbal vaporizers.

The scientific evidence is overwhelming that smokeless e-cigarettes and

vaporizers dramatically reduce the respiratory hazards of smoking. This is because they don't produce smoke in the first place. Studies have consistently found that e-cig emissions are far below accepted exposure thresholds and pose no second-hand risk to bystanders. By prohibiting vaporization like smoking, the proposed ordinance will adversely affect public health by discouraging the substitution of e-cigs for far more dangerous, smoked alternatives.

**Scientific studies sponsored by California NORML have shown that vaporizers eliminate noxious smoke toxins from marijuana vapor**, delivering a purified stream of medically active ingredients.<sup>1</sup> In a study of the M-1 Volatizer® (a crude vaporization device compared to newer models), 100% of the measurable gaseous toxins - benzene, naphthalene and toluene - were eliminated from marijuana vapor.<sup>2</sup> In a follow-up study, another vaporizer, the Volcano®, completely eliminated over 100 solid-state tars and particulates from the vapor, delivering an effectively pure stream of selected, medically active ingredients (THC and terpenes)<sup>3</sup>. The effectiveness of the Volcano was subsequently validated in clinical studies by California's Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research<sup>4</sup>, and it has since been approved as a medical device in the European Union.

Vaporizers and e-cigarettes don't produce smoke because they don't reach the point of combustion, but rather evaporate or exude liquid extracts of the active ingredients. This eliminates the toxic tars, gases and particulates which are the source of both primary and second-hand respiratory harms due to smoking such as lung cancer, emphysema and asthma.

In light of these facts, California NORML has long advised marijuana consumers to use vaporizers in order to avoid the respiratory hazards of smoking. (In this connection, it should be noted that no second-hand health risks due to marijuana smoking have ever been documented; instead, scientific studies have found that, unlike tobacco, even first-hand marijuana smoking causes neither cancer nor emphysema.<sup>5</sup> There is accordingly all the less reason to believe that *second-hand* exposure to *smokeless emissions from marijuana vaporizers* present any health hazard to bystanders.)

As for nicotine e-cigs, studies consistently show that they offer major harm reduction benefits to tobacco smokers by drastically reducing their exposure to harmful smoke toxins.<sup>6</sup> Such emissions as have been detected from e-cigarettes are minimal and well below accepted threshold levels.<sup>7</sup> At worst, they pose no more threat to bystanders than common odors from garden plants, kitchen grills, detergents, incense, deodorizers, gas stations and ambient pollution.

Many ex-smokers report having successfully kicked the cigarette habit by substituting e-cigs instead.<sup>8</sup> Contrary to the concerns of critics, surveys show that e-cigs aren't a stepping-stone towards smoking, but rather a step away.<sup>9</sup> Restricting use of e-cigs will therefore adversely impact public health by discouraging their substitution for more dangerous, smoked tobacco alternatives.

**The decision to allow e-cigs and vaporizers should properly be up to**

**individual businesses and property owners, not the dictates of intolerant pressure groups.** There is no reason that medical marijuana patients should be forced to go outside to medicate with smokers. Many employers rightly prefer to let employees use nicotine e-cigs at work, rather than have them go outdoors for a smoking break.

E-cigs and vaporizers are not hazardous but helpful to public health. They should be encouraged, not banished, as a healthful harm reduction substitute for smokers.

Sincerely,



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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Dale Gieringer [dale@canorml.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 10:59 AM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa; Mar, Eric (BOS); Campos, David; Tang, Katy  
**Subject:** E-Cig Ban Harms Medical Marijuana Patients  
**Attachments:** SF\_ECig\_Rules Committee\_TTY.pdf, ATT00001.htm

To the SF Supervisors Rules Committee

Attached is Cal NORML's testimony in opposition to the proposed ban on smokeless e-cigs and vaporizers in non-smoking areas. The scientific evidence is clear that vaporization is a valuable smoke harm reduction technology that presents no second-hand exposure hazards.

**Cal NORML is particularly concerned that the proposed ban would be harmful to medical marijuana patients, many of whom rely on smokeless vaporizers to inhale their medicine.**

See testimony attached.

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Ian Baker [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:00 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear Derek Evans,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 It is import for all of you to know the eCigs are not and should not be treated the same as smoking cigarettes. A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. The city of San Francisco should be promoting the use of eCigs in place of smoking conventional cigarettes. Please vote for a healthier San Francisco by encouraging smokers to stop smoking and switch to the simulated smoke of an eCigs. It's the right choice for smokers and it's the right choice for San Francisco. Here are some of the benefits of eCigs that you, our representatives, should care about: it's healthier it bothers the people around much less if at all there are no cigarette butts to be thrown on the ground less cigarette related injury or illness for Healthy San Francisco to pay the bill for less chance of cigarette related fires All of these benefits lead to a happier and healthier San Francisco. Please vite NO on Ordinance No. 131208 and please work to encourage every smoker to stop smoking and choose the healthier option of eCigs.

Sincerely,  
Ian Baker San Francisco, California

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Rebecca Pier [mailto:changemail.org]  
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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Pier San Francisco, California.

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** nicole aptekar [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:04 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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Sincerely,  
nicole aptekar san francisco, California

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Micah Scott [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:07 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Micah Scott San Francisco, California

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** nicolebn@gmail.com on behalf of Nicole Aptekar [me@nicolation.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:10 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** I oppose Ordinance 131208

I'm a San Francisco resident, and I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, but I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned.

The content of e-cigarette vapor is identical to smoke machines!

- Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.
- The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor.
- A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.
- Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible.
- The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%.
- **By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks.**

I'm not a smoker myself, however many of my friends are. They've steadily switched from toxic and terrible traditional cigarettes to vapor-based e-cigarettes, and their health is paramount to me. Please don't put obstacles in the way of my friends and families' health!

~Nicole Aptekar

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Melissa Piercey [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:18 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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Sincerely,  
Melissa Piercey San Francisco, California

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Alain Bloch [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:21 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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Sincerely,  
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## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Christina Jenkins [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:29 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear Derek Evans,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 I'm a San Francisco resident, and I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, but I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned. The content of e-cigarette vapor is identical to the haze from nightclub smoke machines! Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products. The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor. A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible. The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%. By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks. I'm not a smoker myself, however many of my friends are. They've steadily switched from toxic and terrible traditional cigarettes to vapor-based e-cigarettes, and their health is paramount to me. Please don't put obstacles in the way of my friends' and family's health! For more information:  
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Sincerely,  
Christina Jenkins Berkeley, California

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**From:** Sean Williams [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:34 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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Sincerely,  
Sean Williams Fremont, California

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**From:** Jason Kelly [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:46 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Jason Kelly San Francisco, California

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**From:** Eric Nicholas [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:47 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Eric Nicholas San Francisco, California

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**From:** Whitney Moses [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:48 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Whitney Moses San Francisco, California

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**From:** Sam Selfridge [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 1:17 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Sam Selfridge CARPINTERIA, California

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**From:** Reed Kennedy [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:25 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Jef J [jef@ericabaker.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 11:42 AM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** ecig ban = no

It is possible to dislike something without banning it. Do some simple reading. Ecigs are not the enemy.

Do not ban them. If you really care about public health, you would be in support of them. Sadly, it seems those who make laws, have big tobacco and pharma in their pockets. Don't forget we are voters too

<http://www.ecigarette-research.com/web/index.php>

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Joanne at Sunset Vapors [joanne@sunsetvaporsnc.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 12:09 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Please do not ban e-cigarettes

So many of our customers have thanked us for providing these products. They have helped hundreds of people quit smoking cigarettes and many more quit every day.

Please don't ban them. Why not let businesses decide if they're "vape friendly" or not?

Thank you,  
Joanne VanderWeide  
Owner  
Sunset Vapors  
Asheboro, North Carolina

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Laura Newpoff [lauranewpoff@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 12:21 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek; Yee, Norman (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Campos, David; Wiener, Scott; Tang, Katy; Kim, Jane; Farrell, Mark; Cohen, Malia; Chiu, David; Breed, London; Avalos, John; Lee, Mayor  
**Subject:** Educate yourself on e-cigarettes before banning; they are saving lives

Here's a really good study from Drexel University on e-cigarettes. You can draw your own conclusions about whether or NOT they are harmful. You should also realize you have an organic, all natural vendor in your community, Velvet Cloud Vapor, that makes a wonderful product that has helped so many people stop using tobacco. **Ecigs aren't tobacco**, they are distilled water, nicotine, and in this case, an organic flavor. Better even than chewing a piece of Nicorette gum. For some, ecigarettes have been life changing. I know I haven't had a regular cigarette for more than six months because of companies like this. I feel better, I look better, I don't smell and I'm not blowing smoke on people, just water vapor! **Please do your research.** Banning e-cig juice makers would create a black market. These things are the wave of the future, and I truly believe are saving lives. Here's the study:

<http://publichealth.drexel.edu/~media/files/publichealth/ms08.pdf>

Laura Newpoff, Ohio  
614-209-3030



## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Tony Kwan [tk316tony@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 1:21 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Call to Action! San Francisco, California, E-Cigarette Usage Ban

I am a San Francisco State University student and I have lived in San Francisco for 18 years. I have switched from smoking traditional cigarettes to vaping electronic cigarettes and it was one of the best switches that I have ever made in my 21 years of living. I went from being a 2 packs a day smoker to only smoking a couple cigarettes a day. I strongly believe that if you ban the usage of E-cigarettes, then you'll have people competing in the black market selling nicotine, which is already a legalized drug. Do you guys really want incarcerations and non-cancer related deaths caused by the illegal sale of nicotine? Below are some information on the health benefits on electronic cigarette usage.

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- By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks.

For more information, visit: <http://casaa.org/Documents.html>

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**From:** Joseph Fresco [jossifresco@me.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 3:08 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor  
**Cc:** Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban e-cigarettes, please.

I am a California resident and while I strongly support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, I strongly oppose the banning of e-cigarretes use in areas were smoking is prohibited.

I have been a smoker for more than 40 years, and was never able to kick the habit. But thanks to e-cigarettes I have been able to stop smoking completely. I have been off cigarettes from more tan two months now, and my health has dramatically improved.

Please note that smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke (which I agree with), but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.

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**In summary: The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers like me to switch.**

Thank you for your consideration,

Jose Fresco Benaim

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**From:** Dmitri Ivanov [bordelloguy@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 11:33 AM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** re: Ordinance No. 131208

Hello,

My name is Dmitri Ivanov, I live at 605 Webster St, San Francisco, CA, 94117.

I was a tobacco smoker for 20 years and it's been 1 year since i am tobacco free because I switched to e-cigarettes. First I started vaping 18mg of nicotine a day and gradually went down to 0mg of nicotine.

I believe it will unfair if the city of San Francisco will ban vaping on public because what i am doing doesn't hurt anyone.

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- By switching to a smokeless product, people have greatly reduced their health risks.

Please go to [CASAA.org](http://CASAA.org) website, as well as to CASAA Research Library, for more information.

I hope your decision will be based on scientific research and not on pure emotions.

Regards,

Dmitri Ivanov  
Resident of San Francisco

## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Grant Keely [grant.keely@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 4:18 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Feedback On Ordinance No. 131208

Hello,

As frequent visitors to the San Francisco Bay Area, both for business and to visit our many friends and family in the area, my wife and I have been watching the developments surrounding the proposed No. 131208, which would effectively treat electronic cigarettes as real tobacco-composed cigarettes. I have to say, this is a worrying development from my perspective. My wife has been a smoker for many, many years. She has tried many, many times to stop without success. A little over a year ago, she even lost her mother to lung cancer who had a lifetime of smoking under her belt, and even that wasn't a deterrent. It wasn't until I took the initiative to set my wife up with an electronic cigarette kit nearly two years ago that she was able to stop smoking the real thing, and losing her mother provided some very good motivation for her to truly embrace the electronic cigarette as a less harmful alternative. In the time she's been using it, her health has improved considerably. She has more energy, breathes better, hasn't had problems with her blood pressure and just looks and feels better overall (and smells a lot better, too, much to my delight!). So, when I heard about this proposed Ordinance in San Francisco, it truly left me puzzled.

As someone who completely understands and appreciates smoking bans due to the thousands of harmful chemicals and carcinogens in second-hand smoke, I'm struggling to see how the same logic applies to electronic cigarettes. They're rather innocuous and don't contain anything save for some polypropylene glycol or vegetable glycerin, food flavoring and (sometimes) nicotine, all of which are food-grade and approved by the FDA. Heck, polypropylene glycol is even pumped into hospitals and airline circulation systems as a disinfectant as well as being used in many inhalable medications. I have yet to see any evidence at all, and believe me I have looked for it, that electronic cigarettes present any of the harmful health risks to bystanders from second-hand exposure that real cigarettes do.

There has been a fair amount of study done on electronic cigarettes that point to a negligible impact on those who use them let alone those who may be exposed to the vapor from them second hand. Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, have all done extensive research on the subject and found that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor. A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.

Also, I've never seen any electronic cigarette user get mistaken for using the real thing. Some of them may resemble real cigarettes but, in my experience, the vast majority of them do not resemble a real cigarette in any capacity whatsoever. Most of them look like futuristic contraptions of some sort, but not at all like an actual cigarette. The vapor they produce is largely odorless or may smell a bit like a room freshener, but they certainly don't smell like a real, burning cigarette (and that's a huge difference, in that electronic cigarettes don't burn anything while the real thing is a continuous pyre of

smoke until it's extinguished). Because they are largely odorless, I think there is a severe underestimation in just how difficult it would be to enforce a ban on the use of electronic cigarettes and the tax it would have on already overworked police forces in order to attempt to do so. I dare say that, allowing open use of them may actually encourage real smokers to switch to electronic cigarettes, a proven harm reduction method that is much easier on the environment (no second hand smoke, no cigarette butts or ashes littering around or dirtying things up), which could in turn reduce their own health risks and perhaps put less of a tax on our healthcare system.

The other concern I have is that this Ordinance would effectively put many small businesses in the San Francisco area out of business. Vendors who produce juices for local and internet sale as well as small shops that sell these products to the interested public would all be effectively shuttered as a result of this Ordinance. I find such a cavalier attitude about rendering local small businesses unable to do business with so little factual evidence to warrant doing so highly disturbing. I would think a local government would be more concerned about protecting these small startup companies rather than seeking to harm or close them.

There are some good points of reference on this topic that I would urge you to investigate and explore. The first is the Consumer Advocates for Smokefree Alternatives Association website at <http://casaa.org/Documents.html> . Also, these articles would be of interest: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/jacobsullum/2014/02/24/more-vaping-more-smoking-the-implausible-case-against-e-cigarettes/> and <http://www.citywatchla.com/lead-stories-hidden/6503-los-angeles-e-cig-debate-guilt-by-association>.

In closing, I do hope that the decision is made to vote this proposed Ordinance 131208 down. In my mind, it's a solution looking for a problem and putting it into effect will cause more harm than good, causing many people such as my wife who simply haven't been able to stop smoking without the aid of electronic cigarettes, to go back to the real thing, effectively undoing all the progress they may have made with their health by switching to this new alternative. It will put more strain on local police forces and health services, and put good, honest working people out of business.

Thank you for your time,  
Grant Keely  
Meridian, Idaho

## Miller, Alisa

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**From:** Mark Megerle [mark.megerle@icloud.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 7:56 AM  
**To:** Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS)  
**Cc:** Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** E-Cig Ban (A tragic mistake)

Dear Councilmen,

In regards to banning the sale of e-cigs in your city wouldn't it be more prudent to ban the sales of alcohol? How can a liquid that has been proven to destroy livers and kill hundreds of thousands brain cells each time a person uses it be tolerated? Think of how many lives could be saved by stopping drinking and driving, by not allowing alcohol intoxication in the workplace. Alcohol is a drug that has been proven over and over to eat away at the bodies of people and also to be the cause of so many senseless deaths from ingesting a favorite brand of beer, wine, whiskey, among other drinks and then jumping into a car and using that car to simply kill either themselves, other motorists, or pedestrians. Why is this tolerated? Why is there a crusade to crucify e-cigs which have never been proven to cause any disease or to alter the brain's ability to make rational decisions. Why do we allow the public to dictate, not ask, to dictate what we do with regards to a product that has never been proven to cause disease or to alter the ability of a person to think. Who is pushing the USDA to regulate the manufacture and sale of electronic cigarettes? It is the Big Tobacco and Big Pharma conglomerates because they know they have a sure thing that is not harmful and can make billions of dollars for them.

Gentlemen, there is a company in your city named Velvet Cloud Vapor that I use to by the liquid for my electronic cigarette. If it were not for companies like VCV I would be killing myself with real cigarettes. There are many companies on the internet that are legally selling all the base liquid that contains the nicotine that goes into the manufacturing of e-cigs. I have over a gallon of it in my freezer. And it is legal.

Sirs, there are so many reasons why you should NOT prohibit the manufacture and sales of electronic cigarettes. I totally do understand your concern in regards to regulating where it is legal to use an e-cig, especially with all the flak you must be getting from the public and uneducated activist groups. Why do we all here in the USA let small groups decide how we and everyone else live our lives.

I absolutely mean no disrespect to any of you. You have a difficult job that mandates that you play both sides of the fence and this is a most difficult job to be successful at doing. I am only asking you to look at the big picture. Look at all the things we already know cause harm to our bodies and yet we allow it to happen, legally, and instead we question the use of an electronic cigarette which, at the end of the day we must conclude that it saves lives by getting the smoker away from the multitude of carcinogens that kill from smoking cigarettes.

If all of you really want to help your fine city that I have had the pleasure of visiting wouldn't it be more prudent to control the use of a drug like alcohol which we all know kills people in many ways, instead of something we know very little about? There are so many things we should be turning our attention to instead of going on witch hunts to stop something that saves lives. Thank you all for taking the time to read this request.

All the best,

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** deadlyicon@gmail.com on behalf of jared grippe [jared@deadlyicon.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 11:48 AM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Do not ban eCigs in San Francisco

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208

It is import for all of you to know the eCigs are not and should not be treated the same as smoking cigarettes. A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.

The city of San Francisco should be promoting the use of eCigs in place of smoking conventional cigarettes. Please vote for a healthier San Francisco by encouraging smokers to **stop smoking** and switch to the simulated smoke of an eCigs. It's the right choice for smokers and it's the right choice for San Francisco.

Here are some of the benefits of eCigs that you, our representatives, should care about:

- it's healthier
- it bothers the people around much less if at all
- there are no cigarette butts to be thrown on the ground
- less cigarette related injury or illness for Healthy San Francisco to pay the bill for
- less chance of cigarette related fires

All of these benefits lead to a happier and healthier San Francisco. Please vite NO on Ordinance No. 131208 and please work to encourage every smoker to **stop smoking** and choose the healthier option of eCigs.

Thank you

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Jared



**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Andrew Makuch [andrewmakuch16@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 08, 2014 10:56 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Please OPPOSE the E-cigarette Smoking Ban Ordinance 131208

Hello,

I am a California citizen who lives in the bay area. While I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned.

E-cigarettes has changed my life by making me healthier than I have ever been since I started smoking regular tobacco cigarettes. To ban something so positive to public health is astounding to say the least. In fact, e-cigarette use should be ENCOURAGED among regular cigarette smokers, NOT banned. It improves the users health, and the health of the public, and saves millions, if not billions of dollars, in health care costs.

Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.

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By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks.

For more information visit the [CASAA.org](http://CASAA.org) website, as well as the CASAA Research Library.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,  
Andrew Makuch

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Ms Sher P [sheryl.p@sbcglobal.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 07, 2014 5:03 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** ORDINANCE 131208

Vaping has stopped me from smoking tobacco cigarettes. I was smoker for 49 years and have quit since Dec 2013. I am a California citizen and while I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned.

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** andrew thorne [mr.andrew.thorne@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 6:38 PM  
**To:** Mar, Eric (BOS)  
**Cc:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Opposing Ordinance No. 131208

Hello,

I am a citizen of Sunnyvale, in the San Francisco Bay Area, and visit San Francisco frequently. I am writing to voice my concerns in opposition of ordinance No. 131208 for one primary reason: electronic cigarettes, or personal vaporizers as many prefer to call them, are by no means tobacco products. Before I go any further, you should know that I do favor regulation of electronic cigarettes. They should not be sold to minors, and there are certain enclosed public spaces where "vaping" would be appropriately restricted. However, categorizing them as tobacco products threatens a burgeoning and largely independent industry that is bringing a healthy alternative to cigarettes, a product that, despite tremendous legislative restrictions, available cessation remedies, health campaigns, and public awareness, continues to be the leading cause of preventable death worldwide. Electronic cigarettes are providing our society with an out, a way to move past the death and filth of cigarettes. They could very well bring about the end of cigarettes, and legislation regarding them should be handled very carefully.

Regulating electronic cigarettes as tobacco products only supports the real killers, actual tobacco products.

I personally have experienced tremendous health benefits, have successfully been 6 months without a cigarette for the first time in my life, and am lowering my dependence on nicotine slowly, but I will spare you the anecdotal evidence.

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A comprehensive review (<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/18/abstract>) conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure.

Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible.

The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%.

Please consider carefully any legislation which will affect electronic cigarettes, and the small business industry that has grown with their presence. Please diligently research the health findings related to electronic cigarette use. And please, provide regulation as necessary, but not as a tobacco product.

Thank you for listening.

Drew Thorne  
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Sunnyvale, CA  
94086

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** David Goldman [dgoldman@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2014 9:38 AM  
**To:** Mar, Eric (BOS)  
**Cc:** Miller, Alisa  
**Subject:** Do not ban the use of e-cigarettes and vapor pens where tobacco smoking is prohibited

Dear Supervisor Mar:

I am a medical cannabis patient who is a 40-year resident and homeowner in San Francisco. I am writing to you today to urge you not to ban the use of e-cigarettes and smokeless vaporizers where tobacco smoking is prohibited.

Medical marijuana users shouldn't be forced to vaporize outside with smokers. Decisions about e-cigarette use should rightly be made by the parties concerned - landlords and tenants, businesses and employees - not by inflexible government regulations. The fact is that vaporizers protect public health by drastically reducing exposure to harmful smoke toxins. Scientific studies show that vaporizers:

- Eliminate harmful tars, particulates, and carcinogens that are the primary cause of smoking-related disease.
- Do NOT expose bystanders to harmful levels of second-hand toxins (such trace emissions as have been detected are well beneath accepted safe exposure thresholds, no worse than common household odors from kitchen grills, detergents, garden plants or ambient pollution).
- Have been found to be a "safe and effective" method for administering medical marijuana by the California Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research.
- Are an effective harm reduction substitute that has helped countless users give up smoking entirely.

Even if a proposed ordinance were to exempt portable vaporizers used for medical cannabis, it is virtually impossible to distinguish them from portable vaporizers used for ingesting nicotine. How would law enforcement know the difference?

Please reject this proposed ban on e-cigarettes. This is a solution in search of a problem.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Evans, Derek  
**Sent:** Monday, March 03, 2014 11:04 AM  
**To:** Miller, Alisa  
**Cc:** Smith, Derek; Lim, Victor  
**Subject:** FW: District 10 Resident requesting support for Ordinance No. 131208, electronic cigarette restriction

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**From:** Krista Ward [<mailto:kristawd@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 03, 2014 11:08 AM  
**To:** Cohen, Malia  
**Cc:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** District 10 Resident requesting support for Ordinance No. 131208, electronic cigarette restriction

Dear Supervisor Cohen:

As a cancer survivor, mother, and public health professional, I am concerned about the increased use of electronic cigarettes among youth and the risk that these users will become addicted to nicotine and experiment with other nicotine products. The adverse health effects (and subsequent health care costs) from nicotine use are well documented.

This week, I ask you to support the proposed ordinance to amend San Francisco's Health Code to restrict the sale and use of electronic cigarettes.

Thank you,

Krista Ward, DC, MPH

District 10 resident

720 York St #223

San Francisco, CA 94110

415-335-5540

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Two Diamonds [twodiamondssf@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 4:40 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** I Strongly OPPOSE Banning E-Cigarette Use Where Tobacco Use is prohibited

Hello-

I am a citizen of the city of San Francisco, this potential ban was brought to my attention by a small business owner in the city that specializes in vapor products. The proposition that is being made to legislate one substance (nicotine water vapor) by the rules of a different substance (the plant, tobacco) is uninformed, uneducated and harmful to local business owners, and those who would like to make the health choice to leave behind nasty tobacco.

I do support the ban of selling e-cigarettes and any nicotine products to minors. However, as an informed adult, I know that water vapor simply isn't the same as tobacco smoke, and it should not at all be regulated in the same way.

You wouldn't regulate rubbing alcohol the same as bourbon, would you? Then why do it with dry tobacco smoke and water vapor? They're completely different substances with one thing in common.

Secondhand nicotine vapor doesn't contain the same chemicals, infact scientists from Boston University, Drexel University, Roswell Park Cancer Institute, and Health New Zealand, even the FDA have yet to find ANY secondhand concerns in regards to nicotine water vapor.

Personally, I find this to be an affront to the movement to get people off of tobacco, and therefore an irresponsible move by those supposedly in charge of maintaining public health. Vapor has given me the opportunity to break a decade long tobacco habit, it has made me healthier. Without these products, I'd either be on a harmful pill, trying to quit, or more likely still smoking.

These measures would make nicotine vapor products likely more expensive and/or harder to find, thus increasing my, and I imagine many other San Franciscans, more likely return to tobacco, raising health concerns and costs.

Please don't allow this measure to pass with restrictions that inflict on the ability of small business to sell these products to adults, or legislate one substance with rules of a totally different substance. There's no scientific reason to do so, and I believe it would harm local businesspeople and former smoking residents of San Francisco if it were to pass.

Sincerely,  
Kathryn

P.S. For more information please visit the Consumer Advocates for Smokefree Alternatives Associations information library: <http://casaa.org/Documents.html>

**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Jerry Sellari [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 5:42 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear Derek Evans,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 I'm a San Francisco resident, and I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, but I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned. The content of e-cigarette vapor is identical to the haze from nightclub smoke machines! • Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products. • The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor. • A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. • Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible. • The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%. By switching to a smokeless product, you have greatly reduced your health risks. • Many people are steadily switched from toxic and terrible traditional cigarettes to vapor-based e-cigarettes. Please don't put obstacles in the way of our friends' and family's health! For more information: <http://blog.casaa.org/2014/02/call-to-action-san-francisco-california.html>

Sincerely,  
Jerry Sellari San Francisco, California

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There are now 16 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Jared Grippe by clicking here:

<http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco/responses/new?response=dd3bf7af4013>





**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** debra cleaver [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 7:42 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Roberta Gibson [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 10:57 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**From:** Dena Rod [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 11:28 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**From:** C [car2959@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 8:29 AM  
**To:** Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors; Lee, Mayor  
**Subject:** Ecig ban is a mistake

I understand you think it is a terrible habit for kids to start and I would agree. But ecigarettes have possibly saved my life and they are unharmed to those around you. I have been using them for around 3 years. I no longer smoke cigarettes!

I don't know if it is out of ignorance or because people in authority rather have its citizens smoke analog cigarettes, but it doesn't really matter. It is time to stop the attack on smokers and vapers.

I am a Californian, and I have a right to smoke or to vape. And that right doesn't infringe on others.

I am sure you probably have more pressing matter, anyhow. Like an out of control budget, maybe?

Please leave the citizens alone when it comes to their health decisions. It is up to them. Not you.

Thanks,

Carie Jones

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**From:** Jonathan Perri [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 10:38 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**From:** David Remahl [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 5:32 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 5:59 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**From:** Sam Putman [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 6:25 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Bryce Hidysmith [mailto:mail@changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 7:16 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 9:56 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 10:37 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Jennifer Tsan San Francisco, California

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** keith herrington [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 12:21 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Sami Zerrade [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 12:26 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**Miller, Alisa**

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**From:** Danielle Dunker [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 12:33 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 11:55 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**From:** Joel Girard [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 03, 2014 12:23 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors  
**Subject:** File 131208: New petition to you: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Jared Grippe [mailto:mail@changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:07 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** New petition to you: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

Jared Grippe started a petition "Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco" targeting you on Change.org that's starting to pick up steam.

Change.org is the world's largest petition platform that gives anyone, anywhere the tools they need to start, join and win campaigns for change. Change.org never starts petitions on our own -- petitions on the website, like "Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco", are started by users.

While "Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco" is active, you'll receive an email each time a signer leaves a comment explaining why he or she is signing. You'll also receive periodic updates about the petition's status.

Here's what you can do right now to resolve the petition:

- Review the petition. Here's a link:
  - <http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco>
- See the 5 signers and their reasons for signing on the petition page.
- Respond to the petition creator by sending a message here:
  - <http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco/responses/new?response=d25e3858801f>

Sincerely,  
Change.org

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**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Liz Williams [liz.williams@no-smoke.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 3:45 PM  
**To:** Mar, Eric (BOS); Evans, Derek  
**Cc:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Campos, David; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Yee, Norman (BOS)  
**Subject:** letter of support for e-cigarette proposal  
**Attachments:** Letter to San Francisco BOS\_02.28.14.pdf

Hello,

Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights would like to submit the attached letter of support for San Francisco's proposal to prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in smokefree spaces.

Additionally, we'd like to submit the following two documents:

Electronic Cigarettes and Secondhand Aerosol  
<http://www.no-smoke.org/pdf/ecigarette-secondhand-aerosol.pdf>

U.S. State and Local Laws Regulating Use of Electronic Cigarettes  
<http://www.no-smoke.org/pdf/ecigslaws.pdf>

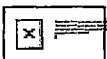
Thank you,  
Liz Williams

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**Show your support for smokefree air** by putting a static-cling decal in your window at work, home, or the car. To purchase, visit: <http://www.no-smoke.org/aboutus.php?id=440>.



February 28, 2014

Supervisor Eric Mar  
Vice-Chair of Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

cc: Honorable Mayor Ed Lee and Supervisors

Dear Supervisor Mar,

On behalf of our members in San Francisco, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights encourages the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to prohibit the use of electronic cigarettes (or e-cigarettes) and other electronic nicotine delivery devices in smokefree venues, where workers and patron will be exposed to the secondhand aerosol they emit.

E-cigarette companies and proponents claim that the aerosol emitted is completely harmless and only contains "water vapor." However, recent research on the constituents of e-cigarettes shows that the aerosol emitted into the air contains lead, chromium, nickel, and other metals, as well as silicate particles and nicotine, so while some may believe the product is "safer," use of the product certainly isn't harmless or risk-free (see attached fact sheet). Although e-cigarettes contribute less to indoor air pollution than tobacco cigarettes, they are not emission-free.

San Francisco would be in good company in prohibiting the use of e-cigarettes in enclosed public places and workplaces, including restaurants and bars. Currently, more than 100 municipalities and three states include e-cigarettes as products prohibited for use in smokefree environments, and New York City and Chicago will implement similar laws at the end of April. We would love to add San Francisco to that list. Other California cities are now or will soon consider this same issue, including Los Angeles and San Diego.

Electronic nicotine delivery devices heat and vaporize a solution containing nicotine and are often designed to mimic the look and feel of a real cigarette. They come in a variety of flavors and nicotine levels, all claiming to be a safer alternative to smoking cigarettes.

Electronic nicotine delivery devices are currently unregulated, which leaves a great deal of unknowns not only about potential health risks to the user (and non-user exposed to the secondhand aerosol), but also about product manufacturing quality and safety. The burden of proof should rest on the manufacturers to demonstrate that their products are safe. While the FDA can and should regulate the production of e-cigarettes, cities and states can and are enacting laws that regulate when and where e-cigarettes can be used, along with laws that regulate sales to minors and where the product can be sold.

While research shows that the levels of toxins in e-cigarette aerosol are lower than in tobacco smoke, the levels are *higher* than what are found in FDA-approved nicotine inhalers, and there is evidence that at least 10 chemicals identified in the aerosol are on the California Prop 65 list of dangerous carcinogens and reproductive toxins, including Acetaldehyde, Benzene, Cadmium, Formaldehyde, Isoprene, Lead, Nickel, Nicotine, N-Nitrosornicotine, and Toluene.

E-cigarette proponents argue that e-cigarettes are safer, healthier, and help people quit tobacco smoking. It may be true that e-cigarettes, in general, are less polluting than tobacco cigarettes, but e-cigarette still emit pollutants and toxins into the air. Given the current science base, we should take the precautionary approach and ensure individuals are not exposed to the secondhand aerosol in smokefree environments.

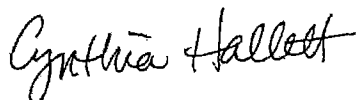
E-cigarette manufacturers and proponents are using unrestrained marketing tactics, especially aimed at young adults via online media, to normalize product use and to promote e-cigarettes as a "safe" alternative to smoking and as an easy way to quit smoking. There is also a concerted effort by e-cigarette companies and proponents to prevent regulation of the product, and now that the three major U.S. tobacco companies—Altria, RJ Reynolds, and Lorillard—have bought or developed e-cigarette brands, we expect to see even more aggressive and deceptive marketing and lobbying. For instance, Los Angeles radio stations are airing ads by Blu E-cigarettes, owned by Lorillard Tobacco Company, and Vuse E-cigarettes, an RJ Reynolds product, asking people to attend their City Council hearing to oppose the proposed ordinance.

The City of San Francisco has the opportunity to protect public health from exposure to secondhand aerosol. We have enough science to make an intelligent decision that secondhand aerosol is not harmless, and that it is a new source of air pollution that contains ultrafine particles, toxicants, and carcinogens.

Given these facts, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights urges the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to prohibit the use of e-cigarettes and other electronic nicotine delivery devices in all smokefree places and workplaces, at all times, without exception.

Thank you for your leadership and desire to make San Francisco the best place to live, work, and visit. Please feel free to contact me at 510-841-3045 if you have any questions, comments, or feedback.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Hallett, MPH  
Executive Director

Attachments: Electronic Cigarettes and Secondhand Aerosol fact sheet  
List of Cities and States with e-cigarette laws

*Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights is a national, member-based, not-for-profit organization based in Berkeley, CA that is dedicated to helping nonsmokers breathe smokefree air since 1976.*

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Greg Porter [gregoryaporter@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 3:27 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Banning Vaping is just plain uninformed nonsense

As a citizen, I am thrilled to see that vaping has taken root and is reducing the use of cigarettes in public spaces and in private among my friends.

Please take my informed view into consideration:

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Please see the CASAA.org website, as well as the CASAA Research Library, for more information.

Greg Porter



File 131 208

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**From:** Chris Ory [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 11:54 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 It is import for all of you to know the eCigs are not and should not be treated the same as smoking cigarettes. A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. The city of San Francisco should be promoting the use of eCigs in place of smoking conventional cigarettes. Please vote for a healthier San Francisco by encouraging smokers to stop smoking and switch to the simulated smoke of an eCigs. It's the right choice for smokers and it's the right choice for San Francisco. Here are some of the benefits of eCigs that you, our representatives, should care about: it's healthier it bothers the people around much less if at all there are no cigarette butts to be thrown on the ground less cigarette related injury or illness for Healthy San Francisco to pay the bill for less chance of cigarette related fires All of these benefits lead to a happier and healthier San Francisco. Please vite NO on Ordinance No. 131208 and please work to encourage every smoker to stop smoking and choose the healthier option of eCigs.

Sincerely,  
Chris Ory alameda, California

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**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:00 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Ian Baker San Francisco, California

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**From:** Rebecca Pier [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:00 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Pier San Francisco, California

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**From:** nicole aptekar [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:04 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
nicole aptekar san francisco, California

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**From:** Micah Scott [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:07 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

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Sincerely,  
Micah Scott San Francisco, California

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**From:** Melissa Piercey [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:18 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

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Sincerely,  
Melissa Piercey San Francisco, California

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**From:** Alain Bloch [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:21 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
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**From:** Christina Jenkins [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:29 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear SF Board of Supervisors,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

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Sincerely,  
Christina Jenkins Berkeley, California

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**From:** Sean Williams [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:34 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Sean Williams Fremont, California

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**From:** Jason Kelly [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:46 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Jason Kelly San Francisco, California

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**From:** Eric Nicholas [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:47 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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Sincerely,  
Eric Nicholas San Francisco, California

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**From:** Whitney Moses [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:48 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Whitney Moses San Francisco, California

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**From:** Sam Selfridge [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 1:17 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Sincerely,  
Sam Selfridge CARPINTERIA, California

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**From:** Reed Kennedy [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 2:25 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Jerry Sellari [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 5:42 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Roberta Gibson [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 10:57 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Dena Rod [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 11:28 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Jonathan Perri [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 10:38 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Meliza Gough [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 5:59 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Sam Putman [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 6:25 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Bryce Hidysmith [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 7:16 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 12:21 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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**Sent:** Friday, February 28, 2014 12:26 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
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Sincerely,  
James Allen Jr San Francisco, California

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**From:** Nicole Maron [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 10:37 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Leslie Chicoine [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 11:39 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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Leslie Chicoine SF, California

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors  
**Subject:** File 131208: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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**From:** Lee Dotson [mailto:mail@changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 3:39 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Jared Grippe [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 12:07 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** New petition to you: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear Derek Evans,

Jared Grippe started a petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" targeting you on Change.org that's starting to pick up steam.

Change.org is the world's largest petition platform that gives anyone, anywhere the tools they need to start, join and win campaigns for change. Change.org never starts petitions on our own -- petitions on the website, like "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)", are started by users.

While "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" is active, you'll receive an email each time a signer leaves a comment explaining why he or she is signing. You'll also receive periodic updates about the petition's status.

Here's what you can do right now to resolve the petition:

- Review the petition. Here's a link:
  - <http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco>
- See the 5 signers and their reasons for signing on the petition page.
- Respond to the petition creator by sending a message here:
  - <http://www.change.org/petitions/edwin-m-lee-don-t-ban-ecigs-in-san-francisco/responses/new?response=dd3bf7af4013>

Sincerely,  
Change.org

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There are now 5 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Jared Grippe by clicking here:

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**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Chris Ory [mailto:changemail.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 11:54 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco

Dear Derek Evans,

I just signed Jared Grippe's petition "[Edwin M. Lee: Don't ban eCigs in San Francisco](#)" on Change.org.

I urge all of you to vote NO on Ordinance No. 131208 It is import for all of you to know the eCigs are not and should not be treated the same as smoking cigarettes. A comprehensive review conducted by Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University School of Public Health based on over 9,000 observations of e-cigarette liquid and vapor found "no apparent concern" for bystanders exposed to e-cigarette vapor, even under "worst case" assumptions about exposure. The city of San Francisco should be promoting the use of eCigs in place of smoking conventional cigarettes. Please vote for a healthier San Francisco by encouraging smokers to stop smoking and switch to the simulated smoke of an eCigs. It's the right choice for smokers and it's the right choice for San Francisco. Here are some of the benefits of eCigs that you, our representatives, should care about: it's healthier it bothers the people around much less if at all there are no cigarette butts to be thrown on the ground less cigarette related injury or illness for Healthy San Francisco to pay the bill for less chance of cigarette related fires All of these benefits lead to a happier and healthier San Francisco. Please vite NO on Ordinance No. 131208 and please work to encourage every smoker to stop smoking and choose the healthier option of eCigs.

Sincerely,  
Chris Ory alameda, California

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors  
**Subject:** File 131208: no e-cigarettes in San Francisco smokefree environments!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [jpk@rawbw.com](mailto:jpk@rawbw.com) [mailto:[jpk@rawbw.com](mailto:jpk@rawbw.com)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2014 5:27 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** no e-cigarettes in San Francisco smokefree environments!

I am writing to urge you to support a STRONG ordinance that prohibit the use of e-cigarettes at ALL times and in ALL venues that are required to be smokefree, without exemptions.

If e-cigarette users want to vape, that's their decision.  
They do not have the right to force others to breathe in the emissions.

And the facts are compelling: e-cigarettes do NOT just emit "harmless water vapor."  
Secondhand e-cigarette aerosol contains nicotine, ultrafine particles, and measureable levels of toxins that cause cancer. There is no reason to force anyone to breathe this in.

And: we do not know the long-term health effects.  
With secondhand smoke, we did not act for decades, we waited until a mountain of evidence arrived, and as a result THOUSAND OF PEOPLE DIED while we waited.  
his time let's act now. The evidence we already have is compelling: this product puts toxics into the air. There is no reason to force others to breathe it in. And there's no reason to wait.

And let's be clear who we're fighting here: the tobacco industry.  
Yes, the same tobacco industry that fought San Francisco's smokefree laws, that sued the city, that fought to keep America smoking, is now trying to bring back a kind of smoking tto workplaces and public places so as to weaken the laws we have enacted and endanger the health of nonsmokers.

And: this is NOT a ban. No one would be stopped from using e-cigarettes. This would simply protect clean air in otherwise smokefree places. This simply applies the same rules as for cigarettes. Smokers have gotten used to those rules. So can e-cigarette users.

I work in, shop, dine, visit, and love San San Francisco.

I urge you to support a STRONG ordinance that prohibit the use of e-cigarettes at ALL times and in ALL venues that are required to be smokefree, without exemptions.

Thank you,

Jonathan Krueger

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Delos Reyes, Ma Elloi Glenn T. [MGDeLosReyes@mednet.ucla.edu] on behalf of Ong, Michael M.D. [MOng@mednet.ucla.edu]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 9:45 AM  
**To:** Yee, Norman (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS)  
**Cc:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors; Simpson, Alexandria (CPDH-CDIC-TCS); Smith, Derek; Ong, Michael M.D.  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for the Regulation of E-Cigarettes in the City of San Francisco  
**Attachments:** TEROC Letter to City of SF.PDF

Dear all,

Please see attached TEROC's Letter of Support for the Regulation of E-Cigarettes in the City of San Francisco.

Best,

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**From:** Board of Supervisors  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 4:59 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors; Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** File 131208: Letter of Support for the Regulation of E-Cigarettes in the City of San Francisco  
**Attachments:** TEROC Letter to City of SF.PDF

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**From:** Delos Reyes, Ma Elloi Glenn T. [mailto:MGDeLosReyes@mednet.ucla.edu] **On Behalf Of** Ong, Michael M.D.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 4:12 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Cc:** Ong, Michael M.D.; Simpson, Alexandria (CPDH-CDIC-TCS); Smith, Derek  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for the Regulation of E-Cigarettes in the City of San Francisco

Dear Supervisor Campos,

Please see attached Letter of Support for the Regulation of E-Cigarettes in the City of San Francisco.

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February 20, 2014

Supervisor David Campos  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
City Hall, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Re: Letter of Support for the Regulation of E-Cigarettes in the City of  
San Francisco

Dear Supervisor Campos:

The Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee (TEROC) is a legislatively mandated oversight committee (California Health and Safety Code Sections 104365-104370) that monitors the use of Proposition 99 tobacco tax revenues for tobacco control, prevention education, and tobacco-related research in California. In performing this mandate, the Committee provides advice to the California Department of Public Health, the University of California, and the California Department of Education regarding the administration of the Proposition 99-funded programs. The Committee is also responsible for periodically producing a state master plan for tobacco control and tobacco-related research, and making recommendations to the State Legislature for improving tobacco control and tobacco-related research efforts in California.

TEROC supports the proposed ordinance that would regulate electronic cigarette (e-cigarette) sales by requiring vendors to obtain a Tobacco Retailer's License from the City, disallow sale of the product where cigarettes cannot be sold, and disallow the use of e-cigarettes wherever cigarettes cannot presently be smoked. This proposed ordinance is consistent with TEROC's official position on e-cigarettes, adopted at the Committee's May 22, 2013 meeting, which states:

***"TEROC opposes the use of e-cigarettes in all areas where other tobacco products are banned."***

In addition, this proposed ordinance is consistent with the laws enacted by 61 other California cities and counties that regulate the sale of e-cigarettes the same as other tobacco products and 44 cities and counties who prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in some outdoor areas, some indoor areas, or both, by including e-cigarettes in their existing smoke-free laws.

David Campos  
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Smoke-free policies protect nonsmokers from exposure to toxins and encourage smoking cessation. Introducing e-cigarettes into clean air environments reinforces the act of smoking as socially acceptable, and makes enforcement of existing laws that protect the public from secondhand smoke difficult due to the similarities with cigarettes. Early data has shown that e-cigarette emissions can contain carcinogens and toxic chemicals, which may result in additional potential harm to the public.

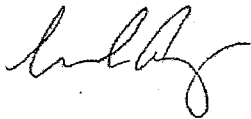
According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the percentage of U.S. middle and high school students who used e-cigarettes more than doubled from 2011 to 2012, from 4.7 percent to 10.0 percent. In 2012, more than 1.78 million middle and high school students nationwide had tried e-cigarettes. The CDC study also found that 76.3 percent of middle and high school students who used e-cigarettes in the last 30 days had also smoked cigarettes. With emerging tobacco products like e-cigarettes on the rise, this vulnerable population needs protection from exposure to these products.

For these reasons, TEROC supports the City of San Francisco in its efforts to regulate e-cigarette sales and use anywhere smoking is currently prohibited.

If you have any questions regarding this subject, please do not hesitate to contact me at [MOng@Mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:MOng@Mednet.ucla.edu).

Sincerely,

Sincerely,



Michael Ong, M.D., Ph.D.  
Chairperson

cc: Supervisor Eric Mar  
Supervisor Norman Yee

**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Cristina Lindow [cristina.lindow@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 2:29 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** I do not support Ordinance No. 131208

I am a San Francisco resident and while I support banning sales of e-cigarettes to minors, I OPPOSE banning e-cigarette use where smoking is banned.

I have finally been able to quit smoking after 16 years of being a pack a day smoker by switching to smoke free e cigarettes. My sister and brother in law have also quit smoking by using these smokeless nicotine products. I have tried patches, gum, medication, meditation, everything, and this is the only product that has worked for me.

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By switching to a smokeless product, I have greatly reduced my health risks, and I think it is a mistake to ban these products.

Please visit the CASAA.org website, as well as the [CASAA Research Library](#), for more information.

Sincerely,

Cristina Lindow

**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Serena Chen [Serena.Chen@lung.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 2:20 PM  
**To:** Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS)  
**Cc:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Regulating Electronic Smoking Devices and their Emissions  
**Attachments:** LOS San Francisco\_E-cig 2.25.14.pdf

Dear Supervisors Campos, Yee, and Mar:

Attached please find the American Lung Association in California's letter of support for legislation that will restrict the sale of electronic smoking devices and restrictions on their use in public.

*Serena*

**Serena Chen** | Regional Advocacy Director  
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February 25, 2014

The Honorable Eric Mar, Member,  
Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisor Mar:

The American Lung Association in California supports the San Francisco Board of Supervisors' action to protect the public health of San Francisco residents by including electronic cigarettes in its tobacco retailer permit and smokefree air laws.

The American Lung Association is concerned that very little is known about the health effects of electronic cigarettes and of the vapors that they release, or what the health consequences of them might be. Two initial studies have found formaldehyde, benzene and tobacco-specific nitrosamines (a cancer-causing chemical) coming from the secondhand emissions from e-cigarettes. While we have a lot more to learn about these products, it's clear that there is much to be concerned about and there's a lot more than just "water vapor" in these products. In addition, it is important to note that e-cigarettes have not been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to be safe and effective in helping smokers quit cigarettes.

And finally, it's worth highlighting that the e-cigarette industry appears to be using the same playbook as the cigarette companies did a generation ago. We are deeply concerned that these products are starting kids on a lifetime addiction to nicotine. According to one researcher, there are more than 250 e-cigarette brands for sale today, over half of which offered fruit or candy-flavors. We've seen candy-flavors including Captain Crunch, gummy bear, cotton candy, Atomic Fireball and fruit loops.

It is critical for communities to remain on the cutting edge in protecting their residents from new and emerging tobacco products, and this law does just that. We applaud San Francisco for taking this important action to protect public health.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Amazeen  
Vice President, Programs & Advocacy

Cc: Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Derek Evans, Clerk, Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee

Evans, Derek

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From: nancy francine [bcnapala@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2014 1:43 PM  
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Subject: International Rothschild Jewry: The New Hitler's of the 21st Century

*March 1st, 2014*

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*International Rothschild Jewry: The New Hitler's of the 21st Century*

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*The International JEWISH Rothschild Banking Cartel, headquartered in the CITY of London, United Kingdom, is the new Nazi Germany of our time. International Rothschild Jewry have become the new Hitler's of the 21st Century.*

*The International Rothschild Empire owns and controls the vast majority of the world's wealth- both in financial and in resource terms. Their primary currency is GOLD. It has been estimated that they collectively own and control over one half of the world's gold supply, estimated to be at over \$500 TRILLION US dollars.*

*This Global Fascist Banking Cartel is evil, ruthless and diabolical to its very core and is using every means at its command today to procure wealth, power and authority solely unto itself.*

*They own and control the global media, the global militaries, the global intelligence agencies, the global agricultural institutions, the global pharmaceutical industries, the global political establishments, the global religious institutions, the global development establishments, the global land, mineral and water resources and a majority of the world's nations through their nationwide network of centralized banks.*

*Their primary goal today is to REDUCE the world's population with global eugenics/depopulation campaigns aimed at eliminating over 5 BILLION of the world's citizens.*

*There are a number of ways they are accomplishing this goal. Their primary global depopulation/eugenics operation is Global Climate Change. By purposely NOT solving this threat with alternative/free energy systems and continuing forward with an antiquated and highly polluting hydrocarbon economy, they are condemning present and future generations to a world of drastic food, water and land shortages as the planet rapidly warms. This will, in turn, destroy the lives of countless BILLIONS throughout the world in the fullness of time.*

*Another way they are accomplishing this goal is with PURPOSEFUL underdevelopment policies and strategies (primarily in the 3rd world) which ALREADY takes the lives of up to 40 MILLION innocent men, women and children every year through hunger, starvation, disease and malnutrition (that's over 6 jewish holocausts annually). The only term that can possibly describe this mass level of global genocide is: THE GREAT HOLOCAUST.*

*Wars, the propagation of GMO (genetically modified) food, fluoridated water, vaccines, radiation releases and purposely engineered famines, pestilences, pandemics and diseases are other diversified ways they are carrying out their pro-DEATH agenda worldwide amongst the peoples and nations of the world.*

*The International Jewish Rothschild Banking Cartel promotes an international permanent war economy and*

*is itself nothing short of an international war crimes racketeering syndicate. It is the most vicious and ruthless empire that has ever arisen in the history of the world. This insidiously evil, wicked and diabolical force in world affairs has been responsible for the deaths of billions of human beings in the past and is setting itself up to be responsible for the deaths of billions more in the future if they are not stopped. The Rothschild Jews are quickly becoming the GREATEST mass murderers in all of human history.*

*As such, the International Jewish Rothschild Banking Cartel has turned itself into the SUPREME enemy of Mankind, as well as becoming the SUPREME enemy of all other LIFE on Earth.*

*Runaway Global Climate Change has ALREADY resulting in a "locked-in" 5-10 degree Fahrenheit increase in global temperatures by 2100. This increase, by all accounts, will prove to be absolutely CATASTROPHIC for the health, well-being and survivability of the human enterprise on into the foreseeable future.*

*Massive radiation releases into the global environment through the use of Depleted Uranium (DU) munitions, nuclear power plants leaks and nuclear reactor complex disasters such as at Fukushima, Japan, are slated to KILL life for generations to come as the lethality of this radioactivity quickly moves into the genetic gene pool of all life on Earth in the years and decades to come. DU has a half life of 3.5 BILLION years, which means it will go on killing life for literally, time immemorial.*

*Recognizing these threats to our survival and continuity as a species, it is high time to forcibly REMOVE, PUNISH and EXTERMINATE those who bear prime responsibility for this calculated, cold blooded global and inter-generational genocide: International Rothschild Jewry. As it was right and proper to remove Hitler and destroy the German 3rd Reich during World War 2, so it is high time to remove and destroy the Jewish "Nazi" 4th Reich today.*

*I hereby issue a clarion call to all freedom fighters and defenders of life, liberty and justice worldwide to use any and all means available to wipe this Jewish Rothschild scourge from off the face of this planet for all time. Let us never forget that it was the Rothschild Jew who was primarily responsible for funding the Nazi 3rd Reich, who were primarily responsible for killing 6 million Jews during World War 2. These are the people that funded International Communism through Marx, Trotsky and Stalin that ended up killing over 60 million of their fellow Russian citizens. These are the people who funded Mao, who ended up killing tens of millions of his own people in Indo-China. And the list goes on...*

*With the Jewish Holocaust of World War 2 (which the Rothschild Jew funded and directed), they think has bought themselves immunity from world scrutiny and blame for the atrocities they are committing today (as they have diabolically planned all along). Wrong. They have only reinforced the diabolical nature of who and what they really are: supreme agents of the Devil. It is none other than LUCIFER himself who the Jewish Rothschild Empire serves. In all truth, they are become the SYNAGOGUE of SATAN.*

*Let us pray for the DAY that comes quickly when the Kingdom of Heaven returns in FIRE, VENGEANCE and in GREAT GLORY to completely overthrow this wicked world and forcibly cast into HELL all the servants of the Devil who now abound on this planet. May our Heavenly Father completely RID the world of both evil man and fallen angel and give them ALL a fate "worse than death" for their crimes on the Great Day of Heavenly Judgement.*

*Selah  
Amen  
Inshallah*

**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Joanne at Sunset Vapors [joanne@sunsetvaporsnc.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 12:09 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Please do not ban e-cigarettes

So many of our customers have thanked us for providing these products. They have helped hundreds of people quit smoking cigarettes and many more quit every day.

Please don't ban them. Why not let businesses decide if they're "vape friendly" or not?

Thank you,  
Joanne VanderWeide  
Owner  
Sunset Vapors  
Asheboro, North Carolina

**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** ubuntu**is**better@gmail.com on behalf of Caz Abbott [quiklives@gmail.com]  
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**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Proposed ban of electronic cigarettes

Mayor and Board of Directors,

I am a current California resident, in the process of moving to San Francisco in a month. I am also an electronic cigarette user.

I fully support banning sales of electronic cigarettes to minors, and if you look into it, you will find that all of the respectable vendors of the products already take measures to ensure that they do not sell to minors.

I do not, however, support banning usage of these products throughout an entire city.

I smoked a pack of cigarettes a day for 17 years, beginning when I was a 13 year old kid. I tried to quit many times, while watching my health decline - my lung function declined, I gained weight, and I knew I needed to quit, but I couldn't.

I did quit, finally, when I bought my first electronic cigarette, December 10, 2012. Since then, I have reduced the nicotine content of the liquid I use from 18 mg/ml to 3 mg/ml. I feel better, I am able to walk up a flight of stairs without being out of breath when I reach the top. I have taken up hiking. I've lost over 50 pounds in the last year. I would have continued smoking until it killed me, if it hadn't been for these products.

There is a wealth of studies available demonstrating the relative safety of these products as compared to smoking. I understand that we do not yet have long term studies, but there can be little doubt that they are significantly safer than cigarettes.

This is a link with a list of various studies that have been done thus far, and their results, consistently confirming that electronic cigarettes present little danger if any at all: <http://onvaping.com/the-ultimate-list-of-studies-on-e-cigarettes-and-their-safety/>

I hope you will consider NOT passing this ban.

Thank you,  
Caz Abbott

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Pat Meyer [plmeyer@mail.sdsu.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 12:40 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Health Code - Restrictions on Sale and Use of Electronic Cigarettes

Mr. Mayor and Honorable Board Members,

As a former San Franciscan, I cannot sit idly by without commenting on what I have learned is an upcoming agenda item for the Neighborhood Services and Safety Committee.

I have read the proposed modifications to San Francisco's Health Code. I understand amending the existing smoking ordinance to include the ban of electronic cigarettes is multifaceted and complicated and appreciate the Board's concerns. That said, here is my perspective.

I used e-cigs cigarettes to replace smoking more than a pack a day for almost 40 years almost 3 years ago. I'm a responsible adult that continues to "vape" a significantly reduced amount of nicotine instead. Needs formerly satisfied by smoking are fulfilled. I'm much healthier as a result - no daily hacking, coughing, chronic bronchitis, etc. Vaping eliminates almost every negative aspect of smoking, while restoring my perceived benefits. I am such an advocate that I volunteer with a local e-cig/e-liquid vendor (we do NOT sell to minors), educating smokers on vaping advantages. Over the last year I've assisted hundreds of adults to successfully replace smoking with vaping. After transitioning, vapers can choose to lower their nicotine level & often even quit altogether.

I wish to address misconceptions regarding potential risks. I donate time with a vendor who makes e-liquid from scratch using three basic food-grade ingredients: propylene glycol, vegetable glycerin, & flavor extracts (usually organic). Nicotine can also be added, mimicking levels in cigarettes. I believe many opponents cherry-pick electronic cigarette study results, then exaggerate reports of "harmful particles of metal components" in an attempt to force excessive regulation by omitting the fact that these measurements were "trace amounts". I'm convinced that most attempts to restrict electronic cigarette use are motivated less by sincere concerns for consumer health & safety than by a flailing tobacco industry hemorrhaging customers and municipalities desperate to increase tax revenues and/or avoid loss of anti-tobacco funding. I'm supportive of quality specifications for e-liquids but equating them with tobacco products is overkill. I include a link to the Consumer Advocates for Smoke-free Alternatives Association (CASAA), an organization dedicated to supporting tobacco harm reduction policies. CASAA's research library will assist you to better understand the issues and help sort out the many misconceptions about the health risks <http://casaa.org/Documents.html>.

Nicotine sales are already regulated and I believe these laws should not only be more effectively enforced but also expanded to include vaping hardware and nicotine-free e-liquids to keep them out of the hands of minors. The argument that "child-friendly" flavors are targeted toward children makes little sense. E-liquids are created by and for adults who enjoy the taste and aroma of fruits, baked goods, candies, etc. While I applaud efforts to de-glamorize smoking (and vaping), I also know realistically, persistent minors will find avenues. I started smoking as a young teenager and recall many devious ways I obtained cigarettes. No matter the age of the user, no one argues vaping isn't significantly healthier than inhaling burning tobacco. I've personally witnessed parents buying vaporizers for their children, in hopes their kids will quit (or never start) smoking cigarettes or hookahs.

While I'm convinced there is virtually no health risk to adjacent parties, I only vape indoors with the explicit permission of the people around me. A simple explanation that the exhaled vapor contains only a trace amount of nicotine usually relieves their concerns (plus the vapor smells nice).

For myself – I ENJOY VAPING! I started smoking in an era when it was a social activity & endured the evolutions that turned smokers into pariahs. Utilizing a new technology that works, I'm now healthier. I (& my clothes, house, car, etc.) don't stink. I'm active in a communally spirited sub-culture proud that we no longer endanger anyone else's well-being. Why would anyone want to deny these enhancements and take such punitive action against hundreds of thousands of ex-smokers? Please don't make us personae non gratae yet again!

I hope for an educated decision based on facts & ultimately the best outcome for all.

Respectfully,

Pat Meyer

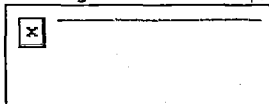
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**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Carranza, Richard [RichardCarranza@sfusd.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 25, 2014 11:23 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** City Ordinance Support Request

February 25, 2014

Dear Clerk Evans,

School Health Programs Office of San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) would like to strongly encourage you to support the proposed city ordinance regarding e-cigarettes. We know how tempting these devices can be to our young people, and by supporting this ordinance you can take a strong stand against future addiction and in support of the health of all the citizens of San Francisco, especially our youth. This ordinance would prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in all areas where cigarettes are prohibited by state law. This includes day care facilities, public buildings, retail food facilities and health facilities. *Since the proposal would limit e-cigs where state and local law prohibits, that also includes school buildings and applies to all students, staff, visitors, and civic use permit holders.* It would extend the prohibitions on the advertising of tobacco products to include the advertising of e-cigarettes.

Many people are not aware of the dangers of e-cigarettes but we must emphasize the products can be addictive, just as with tobacco cigarettes, and they are being marketed to youth. Philip Morris, R.J. Reynolds and Lorillard have invested heavily and the use of ENDS (electronic nicotine delivery systems) has doubled from 2011-2012.

In fact, according to Stanton Glantz, director of the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education at UC San Francisco, the actual evidence is that e-cigarettes are associated with less quitting cigarettes among both adults and adolescents. Second hand 'vaping,' like second-hand smoke, is also harmful. According to Glantz, this new study means that in heavy density 'vaping' areas such as bars or casinos e-cigarette use would create pollution levels 5-10 times what is considered acceptable.

There are also other toxic chemicals in the vapor as well as ultrafine particles that likely have cardiovascular effects. At least 10 compounds that are on the Proposition 65 list of chemicals known to cause cancer have already been identified in mainstream or secondhand (side-stream) e-cigarette vapor.

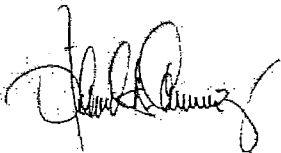
Many districts are including prohibiting the devices in tobacco-free campus policies, including the following Bay Area Boards of Education: Contra Costa, Alameda, Berkeley, Antioch, Castro Valley, New Haven, and San Ramon. It is my intent as the Superintendent of the SFUSD to amend the present tobacco-free policy to address the impact of the e-cigarettes by the end of this school year.

As tobacco-control advocates, we are working hard to stem the increasing popularity of e-cigarettes for multiple reasons:

1. *The simple truth is that 'vaping' doesn't just produce harmless water vapor.*
2. *Nicotine isn't a harmless high even if the smoke from burning plant matter is eliminated.*
3. *Nicotine by itself contributes to vapors' higher risk of developing atherosclerosis, the primary cause of heart attacks.*

With all of this in mind and for the safety of our citizens and youth, I strongly urge you to endorse this city ordinance to prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in all areas where cigarettes are prohibited by state law.

Sincerely,



Richard A. Carranza  
Superintendent

Richard A. Carranza



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## Evans, Derek

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**Subject:** E-Cigarette Usage Ban - Ordinance No. 131208

I am a California citizen, I have friends who live in San Francisco and so I spend a lot of time visiting there. W

E-cigarettes have changed my life. I know that without them, my physical wellness would be much worse. My lung capacity has increased and I get much more out of my workouts now. I can also tell that my sense of taste and smell have gotten much better.

The nicotine liquid in used in e-cigarettes only contains 4 ingredients: nicotine, flavoring, propylene glycol, and vegetable glycerin, as opposed to 600 found in traditional cigarettes and 4,000 in the smoke produced by them.

- Smoking bans are enacted to protect the public from the harm of secondhand smoke, but e-cigarettes have not been shown to cause harm to bystanders. In fact, all evidence to date shows that the low health risks associated with e-cigarettes are comparable to other smokeless nicotine products.
- The low risks of e-cigarettes is supported by research done by Dr. Siegel of Boston University, Dr. Eissenberg of Virginia Commonwealth, Dr Maciej L Goniewicz of the Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Dr. Laugesen of Health New Zealand, Dr. Igor Burstyn of Drexel University, and by the fact that the FDA testing, in spite of its press statement, failed to find harmful levels of carcinogens or toxic levels of any chemical in the vapor.
- comprehensive review
- Electronic cigarette use is easy to distinguish from actual smoking. Although some e-cigarettes resemble real cigarettes, many do not. It is easy to tell when someone lights a cigarette from the smell of smoke. E-cigarette vapor is practically odorless, and generally any detectable odor is not unpleasant and smells nothing like smoke. Additionally, e-cigarette users can decide whether to release any vapor ("discreet vaping"). With so little evidence of use, enforcing use bans on electronic cigarettes would be nearly impossible.
- The ability to use electronic cigarettes in public spaces will actually improve public health by inspiring other smokers to switch. Surveys of thousands of users indicate that the majority of those who switch completely replace tobacco cigarettes with the electronic cigarettes, reducing their health risks by an estimated 99%.

CASAA Research Library.

Please do not ban e-cigarettes in San Francisco. They have helped thousands of adults quit smoking and better their lives.

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*Michael A González*

**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Colleen McClintock [colleenmcclintock@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2014 11:27 PM  
**To:** Lee, Mayor; Avalos, John; Breed, London; Chiu, David; Cohen, Malia; Farrell, Mark; Kim, Jane; Tang, Katy; Wiener, Scott; Campos, David; Mar, Eric (BOS); Yee, Norman (BOS); Evans, Derek; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 131208

To all concerned:

I am a previous resident of San Francisco and as a frequent traveller to the area on business, I wish to express my concern over the proposed restrictions on e-cigarettes. I smoked for over 30 years and have successfully quit smoking using e-cigarettes. In fact, it is exactly one year ago today that I smoked my last cigarette! This would not have been possible without the use of an e-cigarette. I had previously tried all other options including cold turkey, nicotine replacement substitutes, and online support forums. Nothing worked until I discovered e-cigarettes.

Please consider that banning the use of e-cigarettes is sending a message that e-cigarettes are as dangerous as smoking both to the smoker and to those exposed to second-hand smoke. No studies to date have not supported this position and it is giving the wrong message to the public. Why wouldn't my success at quitting be rewarded with acceptance? My doctor, family, friends, and co-workers are all very supportive and impressed that I was able to quit after so many years of addiction.

I have never had a single person complain that the vapor from a e-cigarette is bothering them so I am very confused as to why a ban would be seriously considered.

Please consider the following when making a decision on this issue:

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Thank you for your consideration!

Colleen McClintock



RICHARD H. CARMONA, M.D., M.P.H., FACS  
17th Surgeon General of the United States (2002-2006)

\* Duplicate letters  
addressed to each  
member of the New  
York City Council is  
in file.

December 11, 2013

New York City Council

Dear Councilmember:

My name is Richard Carmona, and I served as the 17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States. I write to ask for your personal support in *declining* to include electronic cigarettes in the Smoke Free Air Act. I am extremely concerned, as set forth below, that such an effort, if successful, could do tremendous harm to what is emerging as the most promising weapon yet in the fight against tobacco-related illness and death.

As we approach the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Surgeon General's Report linking smoking and cancer, the plague of tobacco-caused death and disability still persists, killing over 430,000 Americans per year, while disabling millions more with preventable chronic diseases at a cost of hundreds of billions of dollars annually.

During my tenure as Surgeon General, my colleagues and I published reports detailing the preventable harm done by tobacco, spoke frequently to the public and to Congress about the catastrophic health damage caused by tobacco, and even participated as an expert witness in the federal government's case against the tobacco industry. I am particularly proud of my authorship of the 2006 Surgeon General's report on secondhand smoke, in which I wrote: "The debate is over. The science is clear: secondhand smoke is not a mere annoyance, but a serious health hazard that causes premature death and disease in children and non smoking adults."

Yet despite my actions and those of my predecessors like Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, high cigarette taxes, Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved smoking cessation therapies, and the best educational efforts by public health professionals, nearly 20% of the adult population and one-third of our military service members continue to smoke. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that adult smokers usually know they are engaged in harmful behavior and 69% would like to reduce or quit smoking. However, each year only 6% of smokers succeed in quitting, and new smokers replace those who successfully quit. The history and data suggest that we need more viable alternatives in this fight against tobacco.

I believe that one such alternative is the electronic cigarette. Despite their unfortunate name, electronic cigarettes are not actually cigarettes. They contain no tobacco but rather deliver nicotine without all of the toxic, carcinogenic, and other disease-causing products of tobacco combustion. (For example, they produce no carbon monoxide (a particularly

lethal constituent of secondhand tobacco smoke) and produce no sidestream emissions (a source of 85% of secondhand tobacco smoke)). The published research suggests there

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Vice Chairman  
Canyon Ranch

Chief Executive Officer  
Canyon Ranch Health

President  
Canyon Ranch Institute

Distinguished Professor  
Zuckerman College of Public Health  
University of Arizona

may be a significant role for electronic cigarettes in tobacco harm reduction strategies, since they provide smokers both with the nicotine they crave and the smoking rituals that they have grown accustomed too. Respected Wall Street analysts have opined that, within a decade, electronic cigarette sales could overtake tobacco sales. I recently joined the board of NJOY, the leading independent electronic cigarette company, because its ambitions are even higher – to obsolete the tobacco cigarette entirely.

I recognize the good intentions behind the present effort to include electronic cigarettes in the Smoke Free Air Act. However, I am extremely concerned that a well-intentioned but scientifically un-supported effort like the current proposal could constitute a giant step backward in the effort to defeat tobacco smoking. This regulation, if passed, would disincentivize smokers from switching to electronic cigarettes, since NJOY's research indicates that many initially switch for reasons of convenience. It would also send the unintended message to smokers that electronic cigarettes are as dangerous as tobacco smoking, with the result that many will simply continue to smoke their current toxic products. Legislative action that would keep smokers smoking would obviously have serious health consequences – and could cost lives. Worse still, it could lead to the adoption of similar ordinances in other cities, creating a domino effect that would further magnify the potential public health danger in this scientifically unsupported approach.

I will also observe that the concerns expressed about the possibilities that electronic cigarettes could addict non-smokers, condemning them to a lifetime struggle with nicotine addiction, echo concerns expressed about nicotine gums and patches when these first were introduced to the market. We have seen clearly, however, that such products did not have that affect. At the same time, while gums and patches have helped a small minority of smokers successfully quit smoking, it is clear to those of us have been engaged in this battle that we need more impactful solutions to the continuing problem of tobacco smoking, and that is where we see electronic cigarettes playing a central role.

I know that we all share the same vision of a world without tobacco related illness and disease. I fervently believe that to achieve that goal, we need to distinguish between the problem (tobacco smoking and tobacco secondhand smoke) and one extremely promising solution (electronic cigarettes). I strongly encourage you to resist calls to include electronic cigarettes in the City's smoking ban, which I believe would be a major step backward in the effort to achieve this aim. A decision rejecting this proposal would preserve the great legacy of this Council in the fight against tobacco.

Sincerely,



Richard Carmona, M.D., M.P.H. FACS  
17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States

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DAVID CHIU

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PRESIDENTIAL ACTION

Date: 2/28/2014

To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Madam Clerk,

Pursuant to Board Rules, I am hereby:

Waiving 30-Day Rule (Board Rule No. 3.23)

File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Primary Sponsor)

Title. \_\_\_\_\_

Transferring (Board Rule No. 3.3)

File No. 131208 Mar  
(Primary Sponsor)

Title. Health Code - Electronic Cigarettes

From: Neighborhood Services & Safety Committee

To: Rules Committee

Assigning Temporary Committee Appointment (Board Rule No. 3.1)

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Replacing Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

For: \_\_\_\_\_ Meeting  
(Date) (Committee)

*David Chiu*

David Chiu, President

1022 Board of Supervisors

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# Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

Time stamp  
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee:   
An ordinance, resolution, motion, or charter amendment.
- 2. Request for next printed agenda without reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee:
- 4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor  inquires"
- 5. City Attorney request.
- 6. Call File No.  from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Request for Closed Session (attach written motion).
- 10. Board to Sit as A Committee of the Whole.
- 11. Question(s) submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission       Youth Commission       Ethics Commission
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**Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use a different form.**

**Sponsor(s):**


Mar, Avalos, Chiu

**Subject:**

Health Code - Restrictions on Sale and Use of Electronic Cigarettes

**The text is listed below or attached:**

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: 

For Clerk's Use Only:

