

As a Portland resident, I ask that you vote NO on HB 4115.

These devices have helped (and continue to help) many Oregon smokers, including my friends, quit harmful cigarettes. These devices do not "lead to smoking", they lead away from it. They have dramatic health benefits compared to smoking and do not cause harm to bystanders via second hand smoke since there is no second hand smoke. The ingredients in these devices is food grade and used throughout the food industry. Many friends of mine have successfully tapered down to using vaping liquid with no nicotine at all. This has been far more effective as a smoking cessation program than gum/patches/taxes/inconvenience. Please do not force smokers trying to quit out to have to go stand outside on the sidewalk with actual smokers.

Please reject the moral panic and fear-mongering surrounding this issue. Please do not put more barriers in the way of folks trying to improve their health and quit smoking.

Thank you,

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