

## HB 2848

Senate Committee on Health Care  
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Dear Chair Andrea Salinas and Committee Members

First and foremost I would like to let you all know that I DO NOT condone the Youth smoking or vaping. I know this is a big concern.

I would also ask you to read my personal vaping story at the end because it is a very, very important part of my life.

My name is Catherine Kaiser and I am asking you to answer the questions I have on this Bill.

1: Is there any reliable data on how many youth are buying e-cigarettes online for just the state of Oregon? If so it should be printed on the bills pertaining to Oregon and not the information gathered nationwide? If not, these bills should not even be written until reliable data has been gathered. Has anything gotten better or worse since Oregon changed the smoking age to 21?

I tracked way more than 500 stings the FDA does on internet sales. They put the date of the violation of selling to minors along with the seller's name. In the past two years or so since I have been reading them, I have only seen one brick and mortar vape shop in Oregon that has gotten a violation letter from the FDA.

I have seen no reliable data as to where the minors are getting the vaping devices in Oregon, from parents, from peers, from convenient stores or gas stations, stealing them, standing outside stores asking adults to buy them after the minor gives them the money, from Brick and Mortar vape shops....

Looks like to me that the criteria you are requesting the persons selling and buying vape related items over the internet, etc are very extreme with no data if and how many minors in Oregon are acquiring items this way.

**This is the data that Parents, the public, the minors and the Adult vapors have a right to know for just this state alone, not nationwide.**

**I would like you to take my questions seriously and table this bill until the questions above that I have will be available for publication and printed on the bill.**

Very Respectfully,

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