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I STRONGLY OPPOSE HB 2528

Gives the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) extraordinary added powers to regulate any nicotine product including the power to ban outright any nicotine product they dislike without a vote of the people or without a vote of our elected representatives - taxation without representation is a violation of the U.S. Supreme Court Chevron decision.

Under HB 2528, unelected OHA officials could ban vaping/cigarettes at a whim and effectively destroy a hundred local small family businesses overnight losing an estimated \$176 million of health care tax dollars from the current tobacco tax. This is a new way for politicians to outsource both power and decision making to unelected agencies.

It may surprise you why they want to ban nicotine. It is not addictive, it is the man made pyrazine chemicals added to nicotine that creates the addiction, and Harvard Medical School 1970 suggested it be banned. Nicotine has health properties that protects you from many viruses including covid - that's why very few smokers got covid. A French researcher published 4 years ago to use nicotine to cure your countries from covid. Instead they did the opposite. Nicotine is in most vegetables we eat daily - eggplant, tomatoes, night-shade veg. The economic benefit of the lie is serving big pharma, the biggest donors to legislators. Nicotine is a preventive agent and cure for multiple sclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, arthrites, stypsis, diabetes, dissolve brain tumors and cancer, and calm ADHD in children. (Search Dr. Bryan Ardis Show on nicotine.)