



# Oregon Pediatric Society

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DATE: March 6, 2025  
TO: Senator Lisa Reynolds, MD – Chair; Senator Dick Anderson - Vice-Chair;  
Members of the Senate Committee on Early Childhood and Behavioral Health  
FROM: Ellen Stevenson, MD, MPH, FAAP  
SUBJECT: **Support for Senate Bill 702 – Restricting the Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products**

As a pediatrician practicing in Portland, Oregon, I strongly urge you to support Senate Bill 702, to prohibit the sale of flavored tobacco products which are known to have harmful health effects.

Flavored products are marketed to attract youth users. In fact, nearly 90% of youth e-cigarette users choose flavored products. By banning flavored tobacco products, we can help reduce the number of young people who start using tobacco-related products, decrease the likelihood of nicotine addiction, and improve their health and wellbeing.

Restrictions on the sale of flavored tobacco have been enacted in other cities and states leading to a decline in e-cigarette use among youth.

Thank you for your time and commitment to protecting Oregon's youth.

Sincerely,

E. Stevenson, MD, MPH

References:

<https://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/e-cigarettes/health-effects.html>

<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/tobacco/Pages/Facts-For-Parents-About-E-Cigarettes-Electronic-Nicotine-Delivery-Systems.aspx>