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I would like to make clear my opinion on the HB360 which is being proposed to ban e-cigs.

I am turning 35 this year. I started smoking in the air force at age 16.

4 years ago my wife found what I consider to be a God send when she smoked her first E-cig. She have never again had a normal cigarette again nor did I, 2 years later after seeing how successful she had been making the switch. I too made the switch and never looked back We are becoming healthier.

I had tried before to quit smoking and failed, even called the state help line and was given patches and such. Which not only didn't help, but I smoked while wearing the patch.

We no longer have to worry about the other 5000 chemicals in normal cigarettes made by the big tobacco industries, which is where the real danger is.

The vapor is really no different than the vapor (or fog) machines used at concerts.

People have pushed smokers really far to give up cigarettes because of second-hand smoke. Which we had tried To comply with. Now that we have found an alternative that puts no one at risk, that too is being attacked?

This sounds more like a control issue instead of the health issue which was claimed with normal cigarettes. In a day and age when so many states are thinking or making Marijuana legal, isn't it a step backwards to Outlaw e-cigs?

Yet look how many drunks kill or injure people every year, yet alcohol is still legal. My e-cig hurts no one, And as an adult USA citizen it should be my choice what I put in my body.

If e-cigs are made illegal we will all end up going back to normal cigarettes, which really are harmful. I know that would make the big tobacco companies happy, but if a healthier America is what you are striving for,

Than don't make the huge mistake of outlawing e-cigs, which are contributing to the goal of a healthier America. To do so would just create a black market for them.

I realize that people are afraid of that which they don't know, which seems to be the case here. But so far it has been proven they are a much much safer alternative, and outlawing them would be

Taking 20 step backward to what the goal is for a healthier America. Not to mention it would absolutely Cause all who have changed over to them to go right back to the unhealthy analog Cigarettes.

I really don't think you can say they are worse than alcohol, yet alcohol remains legal for those 21 and over, Just as these should. Please help keep America free,
And stand up for my rights also, as you were voted to do so.

I am a registered voter. Thank you for your time,

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