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Relating to a ban on smoking and use of alcohol in the chambers and committee rooms of the House of Representatives.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

WHEREAS the Surgeon General of the United States has reported that smoking is hazardous to human health; and

WHEREAS many studies show that tobacco smoke can also be harmful to nonsmokers in the immediate area of smokers; and

WHEREAS the state has shown its concern for limiting tobacco use by minors by prohibiting minors from buying tobacco products and prohibiting persons from selling or giving tobacco products to minors; and

WHEREAS legislators should be role models for the youth of the state and further encourage them not to smoke by personal example; and

WHEREAS current state law declares that smoking in any form is a nuisance and a public health hazard that is prohibited in the House chambers and rooms where public meetings are held except where designated by the House Rules Committee;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully requests the House Rules Committee to

(1) ban all smoking and use of alcohol in the House chambers and House committee rooms when public meetings are in progress;

(2) accommodate the needs of legislators and other persons who are smokers in other suitable ways as determined by the Rules Committee.