

Facts about Electronic Cigarettes

References and citations found at
www.VapersClub.com/legislaturepacket.html

- *An electronic cigarette is not a cigarette at all. It is actually a nicotine vaporizer. It heats a liquid which then becomes steam and is inhaled and exhaled.
- * The device does not contain any tobacco and does not produce smoke.
- *According to the VA Attorney General it does not violate the VA clean indoor air act since it produces no smoke.
- *It is called an e-cigarette because it is marketed to current smokers as an alternative to cigarettes.
- * An FDA study confirms that PV's/e-cigs produce less carcinogens than may be found in a liter of EPA approved tap water.
- * American Association of Public Health Physicians (AAPHP) recently requested that FDA amend statements about e-cigarettes on the basis of new information.
- *National Vapers Club strongly endorses bans on e-cigarette sales to minors.
- *A Federal Judge ruled that the sales of the device should not be stopped after the defendants (FDA) failed to present evidence of any harm caused by e-cigarettes over many years of use.
- * Governor Schwarzenegger vetoed a bill to ban sales of electronic cigarettes because he didn't want to "sign a measure that also declares them a federally regulated drug when the matter is currently being decided through pending litigation" in DC district court.
- *Utah Rep. Phil Riesen stated in a hearing for a bill on e-cigarettes, "I've been sitting here contemplating whether or not we should propose banning electronic cigarettes, and I'm hearing a lot of testimony from folks who say that it's helping them stop smoking, and while I'm certainly not an advocate of nicotine or nicotine addiction, if these things are actually being used to help people quit smoking, I don't think we ought to ban them anymore than we should ban Nicorette or patches or anything that is helping people to quit."
- *Smokefree PA states that "The FDA should redefine and reclassify electronic cigarettes as tobacco products (instead of combination drug-delivery devices) and reasonably regulate them as such ..."
- *A study shows using smokeless tobacco forever is safer than smoking for one more month.
- *Many studies confirm the safety of the liquid used in a multitude of brands of electronic cigarettes.
- *A new study shows that "The electronic cigarette is effective in raising plasma nicotine levels, and in reducing cravings, and is more pleasant [for smokers] to use than the medicinal nicotine inhaler"
- * If e-cigarettes were in immediate risk to public health they would have been banned immediately and recalled after the FDA study.
- * Re:Nicotrol Inhaler: "the small amount of nicotine emitted into the environment is well below levels associated with adverse effects"
- * Main ingredient (PG) used in the liquid is also used in asthma inhalers and to carry medicine to the lungs of lung transplant patients.
- * Nicorette gum and Nicotine Lozenges are marketed in citrus, cherry, cinnamon and mint, but are not marketed towards children.
- * Cost of the device is in excess of \$100 and not easily affordable for children. Device must be charged and is not easily hid.
- *One days use of an e-cigarette has less carcinogens than the nicotine patch and 1400x less than a tobacco cigarette.