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An Act to End the Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products. Presented by Senator DUSON of Cumberland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. Public Hearing 04/25/23. Carried Over: 07/26/23. Final Disposition: Carried Over 05/10/24.

Original Bill

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

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New Drafts and Amendments

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Prohibition on flavored tobacco could go statewide (Joe Lawlor) (Portland Press Herald, 12/30/2022, p. A1, A4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 221230A.pdf)

Rural legislators challenge new push to ban flavored tobacco in Maine (David Marino Jr.) (Bangor Daily News, 1/5/2023, p. A1, A8) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230105C.pdf)

Effort to ban flavored tobacco in Maine gets boost (Joe Lawlor) (Portland Press Herald, 3/20/2023, p. A1, A6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 230318A.pdf)

Another tobacco battle looming (Michael Shepherd) (Bangor Daily News, 4/26/2023, p. B1, B3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230426F.pdf)

Lawmakers consider statewide ban on flavored tobacco (Joe Lawlor) (Portland Press Herald, 4/26/2023, p. B1, B3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 230426F.pdf)

The latest Maine effort to ban flavored tobacco (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 4/27/2023, p. A1, A8) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230427B.pdf)

Let's not leave adult smokers without better options (Matthew Holman) (Portland Press Herald, 5/1/2023, p. A4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 230501B.pdf)

Maine's tobacco divide- Rural, urban areas should have same rules (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 5/3/2023, p. A8) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230502E.pdf)

Bill to ban flavored tobacco advances (Michael Shepherd and Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 5/22/2023, p. A1, A5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230520A.pdf)

Maine should learn from other states and reject flavored tobacco ban (Peter Brennan) (Bangor Daily News, 5/22/2023, p. A7) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230520D.pdf)

Statewide flavored tobacco ban will protect Maine's young people (Joel Merry) (Portland Press Herald, 6/12/2023, p. A4) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 230612B.pdf)

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Flavored tobacco ban gets tabled, with murky proposals (Joe Lawlor) (Portland Press Herald, 7/27/2023, p. B1, B3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 230727D.pdf)

Legislators once again decline to fund flavored tobacco ban (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 7/28/2023, p. A1, A2) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/BDN 230728B.pdf)

Flavored tobacco ban supporters call lack of vote 'astonishing' (Joe Lawlor) (Portland Press Herald, 4/22/2024, p. A1, A6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD12xx/nc131-LD-1215/PPH 240420B.pdf)

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