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**Committee launches new inquiry into e-cigarette regulation and compliance**

The Legislative Assembly's Committee on Law and Safety has announced a new inquiry into e-cigarette regulation and compliance in New South Wales.

Committee Chair and MP for Mount Druitt, Mr Edmond Atalla, said that use of e-cigarettes, or "vaping", is a serious public health concern.

"The increasing popularity of vaping, particularly among children and young people, is a very worrying trend," Mr Atalla said.

"Although it's illegal to sell vapes and vaping accessories to people under 18, children and young people are still obtaining these products with relative ease. We've seen recent cases of teenagers in New South Wales hospitalised with nicotine poisoning from e-cigarettes purchased on social media apps."

Mr Atalla said the Committee's inquiry will examine how to improve the regulatory framework in New South Wales, as well as ways to address challenges in enforcement and compliance. The Committee will also consider how New South Wales can work with the Federal Government to implement reforms on e-cigarette products.

"The Committee is eager to hear perspectives from across the community during this inquiry. We invite submissions from academics, health sector workers, educators, industry and retailers as well as other interested stakeholders and community members," Mr Atalla said.

More information, including the inquiry's terms of reference and how to make a submission, can be found on the Committee's webpage.

Submissions to the inquiry close on 5 November 2023.

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