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E-CIGARETTE REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Anthony Barron from Corowa, New South Wales and I am writing to register my objection to current regulations on nicotine vaping products in Australia. I believe nicotine vaping products are far less dangerous than conventional cigarettes but the complex requirements for buying them have created a black market where products are unregulated and easily available to minors. We should change this by allowing adults to purchase regulated nicotine vaping products in retail settings.

Firstly, It Reduces Crime - The illegal sale of nicotine vaping products is currently a significant problem in Australia. The introduction of regulated retail sales would reduce the demand for illegal products, which would help to reduce crime rates and increase public safety.

In summary, we need a system that makes it easy for smokers to switch to vaping without having to jump through all the hoops of the current prescription model. The only way we can do this is by empowering responsible retailers to sell regulated vaping products. Any other policy will be more of the same and the current problems of tax avoidance, access for minors, and demand for criminal supply will not be addressed. As you are aware im a 40 year smoker. Vaping allows me to be smoke free. My 10 year old daughter loves the fact I no longer smell like a dirty ashtray. Don't let her see dad return to the old habbit. Generic chemist vapes simply won't work in many cases for vapers especially those using them for some time 1240 days 100% smoke free via vaping. Thanks.

Yours sincerely,

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