

Executive Summary: Health Impact Review of HB 1932

Concerning vapor products (2019 Legislative Session)

Evidence indicates that HB 1932 would likely decrease initiation and use of vapor products and other tobacco products among youth and young adults, thereby improving health outcomes. It is unclear how the bill would impact health inequities.

BILL INFORMATION

Sponsors: Pollet, Jinkins, Tarleton, Stanford, Appleton, and Valdez

Summary of Bill:

This summary highlights all provisions in the bill. However, this analysis was scoped to assess only the provisions prohibiting the sale of flavored vapor products.

- Prohibits the sale of flavored vapor products and flavored marijuana vapor products, beginning January 2020, and regulates vapor product advertising.
- Establishes a vapor products stewardship program to require producers of vapor products, including marijuana vapor products, to finance the collection, transportation, recycling, and disposal of vapor products sold for use in Washington State.
- Grants the Department of Health authority to develop vapor product labeling requirements including disclosures of ingredients and potential harmful effects.

HEALTH IMPACT REVIEW

Summary of Findings:

This Health Impact Review found the following evidence for relevant provisions in HB 1932:

- **Strong evidence** that prohibiting the sale of flavored vapor products will likely decrease initiation and use of vapor products among adolescents and young adults.
- **Strong evidence** that decreasing initiation and use of vapor products among adolescents and young adults will likely decrease initiation and use of tobacco products among these populations.
- **Very strong evidence** that decreasing use of vapor products among adolescents and young adults will likely improve health outcomes.
- **Very strong evidence** that decreasing use of tobacco products among adolescents and young adults will improve health outcomes.
- **Unclear evidence** of the bill's impacts on health inequities. Other factors may influence how this bill impacts inequities such as access to flavored vapor products on tribal lands and military bases and use of other flavored tobacco products. These factors are analyzed in more detail in the full Health Impact Review.

FULL REVIEW

For review methods, logic model, strength-of-evidence analyses, and citations of empirical evidence refer to the full Health Impact Review at:

<https://sboh.wa.gov/Portals/7/Doc/HealthImpactReviews/HIR-2020-01-HB1932.pdf>

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