

Chairman Headland and Members of the House Finance and Taxation Committee,

My name is Brenda Weiler and I support **Senate Bill 2281**, which will help to reduce tobacco use and improve public health. I encourage you to support this bill. Increasing tobacco taxes—one of the most effective ways to discourage new users and encourage quitting—will help lower rates of heart disease, cancer, and lung conditions, ultimately reducing the burden on families, healthcare providers, and our state.

Thank you for your consideration and service,
Brenda Weiler