

Written testimony not in favor of

HB1570

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Committee chair and members of the committee , I am a resident of Dilworth , Minnesota and a user of vape products.

I submit this testimony not in favor of this HB 1570. I like many other

E - cigarette users wont stand for a tax increase like this. This tax will

Not be good for users like my self . I already have to pay some crazy prices for these products. If taxes go up I will no longer be able to keep a vice of my liking . These other testimonies will tell you that an increase on these products will help keep the youth from getting ahold of these products. I disagree .Our youth are already getting more harmful products from outside markets like beer, liquor, and drugs. I dont see a house bill to increase taxes on liquor and beer. the house bill to increase taxes on these products will also make me look else where for these products at my own risk. Many people will also say a tax increase is needed to help fund more things. The people providing these products already pay taxes to the state and city. Increase on tobacco products will cause disadvantages like job losses, and lower government revenue. Higher taxes will cause an increase in smuggling as well.

Thank for listening .