



February 17, 2023

Joint Letter
American Heart Association
American Lung Association
Favorable with Amendments

Dear Chair Pena-Melnyk, Vice Chair Kelly, and Honorable Members of the Health and Government Operations Committee,

The American Heart Association and American Lung Association support the intent of HB 321, but the legislation needs technical amendments outlined below in order to fully realize the intention. We strongly support the funding of tobacco control and believe funds that come from litigation of tobacco companies should be spent to combating the harm the tobacco companies have caused.

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 321
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, strike beginning with “as” in line 16, down through line 18 and substitute “**FROM ANY SOURCE RESULTING, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, FROM ANY JUDGMENT AGAINST OR SETTLEMENT WITH ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE MANUFACTURERS, OR ANY OTHER PERSON IN THE ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE INDUSTRY RELATING TO LITIGATION, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS, OR ANY OTHER CLAIMS MADE OR PROSECUTED BY THE STATE TO RECOVER DAMAGES FOR VIOLATIONS OF STATE LAW.**”

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 22, after “(F)” insert “**(1)(iv)**”.

We ask for your support of this legislation with these technical amendments.

Sincerely,

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