



WMDA/CAR Service Station
and Automotive Repair Association

Chair: Pamela Beidle and Vice Chair Katherine Klausmeier, Members of Finance Committee.

RE: SB582: Business Regulation-Cigarette, Other Tobacco Products, and Electronic – Smoking Device Retailers – Nicotine Replacement Therapy Products – Make Quitting Convenient Act

Position: Unfavorable

My name is Kirk McCauley, my employer is WMDA/CAR, we represent service stations convenience stores and repair facilities across the state as a non- profit trade group.

The cost to carry a nicotine replacement product and having signage required by SB582 is an expense retailer does not need. Retail space behind the counter in plain view is reserved for items that sell quickly and return a good margin.

There are signs now required for age 21, and Military age 18 to be displayed, should bill HB1180-SB1056 pass. To add more signage and the cost of carrying a product that might or might not sell is a regulation small business does not need. They can still sell nicotine replacement by choice and if it is a good seller they most certainly would.

Please give SB582 an unfavorable report.

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