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My name is Spencer Ross and Blueberry and Mango flavored eliquid helped me quit smoking cigars.

At the age of 16 I started smoking Black and Mild's and Al Capones. I tried these products because I wanted to fit in with my friends. My doctor noticed my lungs were starting to act irregular and told me that I needed to stop smoking. I tried to quit smoking but was having a hard time accomplishing this.

I went to the vape shop, and got a set up with blueberry flavored eliquid. The vaporizer I use is larger and not a little tiny flash drive. It's what is sold at vape shops. I have not smoked anymore cigars since. I still vape today even though my nicotine is at a very low level. I started vaping with 18mg of nicotine and now I am down to 3mg of nicotine. I plan on fully quitting by next year. The different flavors offered have allowed me to stay interested, because when I get tired of one flavor, I try another one. This has successfully kept me from going back to cigars.

I've recently visited my doctor and have a clean bill of health and my lungs look better than ever.

The thought of smoking a cigar or vaping a tobacco flavor now makes me nauseous. If this bill goes into law, I will be forced to make my own juice because there is no way I am every going back to cigars. Not only will I make juice for myself I would be forced to help others in my community that want to stay off cigarettes and cigars too.

That brings me to a very important question. When the war on drugs was happening and a lot of minorities were locked up for marijuana, it makes me wonder if the war on flavored nicotine vaping will have the same effect and we will lock up a bunch of people who don't deserve to be locked up.

A flavor ban does one thing, sends people to the black market or to make their own ejuice because most people like me have no intention of ever going back to cigars or cigarettes. This could be very dangerous for people who do not know what they are doing. You will have people using essential oils from Walmart that are not inhalable or belong in vape juice.

In closing I'm asking the Maryland legislature to not pass a bill that will turn me into a criminal. Please allow me to continue to get the vape flavors that keep me off nasty cigars.