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SB 249- Tobacco Product Licensees - Additional Licensure for Electronic Smoking Device

Chair Valderrama and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on SB 249, a bill that will continue this committee's strong record of protecting children from the dangers of tobacco.

The problem of youth access to tobacco products, particularly electronic smoking devices, remains significant. The tobacco industry persistently targets children, and so, we too must remain persistent and protect our children from these harmful products.

The provisions in this bill will help by providing more information on which retailers in the state are selling electronic smoking devices in Maryland.

For these reasons, we ask for a favorable report from the committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristin Jimison". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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