

HB22-1064: PROHIBIT FLAVORED TOBACCO REGULATE SYNTHETIC NICOTINE

Bill Summary

The introduced version of the bill prohibits retailers from selling, advertising, displaying, or marketing flavored cigarettes, tobacco products, and nicotine products, and creates a grant program for communities disproportionately impacted by such products. The bill provides \$10.0 million for a grant program to provide resources to communities disproportionately impacted by marketing, sale, and prevalence of tobacco and nicotine product use.

Health District Board Action

The Board voted to Support HB22-1064 on March 8, 2022. However, changes to the bill in the House Committee on Health & Insurance Committee on 3/16/2022, in the form of amendments, have moved the Board to an Amend position. The added amendments from the committee would eliminate the ban on flavored tobacco in exchange for further regulation around age-restricted tobacco businesses to continue to sell these products, which negates the intent of the introduced version of the bill. The Board would like to see the bill returned to the introduced version which would restore the legislative intent to prohibit flavored tobacco. If the bill is not restored to its intended purpose, the Board will move to Oppose.