## Vaping - An inquiry into reducing rates of e-cigarette use in Queensland

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## **Submitter Comments:**

Laws already exist banning vaping products in Qld. What is NOT happening is the policing of those laws. Illicit tobacconists have set up in every small town in Qld in the last couple of years and are selling nicotine vapes under the nose of and with the full knowledge of Qld Health and the police. These stores are selling chop chop and nicotine vapes to anyone who wants to buy them, including children in school uniforms, with impunity. Trying to stop illegal imports at the border is like looking for a needle in a haystack. Yet these stores where there is a guaranteed result, are left to trade in peace. They are set up by crime gangs who are finding the sale of these ILLEGAL products in stores on main streets, a much easier and more lucrative game than selling drugs. They trade in cash only so there is no way to trace where any of this money goes to. PLEASE give our police and QLD Health the powers to shut these stores down. Parents, schools and a whole generation of potential addicts will thank you for your swift and decisive action .