

Gayle Rowe
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Dear Legislators,

My name is Gayle Rowe, I am a Maine resident and the manager of a small convenience store in Eddington. I am writing in response to LD 1550. I agree that we need to address underage vaping, but banning all flavored tobacco products is not going to fix that problem.

We have struggled to keep our doors open during this prolonged pandemic. We have seen countless changes and faced multiple hurdles, continue to impact our bottom line. This proposal would have lasting effects on small businesses like ours, customers that purchase flavored tobacco products also purchase gas, food, lottery and liquor. A chain store might not see the impact of this loss, for us it could be the beginning of the end.

This ban on flavored tobacco products would seriously effect our revenue and place jobs at risk. I urge you to vote against LD 1550. Please do not move forward with such a devastating ban.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,

Gayle Rowe
The Eddington Store