

Prohibiting Tobacco Retailers from Selling Flavored Tobacco Products*

Digest by the Ballot Simplification Committee

Status: Draft for Consideration
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Members: Packard, Anderson, Patterson

Deadline to Request Reconsideration: TBD

The Way It Is Now: State law prohibits the sale of flavored tobacco products to people under 21.

In 2017, the Board of Supervisors adopted an Ordinance that would prohibit the sale of flavored tobacco products in San Francisco.

Tobacco products include cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, and snuff.

A tobacco product can be flavored by adding tastes or smells including fruit, chocolate, vanilla, honey, candy, cocoa, dessert, alcoholic beverage, menthol, mint, wintergreen, herb, or spice.

A referendum was filed requiring that the Ordinance be submitted to the voters. The Ordinance will not go into effect unless a majority of voters vote in favor of it.

The Proposal: Proposition ___ is a Referendum to approve the Ordinance passed by the Board of Supervisors prohibiting the sale of flavored tobacco products in San Francisco.

A "YES" Vote Means: If you vote "yes," you want the Ordinance prohibiting the sale of flavored tobacco products in San Francisco to take effect.

A "NO" Vote Means: If you vote "no," you do not want the Ordinance prohibiting the sale of flavored tobacco products in San Francisco to take effect.

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