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Sent: Monday, January 13, 2025 11:31 AM EST
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>; Sigalle Reiss <sreiss@brooklinema.gov>
Subject: RE: Recent Tobacco Ban

Good morning!

Thank you very much for your response! Our next BOH meeting is January 21st, where I plan to present examples of existing regulations to my board, and gauge their interest in enacting the policy as a BOH reg, or a town By-law. I've also reached out to our town council who agreed to help us through the process on the legal side of things too. I predict that I'll have more questions/comments following our next meeting where we'll dive into the logistics of the reg.

Thanks again for reaching back out, and have a wonderful rest of your day!

Best,

Dylan Labonte

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Hi Dylan,

Like Sigalle, I'm excited to hear that another Massachusetts municipality is interested in NFG. Six communities in my region adopted NFG this past year. And I've worked with partners in some of the others who adopted in 2024. We now have a total of twelve - - Brookline as a by-law in 2020 and the most recent eleven as a BOH reg. Newton is looking at a possible city ordinance while several other communities are also considering a BOH regulation.

I would be happy to meet with you, talk on the phone, email, whatever as questions come up. I won't know all the answers but we have a wonderful group of committed advocates who have a wealth of knowledge – legal, health, process, etc. Please feel to reach out. Let us know how we can help.
Maureen

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Dylan,

Excited to hear your Board is interested in the Nicotine Free Generation (NFG) policy. I am attached a recent guide, with sample regulations, to help local boards of health learn about and adopt the policy. I have also cc'd Maureen Buzby. Both of us are involved with a local ad-hoc group that can help testify at Board meeting/hearings and help answer any questions.

From: Dylan Labonte <DLabonte@bellinghamma.org>
Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2025 8:51 AM
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Subject: Recent Tobacco Ban

Good morning,

My name is Dylan Labonte, and I work as the Board of Health Agent for the Town of Bellingham MA. My board members and I heard about your recent tobacco ban barring anyone born after January 1, 2000, from purchasing tobacco and nicotine products from retailers in your municipality. We were interested in enacting a similar ban here in Bellingham, and I was curious to know if you might be able to send over a copy of your ban to reference as we begin our drafting process. I tried to navigate your Town site to find it myself, but to no avail.

Thank you very much for your help,

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