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Subject: Re: Hearings for Tobacco Bills - July 14 & 15
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Thank you!

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On Jul 13, 2025, at 8:57 PM, Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org> wrote:

If you want to watch any of tomorrow's hearing here's the info. 😊

From: Tobacco Free Mass <TobaccoFreeMass@wildapricot.org>
Sent: Monday, July 7, 2025 10:31 AM
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>
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ACTION ALERT!



Hello, Maureen-

Please mark your calendar! Hearing dates for several tobacco bills have been announced for: **July 14th and July 15th**. Your in person and written testimony are invaluable in shaping policies that impact community health and well-being.

The Joint Committee on Public Health hearing will be held in Hearing Room A1 and virtually on **Monday, July 14th from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM** for several tobacco bills, including the following TFM priorities and a bill we support:

An Act to repealing the state menthol ban [S.1528](#) (oppose)

Sponsored by: Sen. Ryan C. Fattman

An Act relative to tobacco harm reduction [H.2379/S.1498](#) (oppose)

This bill would exempt some products from the flavor ban law.

Sponsored by: Rep. Daniel Cahill & Sen. John J. Cronin

An Act relative to local boards of health and the sale of legal tobacco products in the Commonwealth [H.2419](#) (oppose)

This bill would preempt local communities from passing local tobacco control ordinances.

Sponsored by: Rep. Paul K. Frost

An Act to ban internet tobacco sales [H.2482](#) (support)

Sponsored by: Rep. David Paul Linsky

Also being heard during this hearing:

An Act to create a Nicotine Free Generation [H.2562/S.1568](#)

Sponsored by: Rep. Tommy Vitolo & Sen. Jason M. Lewis

The list of bills and **information about testifying can be found [here](#)**.

The Joint Committee on Health Care Financing hearing will be held in the Gardner Auditorium and virtually on **Tuesday, July 15th at 10:00 AM** for the following TFM legislative priority:

An Act providing Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation program

[S.881](#) (support)

This bill would expand coverage of tobacco cessation services within MassHealth.

Sponsored by: Sen. Jason M. Lewis

This bill and **information about testifying can be found** [here](#).

Stay tuned for updates and resources to help you prepare and make the most of these opportunities. Let's make a difference, one testimony at a time!

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