



**FLORIDA
SMOKE FREE
ASSOCIATION**
ESTABLISHED 2014

2655 East Bay Road, Suite 10
Largo, Florida. 33771

727-379-2938

info@flsmokefree.org

The Honorable Ron DeSantis, Governor

The Capitol. The Capitol.
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Governor DeSantis,

Thank you so much for being gracious this year and extending time to our representatives and addressing our concerns.

We are grateful that you recognize the flawed PMTA process and that Florida does not have to bow to the FDA regarding tobacco harm reduction products. We think this is a huge step in the right direction.

However, we would like to ask for a veto on HB-1007, or work with you on future legislation to address remaining concerns. Our concerns are as follows:

1. There are several references in both this amendment and in section 120.54, to "PMTA" and "FDA". We fear this language will work to our detriment.
2. We strongly feel the DBPR would be more likely to act fairly toward our business than the attorney general.
3. This bill was repeatedly touted as a "protect the kids" initiative and nothing in the bill protects the kids. We would like to see language that pertains to youth usage, access, heightened penalties, and the enforcement of existing laws.

We would like to work with you to pass better legislation next year; a more comprehensive approach, and we acknowledge this was a big step. We truly mean no disrespect and are grateful for the input of you, and of your staff.

We appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Orlando
President
Florida Smoke Free Association