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## \*\*SUMMARY, LETTER OF SUPPORT, AND LIST OF CO-SPONSORS ATTACHED

# REMARKS OF SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY IN SUPPORT OF FDA REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

## Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee Executive Meeting

## (As Prepared for Delivery)

Today, the Senate is taking the first step toward passage of legislation that should have been enacted years ago – authority for the FDA to regulate tobacco products, the most lethal of all consumer products. Used as intended by the companies that manufacture and market them, cigarettes will kill one out of every three smokers. Yet, the federal agency most responsible for protecting the public health is currently powerless to deal with the enormous risks of tobacco use. Public health experts overwhelmingly believe that passage of S. 625 is the most important action Congress can take to protect children from this deadly addiction. If Congress fails to act and smoking continues at its current rate, more than six million of today's children will ultimately die from tobacco-induced disease.

Smoking is the number one preventable cause of death in America. Nationally, cigarettes kill well over four hundred thousand people each year. That is more lives lost than from automobile accidents, alcohol abuse, illegal drugs, AIDS, murder, and suicide combined. Congress cannot continue to ignore a public health problem of this magnitude.

And Congress will not ignore it. This legislation has broad bipartisan support. Fifty-two Senators have co-sponsored it, including 12 Republicans. They recognize that giving FDA authority over tobacco products is essential to effectively addressing the tobacco health crisis.

The American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the American Lung Association, the American Medical Association, the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids and dozens of other major public health organizations speak with one voice on this issue. They are all supporting S. 625 because they know it will give FDA the tools it needs to reduce youth smoking and help addicted smokers guit.

A landmark report by the Institute of Medicine, released less than two months ago, strongly urged Congress to "confer upon the FDA broad regulatory authority over the manufacture, distribution, marketing and use of tobacco products."

Opponents of this legislation argue that FDA should not be regulating such a dangerous product. I could not disagree more. It is precisely because tobacco products are so deadly that we must empower America's premier public health protector – the FDA – to combat tobacco use. For decades the federal government has stayed on the sidelines and done next to nothing to deal with this enormous health problem. The tobacco industry has been allowed to mislead consumers, to make false health claims, to conceal the lethal contents of their products, to make their products even more addictive, and worst of all – to seduce generations of children into a lifetime of addiction and early death. The alternative to FDA regulation is more of the same. Allowing this abusive conduct by the tobacco industry to go unchecked would be terribly wrong.

Under this legislation, FDA will for the first time have the needed power and resources to take on this challenge. The cost will be funded entirely by a new user fee paid by the tobacco companies in proportion to their market share. Not a single dollar will be diverted from FDA's existing responsibilities.

Giving FDA authority over tobacco products will not make the tragic toll of tobacco use disappear overnight. More than forty million people are hooked on this highly addictive product and many of them have been unable to quit despite repeated attempts. However, FDA action can play a major role in breaking the gruesome cycle that seduces millions of teenagers into a lifetime of addiction and premature death.

## What can FDA regulation accomplish?

- It can reduce youth smoking by preventing tobacco advertising which targets children.
- It can help prevent the sale of tobacco products to minors.
- It can stop the tobacco industry from continuing to mislead the public about the dangers of smoking.
- It can help smokers overcome their addiction.
- It can make tobacco products less toxic and less addictive for those who continue to use them.
- And it can prohibit unsubstantiated health claims about supposedly "reduced risk" products, and encourage the development of genuinely less harmful alternative products.

Regulating the conduct of the tobacco companies is as necessary today as it has been in years past. The facts presented in the federal government's landmark lawsuit against the tobacco industry conclusively demonstrate that the misconduct is substantial and ongoing. The decision of the Court states: "The evidence in this case clearly establishes that Defendants have not ceased engaging in unlawful activity...Defendants continue to engage in conduct that is materially indistinguishable from their previous actions, activity that continues to this day." Only strong FDA regulation can force the necessary change in their corporate behavior.

We must deal firmly with tobacco company marketing practices that target children and mislead the public. The Food and Drug Administration needs broad authority to regulate the sale, distribution, and advertising of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco.

The tobacco industry currently spends over thirteen billion dollars each year to promote its products. Much of that money is spent in ways designed to tempt children to start smoking, before they are mature enough to appreciate the enormity of the health risk. Four thousand children have their first cigarette every day, and one thousand of them become daily smokers. The industry knows that nearly 90% of smokers begin as children and are addicted by the time they reach adulthood.

Documents obtained from tobacco companies prove, in the companies' own words, the magnitude of the industry's efforts to trap children into dependency on their deadly product. Studies by the Institute of Medicine and the Centers for Disease Control show the substantial role of industry advertising in decisions by young people to use tobacco products.

If we are serious about reducing youth smoking, FDA must have the power to prevent industry advertising designed to appeal to children wherever it will be seen by children. This legislation will give FDA the authority to stop tobacco advertising that glamorizes smoking to kids. It grants FDA full authority to regulate tobacco advertising "consistent with and to the full extent permitted by the First Amendment."

FDA authority must also extend to the sale of tobacco products. Nearly every state makes it illegal to sell cigarettes to children under 18, but surveys show that those laws are rarely enforced and frequently violated. FDA must have the power to limit the sale of cigarettes to face-to-face transactions in which the age of the purchaser can be verified by identification. This means an end to self-service displays and vending machine sales. There must also be serious enforcement efforts with real penalties for those caught selling tobacco products to children. This is the only way to ensure that children under 18 are not able to buy cigarettes.

The FDA conducted the longest rulemaking proceeding in its history, studying which regulations would most effectively reduce the number of children who smoke. Seven hundred

thousand public comments were received in the course of that rulemaking. At the conclusion of its proceeding, the Agency promulgated rules on the manner in which cigarettes are advertised and sold. Due to litigation, most of those regulations were never implemented. If we are serious about curbing youth smoking as much as possible, as soon as possible; it makes no sense to require FDA to reinvent the wheel by conducting a new multi-year rulemaking process on the same issues. This legislation will give the youth access and advertising restrictions already developed by FDA the force of law, as if they had been issued under the new statute. Once they are in place, FDA will have the authority to modify these rules as changing circumstances warrant.

The legislation also provides for stronger warnings on all cigarette and smokeless tobacco packages, and in all print advertisements. These warnings will be more explicit in their description of the medical problems which can result from tobacco use. The FDA is given the authority to change the text of these warning labels periodically, to keep their impact strong.

The nicotine in cigarettes is highly addictive. Medical experts say that it is as addictive as heroin or cocaine. Yet for decades, tobacco companies vehemently denied the addictiveness of their products. No one can forget the parade of tobacco executives who testified under oath before Congress that smoking cigarettes is not addictive. Overwhelming evidence in industry documents obtained through the discovery process proves that the companies not only knew of this addictiveness for decades, but actually relied on it as the basis for their marketing strategy. As we now know, cigarette manufacturers chemically manipulated the nicotine in their products to make it even more addictive.

A newly released analysis by the Harvard School of Public Health demonstrates that cigarette manufacturers are still manipulating nicotine levels. Between 1998 and 2005, they significantly increased the nicotine yield from major brand name cigarettes. The average increase in nicotine yield over the period was 11%.

The tobacco industry has a long, dishonorable history of providing misleading information about the health consequences of smoking. These companies have repeatedly sought to characterize their products as far less hazardous than they are. They made minor innovations in product design seem far more significant for the health of the user than they actually were. It is essential that FDA have clear and unambiguous authority to prevent such misrepresentations in the future. The largest disinformation campaign in the history of the corporate world must end.

Given the addictiveness of tobacco products, it is essential that the FDA regulate them for the protection of the public. Over forty million Americans are currently addicted to cigarettes. No responsible public health official believes that cigarettes should be banned. A ban would leave forty million people without a way to satisfy their drug dependency. FDA should be able to take the necessary steps to help addicted smokers overcome their addiction, and to make the product less toxic for smokers who are unable or unwilling to stop. To do so, FDA must have the authority to reduce or remove hazardous ingredients from cigarettes, to the extent that it becomes scientifically feasible. The inherent risk in smoking should not be unnecessarily compounded.

Recent statements by several tobacco companies make clear that they plan to develop what they characterize as "reduced risk" cigarettes. Some are already on the market making unsubstantiated claims. This legislation will require manufacturers to submit such "reduced risk" products to the FDA for analysis before they can be marketed. No health-related claims will be permitted until they have been verified to the FDA's satisfaction. These safeguards are essential to prevent deceptive industry marketing campaigns, which could lull the public into a false sense of health safety.

This legislation will vest FDA not only with the responsibility for regulating tobacco products, but with full authority to do the job effectively. It is long overdue.

Enacting this bill this year is the right thing to do for America's children. They are

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# LEGISLATION EMPOWERING FDA TO REGULATE TOBACCO PRODUCTS By Senator Edward M. Kennedy

This bipartisan legislation will give the FDA the legal authority it needs -- to reduce youth smoking by preventing tobacco advertising which targets children - - to prevent the sale of tobacco products to minors - - to help smokers overcome their addiction - - to make tobacco products less toxic for those who continue to use them - - and to prevent the tobacco industry from misleading the public about the dangers of smoking.

- 1) **Establishes A New Chapter on Tobacco Regulation –** It creates a new section in FDA jurisdiction for the regulation of tobacco products, with standards that allow for consideration of the unique issues raised by tobacco use. The legislation gives FDA the authority it needs in order to prevent youth smoking and to reduce addiction to this highly lethal product.
- 2) Authority to Restrict Tobacco Advertising The Food and Drug Administration will have the necessary authority to regulate the sale, distribution, and advertising of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco in order to stop tobacco company marketing practices that target children and mislead the public. It grants FDA full authority to regulate tobacco advertising "consistent with and to the full extent permitted by the First Amendment." The tobacco industry currently spends more than fifteen billion dollars a year to promote its products. Much of that money is spent in ways designed to tempt children to start smoking, before they are mature enough to appreciate the enormity of the health risk. Nearly 90% of smokers begin as children and are addicted by the time they reach adulthood. This legislation will empower FDA to prevent industry advertising designed to appeal to children wherever it will be seen by children.
- 3) Authority to Prevent Sale to Youth FDA authority will extend to the sale of tobacco products. Nearly every state makes it illegal to sell cigarettes to children under 18, but surveys show that those laws are rarely enforced and frequently violated. FDA will have the power to limit the sale of cigarettes to face-to-face transactions in which the age of the purchaser can be verified by identification. This means an end to self-service displays and vending machine sales. There must also be serious enforcement efforts with real penalties for those caught selling tobacco products to children. This is the only way to ensure that children under 18 are not able to buy cigarettes.
- 4) **Preserves FDA Rule to Curb Tobacco Use by Youth –** The FDA conducted one of the longest rulemaking proceedings in its history to determine what regulations would most effectively reduce the number of children who smoke. Seven hundred thousand public comments were received in the course of that rulemaking. At the conclusion of its proceeding, the Agency promulgated rules on the manner in which cigarettes are advertised and sold. Due to litigation, most of those regulations were never implemented. It makes no sense to require FDA to reinvent the wheel by conducting a new multi-year rulemaking process on the same issues. In order to curb youth smoking as much as possible, as soon as possible, this legislation will give the youth access and advertising restrictions already developed by FDA the force of law, as if they had been issued under the new statute.
- 5) **Stronger Warning Labels** The legislation also provides for stronger warnings on all cigarette and smokeless tobacco packages, and in all print advertisements. These

warnings will be more explicit in their description of the medical problems which can result from tobacco use. The FDA is given the authority to change the text of these warning labels periodically, to keep their impact strong.

- 6) Preventing Tobacco Industry Misrepresentations For decades, tobacco companies have vehemently denied the addictiveness of nicotine in their products. Overwhelming evidence in industry documents obtained through the discovery process proves that the companies not only knew of this addictiveness, but actually relied on it as the basis for their marketing strategy. As we now know, cigarette manufacturers chemically manipulated the nicotine in their products to make it even more addictive. These companies have repeatedly sought to characterize their products as far less hazardous than they are. FDA will have clear and unambiguous authority to prevent such misrepresentations in the future.
- 7) Authority to Order Removal of Hazardous Ingredients Over forty million Americans are currently addicted to cigarettes. No responsible public health official believes that cigarettes should be banned. A ban would leave forty million people without a legal way to satisfy their drug dependency. FDA must be able to take the necessary steps to help addicted smokers overcome their addiction, and to make the product less toxic for smokers who are unable or unwilling to stop. To do so, FDA will have the authority to reduce or remove hazardous ingredients from cigarettes, to the extent that it becomes scientifically feasible. The inherent risk in smoking should not be unnecessarily compounded.
- 8) **Setting Standards for Reduced Risk Products –** Recent statements by several tobacco companies make clear that they plan to develop what they characterize as "reduced risk" cigarettes. This legislation will require manufacturers to submit such "reduced risk" products to the FDA for analysis before they can be marketed. No health-related claims will be permitted until they have been verified to the FDA's satisfaction. These safeguards are essential to prevent deceptive industry marketing campaigns, which could lull the public into a false sense of health safety.

Cancer Action Network
American Heart Association
Partners for Effective Tobacco Policy
American Lung Association
Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

July 17, 2007

The Honorable [FULL NAME]
United States [SIDE OF CONGRESS]
Washington, DC 20515/20510

Fax:

Dear Senator/Representative [LAST NAME]:

Congress has an historic opportunity to embrace responsible legislation that will help to reduce the suffering and death caused by tobacco. Bipartisan legislation has been introduced by Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D-MA) and Senator John Cornyn (R-TX), S. 625, in the U.S. Senate and by Representatives Henry Waxman (D-CA) and Tom Davis (R-VA), H.R. 1108, in the U.S. House of Representatives, to give the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) the authority to regulate the tobacco industry for the first time, ending the exceptional protection granted only to tobacco companies and to no other industry.

In 2004, the U.S. Senate voted overwhelmingly, 78-15, to grant the FDA effective authority to regulate tobacco products, but the legislation ultimately died in a conference committee. Forty-three years have passed since the U.S. Surgeon General reported on the unquestionable dangers of smoking. Since that time, tobacco products have become the largest single preventable cause of death in America while Congress has yet to take

meaningful action.

Tobacco use kills more than 400,000 Americans each year and costs our nation more than \$96 billion in health care bills. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, tobacco use by pregnant women alone costs between \$400-500 million per year due to complications such as low birth weight, premature births and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). And every day Congress fails to act, another 1,000 kids become regular smokers, one-third of whom will die prematurely as a result. Yet tobacco products are virtually unregulated to protect consumers' health and safety. For decades, the tobacco companies have marketed their deadly products to our children, deceived consumers about the harm their products cause, and failed to take any meaningful action to make their products less harmful or less addictive. The Kennedy-Cornyn and Waxman-Davis bills would finally end the exceptional protection enjoyed by the tobacco industry and protect our children and the nation's health instead.

This legislation meets the standards long established by the public health community for a strong FDA tobacco regulation bill that protects the public health. It would give the FDA the necessary tools and resources to effectively regulate the manufacturing, marketing, labeling, distribution and sale of tobacco products. The FDA would have the authority to:

- Stop illegal sales of tobacco products to children and adolescents.
- Require changes in tobacco products, such as the reduction or elimination of harmful chemicals, to make them less harmful and less addictive.
- Restrict advertising and promotions that appeal to children and adolescents.
- Prohibit unsubstantiated health claims about so-called "reduced risk" tobacco products that discourage current tobacco users from quitting or encourage new users to start.
- Require the disclosure of tobacco product content and tobacco industry research about the health effects of their products.
- Require larger and more informative health warnings on tobacco products.

This much-needed bipartisan FDA legislation protects the public's health and should be enacted in this session of Congress. We remain concerned that opponents of effective FDA tobacco regulation will seek to weaken the bills. Our organizations will work vigorously to protect the bills as they currently exist and will oppose efforts to eliminate or weaken the FDA authority they provide. Please support the Kennedy-Cornyn, S 625, and Waxman-Davis, HR 1108, FDA bills and oppose any and all weakening changes.

Below is the list of 414 national, state and local organizations that have endorsed this legislation and are actively working to see it enacted into law. Sincerely,

# National Public Health Organizations (61)

American Cancer Society

American Heart Association

American Lung Association

Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

Academy of General Dentistry

Alliance of the American Dental Association

American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry

American Academy of Family Physicians

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry

American Academy of Pediatrics

American Academy of Periodontology

American Association for Cancer Research

American Association of Dental Editors

American Association of Dental Examiners

American Association for Dental Research

American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons

American Association of Orthodontists

American Association of Public Health Dentistry

American Association for Respiratory Care

American College of Cardiology

American College of Chest Physicians

American College of Clinical Oncology

American College of Dentists

American College of Prosthodontists

American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists

American College of Occupational & Environmental Medicine

American College of Physicians

American College of Preventative Medicine

American Dental Association

American Dental Education Association

American Dental Hygienists' Association

American Medical Association

American Medical Student Association

American Psychological Association

American Public Health Association

American Society of Addiction Medicine

American Society of Clinical Oncology

American Student Dental Association.

American Thoracic Society

Americans For Health Care

Association of Community Cancer Centers

Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Association of State & Territorial Dental Directors

Association of Women's Health, Obstetric & Neonatal Nurses

Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America

Directors of Health Promotion and Education

Hispanic Dental Association

March of Dimes

National African American Tobacco Prevention Network

National Association of County & City Health Officials

National Association of Health Education Centers

National Association of Local Boards of Health

National Dental Association

National Hispanic Medical Association

National Latino Council on Alcohol & Tobacco Prevention

Oncology Nursing Society

Oral Health America

Partnership for Prevention

Society for Public Health Education

The Lance Armstrong Foundation

Trust for America's Health

## Other National Organizations (12)

AARP

ASPIRA, Inc.

Children's Defense Fund

Family USA

First Focus

Hadassah – Women's Zionist Organization of America

National Education Association

National Partnership for Women & Families

National Puerto Rican Coalition

National Research Center for Women & Families National Women's Law Center Service Employees International Union (SEIU)

## National/Regional Faith Organizations (32)

American Baptist Churches of the South American Baptist Churches USA Brethren Witness/Washington Office Briarwood United Methodist Church, Jackson, MS Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Catholic Conference of Kentucky Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Church Women United

Crossroads Community Church - OH

Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission, Southern Baptist Convention

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America General Board of Church & Society, United Methodist Church

General Commission on United Methodist Men Health Ministries Association Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility

International Parish Nurse Resource Center Interreligious Coalition on Smoking or Health

## **Islamic Society of North America**

Kansas East Conference Board of Church & Society, United Methodist Church

Kansas Ecumenical Ministries Governing Board

Liberty Baptist Church, Flowood, MS Mt. Sinai Church - NE

National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA

National Episcopal Health Ministries Presbyterian Church (USA) Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism Seventh-day Adventists United Church of Christ

United Methodist Church Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations

Women's Division, GBGM, United Methodist Church

World Sikh Council - America Region

#### State/Local Organizations (309)

AARP – Delaware Chapter AARP – Florida Chapter

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Adagio Health - PA
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Alabama Dental Association

Alabama Society for Respiratory Care

Alpine County Health & Human Services - CA

American Cancer Society, California Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Eastern Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Florida Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Great West Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, High Plains Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Illinois Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Mid-South Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Midwest Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, New England Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Ohio Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, Pennsylvania Division, Inc.

American Cancer Society, South Atlantic Division, Inc.

American Heart Association - Great Rivers Affiliate (West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky,

Pennsylvania, Delaware)

American Heart Association - Greater Midwest Affiliate (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota,

Wisconsin, South Dakota, North Dakota)

American Heart Association - Greater Southeast Affiliate, (Florida, Louisiana, Alabama,

Mississippi, Georgia, Tennessee)

American Heart Association - Heartland Affiliate (Oklahoma, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri,

Kansas, Arkansas)

American Heart Association – Heritage Affiliate (Connecticut, New Jersey, New York City)

American Heart Association – MidAtlantic Affiliate (South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia,

Maryland, Washington, DC)

American Heart Association – Northeast Affiliate (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode

Island, New York State, Massachusetts)

American Heart Association - Pacific Mountain Affiliate (Hawaii, Alaska, Washington, Oregon,

Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho, Arizona, New Mexico)

American Heart Association – Texas Affiliate (Texas)

American Lung Association of Arizona

American Lung Association of Arkansas

American Lung Association of Alaska

American Lung Association of California

American Lung Association of Colorado

American Lung Association of Connecticut

American Lung Association of Delaware

American Lung Association of Florida

American Lung Association of Georgia

American Lung Association of Hawaii

American Lung Association of Idaho

American Lung Association of Illinois

American Lung Association of Indiana

American Lung Association of Iowa

American Lung Association of Kentucky

American Lung Association of Louisiana

American Lung Association of Maine

American Lung Association of Maryland

American Lung Association of Massachusetts

American Lung Association of Michigan

American Lung Association of Minnesota

American Lung Association of Mississippi

American Lung Association of Nevada

American Lung Association of New Jersey

American Lung Association of New Mexico

American Lung Association of New York

American Lung Association of North Carolina

American Lung Association of North Dakota

American Lung Association of Ohio

American Lung Association of Oregon

American Lung Association of Pennsylvania

American Lung Association of Rhode Island

American Lung Association of South Carolina

American Lung Association of South Dakota

American Lung Association of Tennessee

American Lung Association of the Central States Serving Kansas

American Lung Association of the Central States Serving Missouri

American Lung Association of the Central States Serving Nebraska

American Lung Association of the Central States Serving Oklahoma

American Lung Association of the Central States Serving Texas

American Lung Association of the City of New York

American Lung Association of the Northern Rockies (Montana and Wyoming)

American Lung Association of Utah

American Lung Association of Vermont

American Lung Association of Virginia

American Lung Association of Washington

American Lung Association of Wisconsin

American Lung Association of West Virginia

American Lung Association serving Nebraska

AOD Partnership of Western Michigan

Arizona Dental Association

Arizona Public Health Association

Arizona Society for Respiratory Care

Arkansas State Dental Association

Arkansas Society for Respiratory Care

Asian Human Services - IL

Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America, New England Chapter

Asthma Coalitions of Mississippi

Athens City-County Health Department - OH

Better Breathers Club, Jackson, MS

Better Breathers Club, Hattiesburg, MS

Better Breathers Club, Biloxi, MS

Bon Secours - VA

Bond County Health Department - IL

Boone County Health Department - IL

Bucyrus Community Hospital - OH

California Academy of Family Physicians

California Conference of Local Health Officers

California Dental Association

California Society for Respiratory Care

Carroll County Health Department - IL

Citizen Action Illinois

Clinton County Health Department - IL

Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Vermont

Coalition for Smoke Free Peoria County - IL

Colorado Academy of Family Physicians

Colorado Dental Association

Community Action for Capable Youth (CACY) - OH

Comprehensive School Health Coordinators' Association - MI

Connecticut Academy of Family Physicians

Connecticut Association of Directors of Health, Inc.

Connecticut State Dental Assoication

CU Smokefree Alliance - IL

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute - MA

Delaware Dental Hygienists'

Delaware Kick Butts Generation

District of Columbia Dental Society

Douglas County Health Department - IL

East Side Health District - IL

Egyptian Health Department - IL

EnviroCare, Inc - MS

Erie County Tobacco Prevention Coalition - OH

Family Guidance Center - OH

Firelands Regional Medical Center - OH

Florida Dental Association

Forest County Tobacco Free Coalition - PA

Georgia Dental Association

Greene County Health Department - IL

Guam American Academy of Family Physicians

Hancock County Health Department - IL

Hawaii Dental Association

Health Officers Association of California

Hempstead High Health Center - NY

Idaho Academy of Family Physicians

Idaho Society for Respiratory Care

Illinois Coalition Against Tobacco

Illini Community Hospital - IL

Illini Rural Health Clinic - IL

Illinois Academy of Family Physicians

Illinois Maternal & Child Health Coalition

Illinois Psychological Association

Illinois Public Health Association

Illinois Society for Respiratory Care

Illinois State Dental Society

Image Enterprise Group, LLC - NJ

**IMPACT** Delaware Tobacco Prevention Coalition

Indiana Dental Association

Indiana Society for Respiratory Care

Institute of Medicine of Chicago - IL

Iowa Association of Local Public Health Agencies

**Iowa Dental Association** 

Iowa Society for Respiratory Care

Jackson County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition – FL

Jefferson County Health Department 0 IL

Jefferson County Tobacco Control Coalition - MO

Jefferson Davis County Schools - MS

Jersey County Health Department - IL

Jo Daviess County Health Department – IL

Lake Geauga Ashtabula Tobacco Prevention Coalition - OH

Kane County Coalition for Health & Wellness -IL

Kansas Dental Association

Kendall County Health Department - IL

Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians

Kentucky Dental Association

Kentucky Society for Respiratory Care

Korean Community Services of Metropolitan New York, Inc.

Lake County Regional Office of Education – IL

Lawrence County Health Department – OH

Lawrence County Health Department - IL

Learning Express Academy - DE

Linden Oaks Hospital at Edwards - IL

Loma Linda Univ. School of Dentistry, CA

Loma Linda Univ. School of Public Health, CA

Long Island Allergy & Asthma Society - NY

Long Island Lesbian Cancer Initiative - NY

Lorain City Health Department - OH

Louisiana Dental Association

Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care

Madison County Department of Health - NY

Maine Society for Respiratory Care

Maine Dental Association

March of Dimes, Nevada Chapter

Marion County Health Department - IL

Maryland Academy of Family Physicians

Maryland PIRG

Maryland State Dental Association

Mass Health Officers

Massachusetts Academy of Family Physicians

Massachusetts Dental Association

Massachusetts Health Officers Association

McComb School District - MS

McHenry County Regional Office of Education - IL

Medina County Tobacco Prevention Coalition - OH

Mercer County Health Department - IL

Metro Omaha Tobacco Action Coalition - NE

Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council - IL

Metropolitan Washington Public Health Association - DC

Miami Valley Health Improvement Council - OH

Michigan Dental Association

Minnesota Dental Association

Mississippi Dental Association

Mississippi State Department of Health/District VIII Office

Mississippi Thoracic Society

Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies

Missouri Dental Association

Montana Dental Association

Montego Bay Tanning – DE

Nebraska Society for Respiratory Care

Nebraska State Association of County & City Health Officials - Lincoln, NE

Nevada Dental Association

Nevada Public Health Foundation

Nevada Tobacco Prevention Coalition

New Hampshire Dental Society

New Jersey Academy of Family Physicians

New Jersey Dental Association

New Mexico Dental Association

New York City Asthma Partnership

New York State Academy of Family Physicians

New York State Public Health Association, Nassau-Suffolk Region

North Carolina Academy of Family Physicians

North Carolina Alliance for Health

North Carolina Dental Society

North Carolina Society for Respiratory Care

North Mississippi Medical Center

Office of Chronic Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, Southern Nevada Health District

Ohio African American Communities for Optimum Health

Ohio Dental Association

Ohio Tobacco Foundation

Oklahoma Dental Association

Oklahoma Public Health Association

Oklahoma Society for Respiratory Care

Operation Tobacco-Free Nevada/Tobacco-Free Babies Project, The Pregnancy Center

Oregon Coalition of Local Health Officials

Oregon Dental Association

Panhandle Public Health District Director – NE Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi

Partnership for a Healthy Population, Valhalla, NY

PCC Wellness Center - IL

Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians

Pennsylvania Dental Association

Pennsylvania Society for Respiratory Care

Pike County Health Department - IL

Pike County Health Department - KY

Pitt County Memorial Hospital, NC

Portage County Tobacco Prevention Coalition - OH

Prevention First - IL

Prohealth Care Associates, LLC, Lake Success, NY

Public Health Association of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE

Putnam Family & Community Services, Carmel, NY

Putnam Valley Central Schools, Health Advisory Council - NY

Rainin' 3 Leadership Academy - MS

Regional Office of Education #10 - IL

Regional Office of Education #11 - IL

Regional Office of Education #46 - IL

Regional Office of Education #2 - IL

Regional Superintendent of Education – IL

Rhode Island Academy of Family Physicians

**Rhode Island Dental Association** 

Rock Blend County Regional Office of Education - IL

Rockford Health System - IL

Rockford Public Schools District 205 - IL

Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency - CA

Smokefree Wisconsin

Somali Smokeout/Columbus State - OH

South Dakota Academy of Family Physicians

South Dakota Dental Association

South Dakota Tobacco-Free Network

South Dakota Tobacco-Free Kids Network

South Shore Hospital – IL

Southern Illinois Healthcare Foundation - IL

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department - NE

St. Andrew's Mission, Inc. - MS

Swedish American Hospital – IL

Syracuse Center of Excellence in Environmental & Energy Systems - NY

Tar Wars - Guam Region

Tennessee Dental Association

Tennessee Public Health Association

Texas Academy of Family Physicians

Texas Dental Association

The Coalition for a Tobacco Free Utah

The College of Public Health, University of Nebraska Medical Center

The Ohio Tobacco Prevention Foundation

The Utah Cancer Action Network

Tobacco-Free Coalition of Lancaster County, PA Tobacco Free Mass

Trumbull County Health Department - OH

Tuskarawas County Health Department - OH

Two Rivers Public Health Department - NE

United Neighborhood Organization - IL

University of Delaware, School of Nursing & Health Sciences

**Utah Dental Association** 

Utah Society for Respiratory Care

Vermont Public Healthy Association

Vermont State Dental Society

Virginia Dental Association Virginia Primary Care Association Wabash County Health Department - IL WakeMed - NC Warren County Tobacco Free Coalition - PA Washington County Health Department - IL Washington County Tobacco Prevention - OH Washington County Tobacco Prevention Project -OH Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials Washington State Dental Association Wayne County Health Department - IL West Virginia Academy of Family Physicians West Virginia Dental Association Whiteside County Health Department - IL Will County Health Department - IL Winnebago County Tobacco-Free Communities Coalition - IL Wisconsin Dental Association Woodford County Health Department - KY Wyoming Cancer Control Consortium Wyoming Dental Association YWCA Aurora - IL

## Co- Sponsors of S. 625, the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act

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Sen Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI] - 2/15/2007 * Sen Bayh, Evan [D-IN] - 3/6/2007
                                             Sen Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM] - 2/15/2007 *
 Sen Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE] - 4/26/2007
 Sen Boxer, Barbara [D-CA] - 5/23/2007 Sen Brown, Sherrod [D-OH] - 2/15/2007 *
 Sen Byrd, Robert C. [D-WV] - 6/5/2007 Sen Cantwell, Maria [D-WA] - 2/15/2007 *
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