

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NORTHEAST TRI COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

WHEREAS: preemption is used in the United States to refer to the displacing effect state laws might have on ordinances enacted by municipalities, especially in the context of tobacco laws, alcoholic beverage laws, gun laws, zoning laws banning hydrofracking, and in the area of Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved pharmaceuticals;

WHEREAS: repeal of preemption will result in a patchwork of tobacco laws throughout the state placing undue burdens on entities conducting business in multiple jurisdictions;

WHEREAS: the licensing, fees and fines suggested through repeal of preemption does not address the underlying lack of funding for tobacco work and absolves the state of their responsibility to provide funding for this work through the existing collection of statewide cigarette and tobacco taxes which totals more than \$445 million per year;

WHEREAS: repeal of preemption places regulators in direct receipt of funds from those that they regulate creating a situation in which the regulator becomes invested in the status quo in order to continue funding of programs;

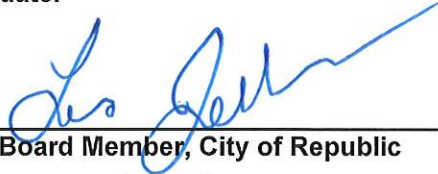
WHEREAS: repeal of preemption for tobacco opens the doors for coercive regulations on other industries such as food and firearms;

WHEREAS: the position of the Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials (WSALPHO) on preemption was adopted without adequate discussion, research or presentation to local Boards of Health;

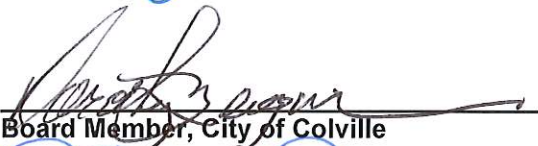
THEREFORE: be it resolved that the Northeast Tri County Health District Board of Health does not support the position adopted by WSALPHO and does not support of the repeal of preemption; **AND**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Northeast Tri County Health District Board of Health strongly encourages other local Boards of Health in Washington to adopt similar resolutions.

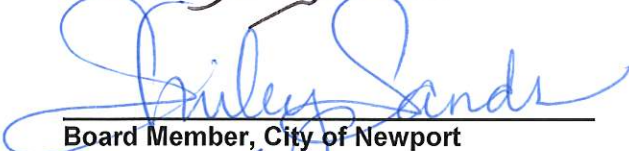
Done this 18th day of July, 2012 in Republic, Washington and effective immediately upon signatures as of this date.


Board Member, City of Republic

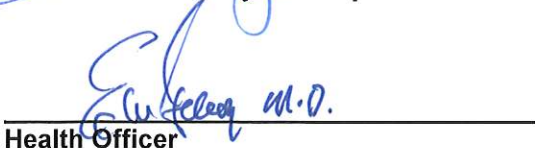

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