

Nicole Mace of the Vermont School Board Association
Comments regarding H.217

I am writing to indicate my support for David Englander's proposed language that would eliminate the requirement for school district policies prohibiting tobacco use on school grounds. I've attached the language he shared with me this morning. If I can provide any additional information, please let me know.

§ 140. TOBACCO USE PROHIBITED ON PUBLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS

No person shall be permitted to use tobacco products or tobacco substitutes as defined in 7 V.S.A. § 1001 on public school grounds ~~and no student shall be permitted to use tobacco~~ or at public school sponsored functions. ~~Each public school board shall adopt policies prohibiting the possession and use of tobacco products and tobacco substitutes by students at all times while under the supervision of school staff. These policies shall~~ Public school boards may adopt policies that include confiscation and appropriate referrals to law enforcement authorities.