Addressing ICAA exemptions through local ordinances

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Session overview

- Indoor Clean Air Act exemptions
- The smoke shop and hookah problem
- Local policy options
- Lessons from the field local action for clean indoor air
- Sharing of plans and needs



Oregon's Indoor Clean Air Act

- Enacted by the Legislature in 2007; effective Jan. 1, 2009
- "An employer shall provide a place of employment that is free of tobacco smoke for all employees."



Under Oregon's Smokefree Workplace Law this business is smokefree (ORS 433.835-870, effective January 1, 2009). Smoking is not allowed within 10 feet of building entrances, exits, windows and air intake vents.

For information and complaints: 1-866-621-6107 or www.healthoregon.org/smakefree

Want to quit smoking? 1-800-QUIT-NOW or 1-877-2NO-FUME (Españo)





Smokefree workplaces and public places

- Bars and taverns, including bar areas of restaurants
- Bowling centers
- Bingo halls
- Private and fraternal organizations
- Employee break rooms
- Restaurants
- Private offices and commercial office buildings
- Retail and wholesale
 establishments

- Manufacturing plants and mills
- Truck stops
- Child and adult day-care
- Assisted living facilities
- Movies theaters and indoor entertainment venues
- Hotels and motels (Exception: up to 25% of guest rooms may be designated as smoking rooms by the owner or entity in charge)
- Work vehicles that are not operated exclusively by one employee



Exceptions to the law

- Certified smoke shops
- Certified cigar bars
- Hotel or motel rooms that are designated as smoking allowed (may not exceed 25% of sleeping rooms)
- Smoking of non-commercial tobacco for American Indian ceremonial purposes



Other areas not covered by the ICAA

- Structures that do not meet the definition of "enclosed area"
- Any unenclosed area more than 10 feet from an entrance, exit, window that opens, air intake, or accessibility ramp leading to an enclosed structure.

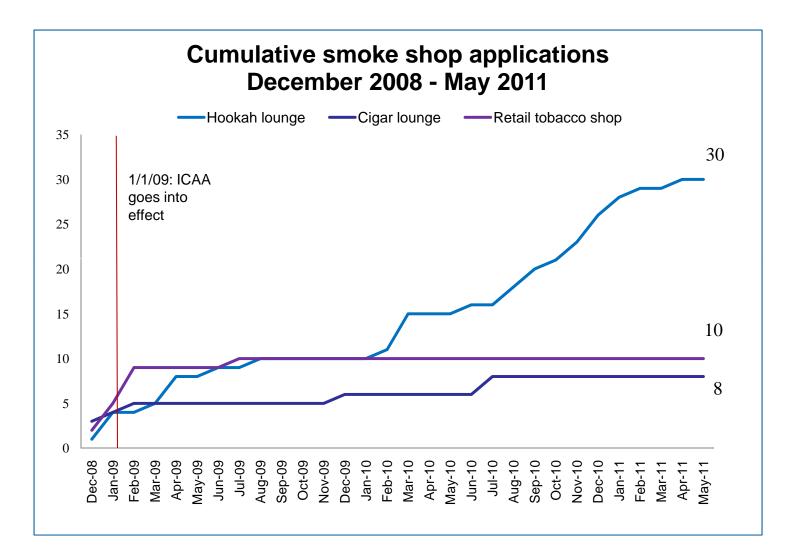


ICAA smoke shop exemption

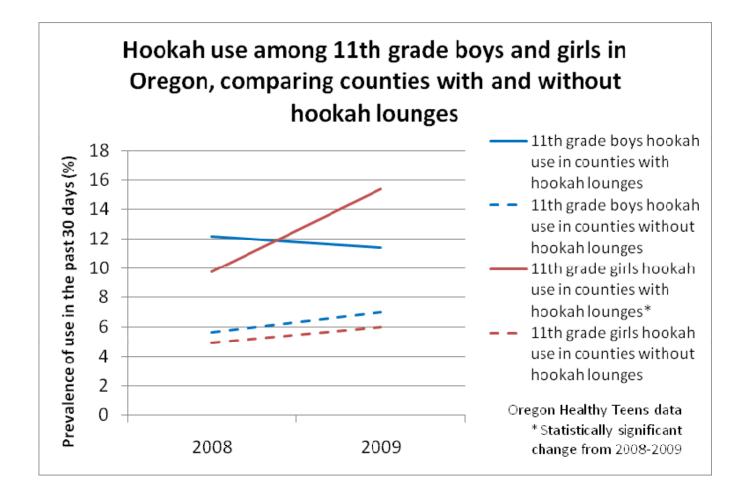
- Smoke shop certification requirements (2007 legislation)
 - At least 75 percent of gross revenues from sale of tobacco products and smoking instruments
 - Prohibits persons under 18 years of age
 - No video lottery games, social gaming or betting
 - No on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages
 - Is a stand-alone business
 - Applies to OHA and receives certification before allowing smoking on the premises

Legislative intent: To enable retail tobacco stores to allow customers to sample products

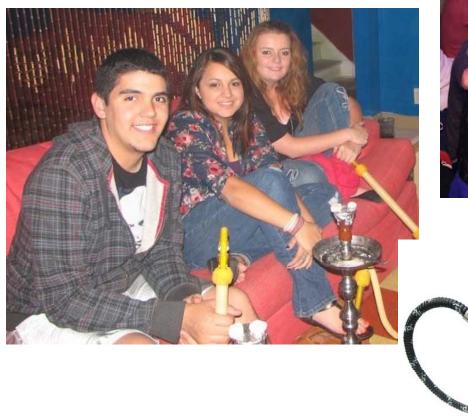














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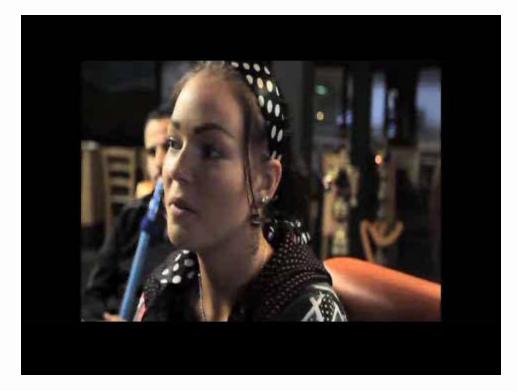


Peak PM_{2.5} in smoking lounges

EPA Air Quality Index	Business Type
Hazardous ≥251	Hookah Lounge
Very Unhealthy 151-250	Hookah Lounge
	Cigar Lounge
	Hookah Lounge
Unhealthy 66-150	Hookah Lounge
	Cigar Lounge
Sensitive Groups 41-65	Cigar Lounge
Moderate 16-40	Cigar Lounge
	Cigar Lounge
Good <u><</u> 15	Cigar Lounge
	Cigar Lounge



Media clip – hookah lounge





2011 legislation: HB 2726

- HB 2726 introduced to tighten the loophole in the smoke shop exemption:
 - 4-seat max capacity
 - Smoking for sampling purposes only
- Opposed by hookah lounges
- Negotiations and amendments
 - grandfather in existing hookah lounges
 - removal of stand-alone property requirement for some smoke shops (with ventilation system as alternative)



Local implications of HB 2726

- Grandfathered certified smoke shops may continue to operate with a smoking lounge environment
- Grandfathered smoke shops may relocate and grow in size
- Some establishments will allow smoking in malls
- New smoke shops may open with smoking allowed indoors anywhere in the state

Handout: ICAA Exemptions Comparison





Rolling back smokefree air laws

- Private clubs exemptions
- Removing stand-alone requirement
- Ventilation alternatives

• Comprehensive local ordinances provide protection against weakening of state law.



Opportunities for local action

- Local ordinance adoption preceded strong state law
- Preemption adopted in 2001
- Preemption removed in 2007
- County TPEP grantees leading the way for local action

PEOPLE EXPOSED TO SECONDHAND SMOKE AT WORK ARE 34% MORE LIKELY TO GET LUNG CANCER.



AND YOU THOUGHT THE LONG HOURS WERE KILLING YOU.

Everyone deserves smokefree air!

To add your name to the list of people who want smokefree air, call your Tobacco Prevention Goordinator. 682-4280



Local regulation of smoking

- A local government may enact local laws that are more restrictive than state law, regulating smoking
 - in ICAA-exempt workplaces (smoke shops, cigar bars, hotels/motels)
 - on government-owned properties
 - in areas not covered by state law (e.g. outdoor dining areas)
 - products not addressed in the ICAA (e.g. e-cigarettes or herbal shisha)
- Policies may be adopted by local government entities including cities and counties
 - County authority may be limited to unincorporated areas

What types of policies might a local government adopt for stronger smokefree air laws?



Potential local strategies include...

- Comprehensive local clean indoor air ordinance (no exemptions)
- Tobacco retail licensing
- Tobacco flavor sales ban





Grantee presentations

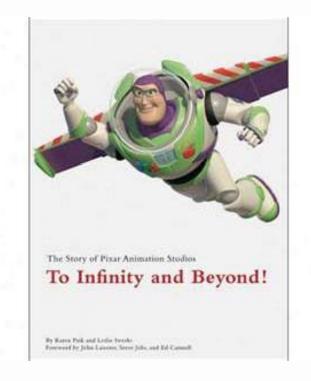
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Presentation slides will be posted to the meeting website.



Plans for local action

• What are county TPEP programs planning for FY 2011-2012 and beyond to address ICAA exemptions?





Questions: Carousel Walk

- Group 1: What barriers do you foresee towards local policy adoption?
- Group 2: What information would you need in order to move forward with local policy work to close ICAA loopholes?
- Group 3: What types of resources would you like developed to support this work?





Next steps

- Tobacco Retail Licensure/ ICAA exemptions workgroup open to all TPEP grantees
- Development of technical assistance resources
- Contact your HPCDP liaison with questions, consultation, or to discuss adding this to your workplan if not already included
- Please refer any inquiries from potential smoke shop applicants to Andrew Epstein at HPCDP.





Resources

- Tobacco Control Network recordings and materials from webinars and teleconferences related to smokefree air policy <u>http://www.ttac.org/tcn/materials/</u>
- Americans for Nonsmokers' Right Information and resources for campaigns to enact local smokefree indoor air laws <u>http://no-</u> <u>smoke.org/goingsmokefree.php?id=110</u>
- Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids Fact sheets and resources related to smokefree laws <u>http://www.tobaccofreekids.org/what_we_do/state_local/smoke_free</u>_laws/



Questions?



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