

### A Smoking Ban Even Further

Few things can stir up a debate as heated as the problem of smoking in public. The case for the ban <sup>on</sup> of smoking in enclosed spaces is very strong and managed to make <sup>a</sup> significant headway toward more healthy public spaces. However, this has not solved the problem completely and the argument escalated into a discussion about an even stricter prohibition on smoking – that is, the ban <sup>on</sup> of smoking outdoors.

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The argument of the proponents is as strong as ever. Hardly anyone will dare to oppose the serious health related issues that come with smoking. Despite there being more space for the smoke to disperse in, the levels of tobacco near smokers outside are comparable to indoors. Some evidence shows increased risks of cancer, respiratory and heart disease even after transient exposure to tobacco smoke.

However, this time around, the opponents of the ban seem to have the upper hand. In comparison to the ban of smoking indoors, the case for the ban of smoking outdoors is much weaker. Much of the evidence reporting increased health problems seems to conflate short-term exposure with the negative problems known to be associated mainly with repeated exposure. The ban may provide a symbolic victory, but at the risk of undermining the scientific credibility and goals of the antismoke movement.

In conclusion, while nobody can be denied the entitlement of <sup>a</sup> healthy living environment the ban <sup>on</sup> of smoking outdoors may be going too far. It strays away from from more acute issues at hand and feels to be motivated more by the hate of tobacco smoke than the consideration of public health. It would be more favourable for the antismoke movement to focus their attention somewhere, where they can make a more meaningful impact.

Excellent work.

good into  
good development of argument

Excellent language!!

little to add (thanks!) -

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