

# Help protect Alberta kids

Have your say on tobacco and vaping legislation



## **The Alberta government wants your input on youth vaping legislation**

The provincial government recently launched a public consultation on youth vaping legislation and other possible amendments to the *Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act*.

The rates of youth vaping almost tripled in Alberta between 2015 and 2017 with over 35,000 school-aged youth now using vaping products.

Flavoured, disguised and appealing vaping products like Juul, Vype and Logic are largely to blame for the explosive rise in teen vaping according to various health organizations. These products contain high levels of nicotine in a new formulation that makes them particularly addictive.

Schools across Alberta are struggling to address youth vaping and many have resorted to suspensions and other punitive measures in an attempt to address this escalating problem.

Health groups believe that strong provincial legislation is required to stop tobacco and vaping companies from targeting youth. The Campaign for a Smoke-Free Alberta is urging the government to align restrictions on the sale, use, promotion and display of vaping products with those on tobacco products.

Alberta and Saskatchewan are the only provinces that have not passed laws to regulate vaping products.

To provide your input proposed vaping legislation please visit <https://protectalbertakids.ca/take-action/>.