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Rep. Barnhart's statement on the failure of HB 4115

"I am disappointed that HB 4115 will not go forward this Session, but I welcome the opportunity to participate in a work group on the issue. We were unable to secure enough votes in the Senate this year. It is imperative that we protect our young people from nicotine, one of the most addicting drugs we know about."

The bill would also protect our indoor air from nicotine and other dangerous chemicals in places where smoking already is not allowed.

"I expect HB 4115 or something very like it will pass in 2015, but it won't be easy. Big Tobacco will do whatever it takes to initiate and maintain addiction to nicotine in order to protect its sales."

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