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Governor

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State Health Commissioner

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Dear Indiana Employer:

I am pleased to announce that Indiana legislators have enacted Indiana's first statewide smoke-free air law. House Enrolled Act 1149 was signed into law by Governor Mitch Daniels on March 19, 2012 and will take effect July 1, 2012. Under the new law, smoking will be prohibited in most places of employment and public places, and within eight feet of a public entrance to these facilities.

The purpose of this new law is to protect Hoosier workers and patrons from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke. Mounting evidence continues to prove that secondhand smoke causes lung cancer, heart disease, and serious respiratory problems. Tens of thousands of deaths across the U.S. result from exposure to secondhand smoke, including nearly 1,240 annual deaths in our state alone. The U.S. Surgeon General has concluded that there is no risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke, and only smoke-free laws provide effective protection from secondhand smoke.

There is overwhelming support for this new law among Indiana residents. Based on the successes and experiences of the 42 Indiana municipalities and numerous Indiana businesses that have gone smoke free, as well as the 3,469 other smoke free municipalities and 39 states across the nation, we are certain that enforcement will be minimal because most businesses and customers will voluntarily comply with the new law.

The Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Commission of the Indiana State Department of Health has developed a business education kit to assist you in preparing for the implementation of this new law. Enclosed with this letter are resources that will help ease the transition process.

The packet includes:

- A brochure with information about the new law and enforcement instructions
- Examples of frequently asked questions
- Tips for training employees and talking to customers
- "No Smoking" signage
- A website where you can find more information about the new law
- Information on how to report a violation
- 1-800-Quit-Now resources to provide to employees who want to quit

Thank you for your voluntary compliance with the new law and for protecting your employees and patrons from the hazards of secondhand smoke.

Sincerely,

GREGORY N. LARKIN, MD, FAAFP  
STATE HEALTH COMMISSIONER

# Breathe Easy Materials Order Form

Complete this form to order additional smoke-free business tools.  
Fax the completed form to Indiana State Department of Health  
Tobacco Prevention and Cessation at 317-234-1786.



## Business Information

Name of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Business Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

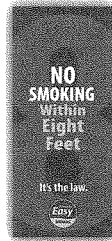
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Materials Needed

Please fill in the quantity of each item you wish to receive.

### Smoke-Free Window Clings (Limit 10)

1. No Smoking in this Facility: Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

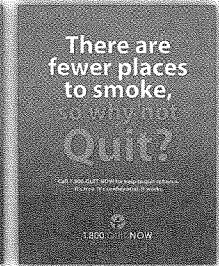
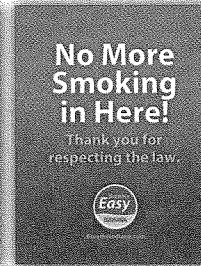
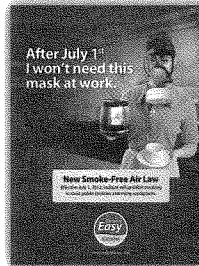


Window Clings

2. No Smoking Within 8 Feet: Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

### Posters (Limit 10)

1. New Smoke-Free Air Law: Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

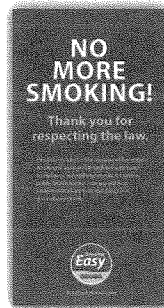


Posters

2. No More Smoking in Here: Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

3. 1.800.QUIT.NOW: Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Table Tents (Limit 500): Quantity \_\_\_\_\_



Coasters

Coasters (Limit 500): Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Table Tent

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