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This bill needs to be supported and passed. I am one living with asthma and though secondhand smoke may not bother you, it is a health hazard to me and millions of people like me. You may not notice the smell of smoke when you walk into a room, but those of us with asthma will find our breathing affected within a matter of minutes. Not to mention the dangers of fire hazards cause by smokers who fall asleep smoking and burn down buildings, possibly killing others in the building too.

Some are saying cleaning up the smell is covered in the security deposit. I beg to differ; smoke smell cannot be erased without repainting the entire unit and having every curtain and carpeting sterilized. The cost of repainting units is highly prohibitive and only adds to higher rents. I find it odd that a committee on housing and homelessness would be in favor of such a thing.

Pass HB 4120 and breath freely.