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Smoking is harmful to everyone's health, as well as secondhand smoke. Smoke seeps into a room's walls, carpeting, ceiling, flooring and other surfaces making it impossible to remove the odor once a tenant moves out, reducing the attraction to rent the unit to future tenants. With housing already being in short supply, we don't need to add to the problem for tenants to find a suitable place to call home.

Because smoke smelling dwellings are harder to rent, it reduces market value decreasing the amount of rent landlords can charge.