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Title: Raise the Minimum Age of Legal Access to Tobacco to 21 Years
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Referred to: Reaffirmation Calendar
House Action: **REAFFIRM**

Whereas, over the past 50 years, tobacco control in the United States has led to an estimated eight million fewer premature deaths, and

Whereas, tobacco use continues to significantly affect public health, and more than 40 million Americans still smoke, and

Whereas, a recent Institute of Medicine report¹ projected a 12 percent decrease in smoking prevalence if the minimum age of legal access to tobacco products was raised to 21 years; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the American Medical Association (AMA) ask our AMA to work with Congress to raise the minimum age of legal access to tobacco products to 21 years.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE

¹ Institute of Medicine. Public health implications of raising the minimum age of legal access to tobacco products. Accessed on March 29, 2016 at <http://iom.nationalacademies.org/Reports/2015/TobaccoMinimumAgeReport.aspx>