

Dear ENT Advocacy Network Member:

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Legislative and political activity directly affects our practices and our patients. As a leading advocate for otolaryngology-head and neck surgery, we hope you enjoy reading this edition of The ENT Advocate, your premier source of advocacy information for the specialty!

AAO-HNS Supports Introduction of Comprehensive Tobacco Control Legislation

The AAO-HNS [joined more than 50 public health organizations in expressing strong support](#) for the *Reversing the Youth Tobacco Epidemic Act of 2019* ([H.R. 2339](#)). This new legislation, introduced by U.S. Representatives Frank Pallone (D-NJ) and Donna Shalala (D-FL), addresses youth use of tobacco products. The bill is one of several bipartisan proposals introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate attempting to curb the youth tobacco epidemic.

Are You Prepared for August Recess?

The Academy provides numerous opportunities for its members to influence health policy at the state and federal level, educate elected officials, and invest in the future of otolaryngology. One of the best ways to make your voice heard on behalf of the specialty is by participating in the In-District Grassroots Outreach (I-GO) program.

lawmaker or their staff at their local office or inviting them to tour your practice are also effective ways to engage with policymakers. [To learn more about the I-Go program, or request a meeting with your state or federal legislators, be sure to check out the June edition of the *Bulletin*.](#)

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As part of the AAO-HNS/F 2019 Leadership Forum & BOG Spring Meeting last month, AAO-HNS physician leaders advocated on Capitol Hill as multiple pieces of legislation have been introduced in the U.S. House and Senate. On Tuesday, May 21, the

Sincerely,

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