

# Time for Wisconsin to get on board

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What do Illinois and Minnesota have that Wisconsin doesn't? We're not thinking football teams with lousier records than the Packers. They both have laws that ban smoking in public places. Minnesota's is already in effect and the Illinois law goes into effect Jan. 1.

It's time for Wisconsin to join the club, instead of being the last haze-filled state in the Midwest.

There are sponsors for smoke-free bills in both houses of the legislature and it's time to move forward with those bills.

This is simply a case in which caring for the public health of Wisconsinites trumps the desire to have a business in which people can smoke. For patrons and especially for employees stuck in eight-hour shifts in a smoke-filled environment, the risks known from second-hand smoke are apparent.

Smoke-free is the route Wisconsin should take.

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