

VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST

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Chief Ron Coleman, President
International Association Of Fire Chiefs
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Dear Ron,

Enclosed is a copy of a resolution that was approved by the President and Board of the Great Lakes Division. It is my understanding that the Joint Council will be meeting on the 30 January 1989 to discuss the legislative agenda for the Fire Service. We hope that the Boucher Bill is an item for discussion and as stated in the resolution that the IAFC supports that bill.

There are some areas of the fire service that feel that the three year study on the fire safe cigarette issue is long enough and that a standard should be developed. As pointed out in the Technical Study Group to Congress more work needs to be done before we can develop a meaningful standard.

If the I. A. F. C. is to be a responsible leader and the voice of the Fire Chiefs the Great Lakes Division Board feels that we must support the Boucher Bill and not the legislation that calls for a fire safe cigarette standard in one year.

Appreciate anything you can do in this matter.

Sincerely,

Chief Charles Henrici
Illinois State Vice President

Fire Safety is Everybody's Business

THE GREAT LAKES DIVISION
OF THE
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HR-4497
THE FIRE SAFE CIGARETTE IMPLEMENTATION ACT OF 1988

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Division of the International Association of Fire Chiefs is a strong proponent of fire safe cigarettes; AND

WHEREAS, the Federal Government's Interagency Committee and Technical Study Group on Cigarette and Little Cigar Fire Safety has submitted a report to Congress under the Cigarette Safety Act of 1984; AND

WHEREAS, that report calls for additional research into the commercial feasibility and health implications of fire safe cigarettes; AND

WHEREAS, Representative R. Boucher has introduced HR 4497 in the United States House of Representatives which calls for the implementation of the recommendations of the Interagency Committee and the Technical Study Group on cigarette and little cigar fire safety and the funding for such implementation; AND

WHEREAS, additional legislation has been proposed to mandate the development of a standard for fire safe cigarettes within one year; AND

WHEREAS, mandating a fire safe cigarette standard within one year is not a responsible approach to this problem at this time and additional study needs to be carried out; AND

WHEREAS, the Fire Service need to continue supporting the efforts of the Interagency Committee and Technical Study Group.