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Smoking ban is un-American

Tuesday's editorial on the state smoking ban asked the question, "And why shouldn't a municipality adopt a tougher ordinance if its residents want one?"

Indeed! And why shouldn't a municipality be able to adopt a milder ordinance if its residents want one?

And for that matter, why shouldn't a smoking bar or restaurant owner, with only smoking staff and serving only smoking customers and their willing friends, be allowed to have smoking?

To forbid such a choice is so un-American it stinks a lot worse than any smoke ever would.

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