

## PA Clean Indoor Air Law



The PA Clean Indoor Air Law regulates smoking in three areas: restaurants, work places, and other public places.



Under the law, restaurants with seating of OVER 75 patrons must provide a non-smoking section separated by seating and posting signs in the separate areas. Seating UNDER 75 patrons, restaurants are required to post signs in door ways that they do NOT have a non-smoking section, if that is the case.

### Preemption

#### TAKES AWAY LOCAL CONTROL....



Preemption is a provision in a state law that eliminates the power of local governments to regulate tobacco. Currently in PA, Section 15.1 of the PA Fire and Panic Act preempts local clean indoor air laws. This prevents local communities from passing ordinances to protect their residents from the health effects of tobacco smoke.

#### ACTION STEPS



- Frequent smoke-free restaurants.
- Politely encourage the manager/owner of the restaurant to make it smoke-free by offering them CSFV's Smoke Free Dining is Good Business brochure. (Call 610-402-4855 for some **FREE** copies)
- Write letters to the editor of your local paper expressing your views on local control and the health risks of tobacco smoke.