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### Outline

#### INTRODUCTION

- I. China is the leading consumer of tobacco in the world, with one in three cigarettes consumed in the world is in China. (this is the attention-getter)
- II. Public smoking is an issue that receives equal share of attention from both non-smokers and smokers. (relationship with the audience)
- III. The proponents of banning public smoking argue that it passively harms non-smokers. On the other hand, the opponents argue that the government has no right to limit their behavior provided it is legal. (this is a preview of main points)
- V. The purpose of this paper is to persuade the banning of smoking tobacco in public areas, such as restaurants and airports in China. (this is the topic)

### **BODY**

**I. Pro:** Smoking is one of the dangerous habits.

**Con:** Passive smokers to some extent choose to breathe the second hand smoke.

II. Pro: One cannot evade second hand smoke.

Con: Ventilation fans can eliminate most second hand smoke rather than

implementing a complete ban.

- III. Pro: A complete ban on public smoking would encourage cigarette smokers to give up their habit or smoke less. Chinese government spends a significant amount of money on treating smoking-associated diseases.
  Con: The government has no right to make people stop their legal habit of smoking. Smokers finance their healthcare by paying taxes as they buy tobacco.
- IV. **Pro:** Banning smoking in public places would improve productivity both at work place and at home. The financial costs decrease productivity and increased absenteeism from smokers are significant in countries such as Taiwan.

**Con:** Banning public smoking is likely to increase smoking at home and in cars. This is likely to affect other people at home, especially children since children are not mature enough to decide freely to smoke passively.

V. It is significant to safeguard people's health than safeguarding businesses. Social pubs and clubs need to adapt, for instance, by selling more food in order to earn more money.

## **CONCLUSION**

Banning smoking in public places will significantly help in safeguarding nonsmokers from the passive smoke, which has caused millions of death since 1964. Therefore, the Chinese government should criminalize smoking in public places.