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from the Illinois Senate

*State Senator Jacqueline Y. Collins*

*State Senator Heather Steans*

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## Media Advisory

**CHICAGO** – State Sen. Jacqueline Y. Collins (D - 16<sup>th</sup> District) will join fellow state Sen. Heather Steans (D - 7<sup>th</sup> District), public health advocates and other elected officials on Monday for a press conference on the dangers of flavored cigarettes and alcoholic energy drinks among Illinois youth.

Collins and Steans are both lead sponsors of legislation to strengthen protections against harmful products that appeal to minors.

Collins' Senate Bill 2825 would ban the sale of flavored cigarettes in Illinois. Steans' Senate Bill 2472 would require improved labeling on "alcopop" energy drinks to distinguish them from non-alcoholic beverages.

**WHAT:** Press conference on the dangers of flavored cigarettes and "alcopop" energy drinks

**WHO:** State Sen. Jacqueline Collins  
State Sen. Heather Steans

**WHEN:** Monday, March 24, 2008  
1:00pm

**WHERE:** James R. Thompson Center  
Room 15-301  
100 W. Randolph St.

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