Subject: Re: smoking ban in uk...

Posted by cheesesoda on Tue, 29 May 2007 16:23:59 GMT

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warranto wrote on Tue, 29 May 2007 08:45regardless, I still find it enjoyable to see people argue about these made-up rights, just so they can make themselves look, well, "right".

I have to admit I'm a bit ignorant on American rights, but after looking through your Constitution and Bill of Rights, I couldn't find anything relating to this "right" you say exists. Perhaps I missed it though...

What "made up" rights? My right to live my life as I see fit? Ninth Amendment.

As for you people who still argue that it's against your rights for people to smoke in buildings where you are present (especially the Americans)... GET THIS THROUGH YOUR HEADS: YOU ARE NOT BEING FORCED TO GO INTO THOSE ESTABLISHMENTS. THEREFORE, YOU ARE CONSCIOUSLY GOING THERE KNOWING THAT IT IS A SMOKY ENVIRONMENT. IN DOING SO, YOU TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR ACTIONS.

How hard is it understand that if you're not forced to go somewhere that is "unhealthy", but you choose to anyway, you're at fault for any health complications that arise?

I'm not being an advocate for smokers. I think it's a horrible habit to get into, but it's not a decision I am to make for individuals or businesses. I understand that there are differences in countries and governments, but I feel that the right to live your life the way you see fit as long as you don't impede on the rights of others should be an inalienable right. However, the rights of others are only under protection when they're on their own, private property or on government-owned property (streets, government buildings, state/national parks, etc...).