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HSA CHARGES MAN FOR ALLEGED IMPORTATION OF MORE THAN 2,800 E-VAPORISERS AND RELATED COMPONENTS

The Health Sciences Authority (HSA) has charged a 55-year-old man, Lai Mun Leong in court on 19 November 2025 for allegedly importing e-vaporisers and related components into Singapore.

- 2 On 17 November 2025, officers from the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority (ICA) at Tuas Checkpoint found 2,830 e-vaporisers and related components in a Singapore-registered car that Lai was driving. HSA was alerted and investigations are ongoing.
- 3 The case has been adjourned to 17 December 2025.
- 4 Under the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act, it is an offence to import, distribute, sell or offer for sale e-vaporisers and their components. Any person convicted of an offence is liable to a fine of up to \$10,000, or imprisonment of up to six months or both for the first offence, and a fine of up to \$20,000, or imprisonment of up to 12 months or both for the second or subsequent offence.

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About the Health Sciences Authority (HSA)

The Health Sciences Authority (HSA) applies medical, pharmaceutical and scientific expertise through its three professional groups, Health Products Regulation, Blood Services and Applied Sciences, to protect and advance national health and safety. HSA is a multidisciplinary authority. It serves as the national regulator for health products, ensuring they are wisely regulated to meet standards of safety, quality and efficacy. As the national blood service, it is responsible for providing a safe and adequate blood supply. It also applies specialised scientific, forensic, investigative and analytical capabilities in serving the administration of justice. For more details, visit http://www.hsa.gov.sg.

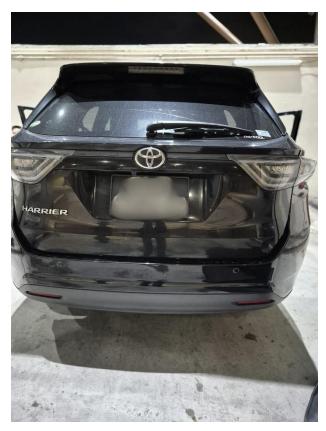
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The Health Products Regulation Group (HPRG) of HSA ensures that medicines, innovative therapeutics, medical devices and health-related products are wisely regulated and meet appropriate safety, quality and efficacy standards. It contributes to the development of biomedical sciences in Singapore by administering a robust, scientific and responsive regulatory framework.

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