
DIGEST

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HB No. 208

Abstract: Adds alternative nicotine products to prohibitions regarding the possession, sales, and purchasing of tobacco products involving minors.

Present law provides for the unlawful possession, sales, purchase, and distribution of tobacco products to minors.

Proposed law adds alternative nicotine products to the present law prohibitions.

Proposed law defines "alternative nicotine product" to mean a product, including an electronic cigarette, that consists of or contains nicotine that can be ingested into the body by chewing, absorbing, dissolving, or inhaling, or by any other means.

Proposed law defines "electronic cigarette" to mean a product or device that produces a vapor that delivers nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device to simulate smoking and is likely to be offered to or purchased by consumers as an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, or electronic pipe.

Present law provides in order to prevent persons under 18 years of age from purchasing or receiving tobacco products from vending machines or self-service displays, the sale or delivery of tobacco products through a vending machine or self-service display is prohibited.

Proposed law adds alternative nicotine products to the present law prohibitions.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 14:91.6(A) and 91.8(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F)(1) and (2)(intro. para.) and (c), and (H) and R.S. 26:909(A)(3), 910(intro. para.) and (2), 910.1(A), and 911(A)(intro. para.) and (1), (2), and (3); Adds R.S. 14:91.6(B)(6) and (7) and 91.8(G)(6) and (7) and R.S. 26:901(28) and (29))