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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 224()

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Offered: Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE SEATON

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act prohibiting the sale or gift of a product containing nicotine to a minor under certain conditions."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 11.76 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 11.76.109. Selling or giving product containing nicotine to a minor. (a) A person commits the offense of selling or giving a product containing nicotine to a minor if the person

- (1) negligently sells a product containing nicotine to a person under 19 years of age; or
- (2) is 19 years of age or older and negligently exchanges or gives a product containing nicotine to a person under 19 years of age.
- (b) The provisions of (a) of this section do not apply to the sale, exchange, or gift to a person under 19 years of age of a product containing nicotine that is intended or expected to be consumed without being combusted if the product

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	(1)	has	been	approved	by	the	United	States	Food	and	Drug
Administratio	n for	sale a	s a to	bacco use	cessa	ation	or harm	reducti	ion pro	duct	or for
other medical	purpo	ses;									

- (2) is being marketed and sold solely for the approved purposes; and
- (3) is prescribed by a health care professional or given to a person under 19 years of age by the person's parent or legal guardian.
- (c) In this section, "product containing nicotine" does not include a cigarette, a cigar, tobacco, or a product containing tobacco.
- (d) Selling or giving a product containing nicotine to a minor is a violation and, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not less than \$300.