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SENATE BILL 89

Minimal Age for Tobacco and E-Cigarettes: "T-21"

SUMMARY of CHANGES

(from version B to version S)

Reflected version S:

Change #1: Page 3, lines 17-19

The fine for a violation for underage possession was reduced from up to \$300, to up to **\$150**. A provision was also added for the court to offer a defendant, in lieu of paying a fine, the option of participating in an educational program on the risks of tobacco use;

Change #2: Page 9, line 30

Added the tax on E-Cigs is "25% of the **retail** sales price" of the products;

Change #3: Page 10, 19-20

Added the **definition of Hemp** products, given hemp products are being exempted from the tax program;

Change #4: Page 12, after line 2

Deleted from version B was a subsection on tax credits and refunds, as they apply to wholesale tax structure, and this is a retail tax program;

Change #5: Page 12, lines 17-19

Added an allowance for tax proceeds to be used for relief for schools in contracting with health advocates conducting smoking cessation seminars and installation of vaping detection devices;

Change #6: Page 14, line 23

Increased the limit of nicotine concentration from 20 mg/mL, to **60** mg/mL;

Change #7: Page 16, line 18

Under the definition of "retailer," added "...in the business of **selling** [ESPs] at retail;"

Change #8: Page 21, line 25

Moved the effective date from July 1, 2023 to **January 1, 2024**. This change also resulted in deleting Sections 2 and 10 from version B, as they were technical in nature.