

Electronic Cigarettes; HB 2324

HB 2324 creates new crimes concerning minors and electronic cigarettes, which the bill defines. Specifically, it is unlawful to sell, furnish, or distribute electronic cigarettes to any person under 18 years of age and, with some exceptions, to sell electronic cigarettes by means of a vending machine in any establishment open to minors or a self-service display in any establishment. It also requires a retail dealer to add "electronic cigarettes" to the sign explaining cigarettes and tobacco products cannot be sold to minors. Further, it is unlawful for any person under 18 to purchase, attempt to purchase, possess, or attempt to possess electronic cigarettes. Finally, the bill adds the term "electronic cigarettes" to the Tobacco Products Act where necessary to allow the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control to enforce the provisions governing electronic cigarettes.