



State of Tennessee
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 501

HOUSE BILL NO. 1729

By Representatives Armstrong, Favors, Tindell, Stewart

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 910

By Senator Overbey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 15 and Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 1, relative to electronic cigarettes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1501, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

This part shall be known and may be cited as the "Prevention of Youth Access to Tobacco and Electronic Cigarettes Act".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1502, is amended by inserting the following language immediately following the first sentence of the section:

The purpose of this part is also to prohibit the sale or distribution of electronic cigarettes to, or purchase of electronic cigarettes on behalf of, persons under eighteen (18) years of age.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1503, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() "Electronic cigarette" means an electronic device that converts nicotine into a vapor that is inhaled by the user;

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1504, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() It is unlawful for any person to sell or distribute any electronic cigarette to another person who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age or to purchase an electronic cigarette on behalf of such person under eighteen (18) years of age.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: May 21, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 16th day of June 2011



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR