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Sponsored by: Senator JOSEPH F. VITALE District 19 (Middlesex) Senator LORETTA WEINBERG District 37 (Bergen)

SYNOPSIS

Prohibits sale of tobacco products and electronic smoking devices at pharmacies and certain businesses with on-site pharmacies.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee on September 10, 2019, with amendments.



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AN ACT concerning tobacco and electronic smoking devices and supplementing Title 2A of the New Jersey Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. a. No person, either directly or indirectly by an agent or employee, or by a vending machine located on the premises, shall sell or offer for sale at a pharmacy practice site that has been issued a permit under P.L.2003, c.280 (C.45:14-40 et seq.) ¹, or at a business entity that has a pharmacy practice site located on its premises ¹:
- (1) any cigarettes made of tobacco or of any other matter or substance which can be smoked, or any cigarette paper or tobacco in any form, including smokeless tobacco; or
- (2) any electronic smoking device that can be used to deliver nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, or pipe, or any cartridge or other component of the device or related product.
- b. Nothing in subsection a. of this section shall be construed to prohibit a pharmacy practice site ¹or business entity that has a pharmacy practice site located on its premises ¹ from selling or offering for sale smoking cessation products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration ¹, and nothing in subsection a. of this section shall be construed to prohibit a pharmacy practice site, or a business entity that has a pharmacy practice site located on its premises, that has been issued a medical cannabis dispensary permit pursuant to P.L.2009, c.307 (C.24:6I-1 et al.), from dispensing medical cannabis in any authorized form, as well as paraphernalia and related supplies, to registered qualifying patients ¹.
- c. The owner of a pharmacy practice site ¹or a business entity that has a pharmacy practice site located on its premises ¹ that violates the provisions of subsection a. of this section shall be liable to a civil penalty of not less than \$250 for the first violation, not less than \$500 for the second violation, and \$1,000 for the third and each subsequent violation. The civil penalty shall be collected pursuant to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.), in a summary proceeding before the municipal court having jurisdiction. An official authorized by statute or ordinance to enforce the State or local health codes or a law enforcement officer having enforcement authority in that municipality may issue a summons for a violation of the provisions

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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of subsection a. of this section, and may serve and execute all process with respect to the enforcement of this section consistent with the Rules of Court. A penalty recovered under the provisions of this subsection shall be recovered by and in the name of the State by the local health agency. The penalty shall be paid into the treasury of the municipality in which the violation occurred for the general uses of the municipality.

d. In addition to the provisions of subsection c. of this section, a pharmacy practice site at which a violation of subsection a. of this section occurs may be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Pharmacy ¹, and a business entity that has a pharmacy practice site located on its premises at which a violation of subsection a. of this section occurs may be subject to disciplinary action by an agency, board, office, or other appropriate governmental entity having jurisdiction ¹.

2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month next following the date of enactment.