

SENATE BILL 286: Regulate the Sale of E-Liquid Containers

This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

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SUMMARY: The PCS to S286 prohibits the sale of e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging and creates a new Class A1 misdemeanor for a violation of the provisions prohibiting the sale of e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging. Any person, firm, or corporation would also be liable for damages as a result of selling e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging.

BILL ANALYSIS:

The PCS to S286 prohibits the sale, offer of sale, or introduction into commerce, of e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging. Child-resistant packaging is defined in the bill as:

Packaging that is designed or constructed to be significantly difficult for children under five years of age to open or obtain a toxic or harmful amount of the substance contained therein within a reasonable time and not difficult for adults to use properly, but does not mean packing which all such children cannot open or obtain a toxic or harmful amount within a reasonable time.

The term e-liquid filled container does not include a container holding liquid that is intended for use in a vapor product if the container is pre-filled and sealed by the manufacturer and is not intended to be opened by the consumer.

Senate bill 286 creates a new Class A1 misdemeanor for a violation of the provisions prohibiting the sale of e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging. Any person, firm, or corporation in violation would also be liable in damages as a result of selling e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

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