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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 675/1.5 new 720 ILCS 675/2

from Ch. 23, par. 2358

Amends the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Minors and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. Provides that a person, either directly or indirectly by an agent or employee, or by a vending machine owned by the person or located in the person's establishment, may not sell, offer for sale, give, or furnish any alternative nicotine product, or any cartridge or component of an alternative nicotine product, to a person under 18 years of age. Provides that before selling, offering for sale, giving, or furnishing an alternative nicotine product, or any cartridge or component of an alternative nicotine product, to another person, the person selling, offering for sale, giving, or furnishing the alternative nicotine product shall verify that the person is at least 18 years of age by: (1) examining from any person that appears to be under 27 years of age a government-issued photographic identification that establishes the person is at least 18 years of age or (2) for sales made though the Internet or other remote sales methods, performing an age verification through an independent, third-party age verification service that compares information available from public records to the personal information entered by the person during the ordering process that establishes the person is 18 years of age or older. Establishes penalties.

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Prevention of Tobacco Use by Minors and Sale
and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act is amended by changing
Section 2 and adding Section 1.5 as follows:

7 (720 ILCS 675/1.5 new)

8 <u>Sec. 1.5. Distribution of alternative nicotine products to</u> 9 persons under 18 years of age prohibited.

(a) For the purposes of this Section, "alternative nicotine 10 product" means a product or device not consisting of or 11 12 containing tobacco that provides for the ingestion into the body of nicotine, whether by chewing, smoking, absorbing, 13 14 dissolving, inhaling, snorting, sniffing, or by any other means. "Alternative nicotine product" excludes cigarettes, 15 smokeless tobacco, or other tobacco products as these terms are 16 17 defined in Section 1 of this Act and any product approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration as a non-tobacco 18 19 product for sale as a tobacco cessation product, as a tobacco dependence product, or for other medical purposes, and is being 20 21 marketed and sold solely for that approved purpose.

22 (b) A person, either directly or indirectly by an agent or 23 employee, or by a vending machine owned by the person or 1 located in the person's establishment, may not sell, offer for 2 sale, give, or furnish any alternative nicotine product, or any 3 cartridge or component of an alternative nicotine product, to a 4 person under 18 years of age.

5 <u>(c) Before selling, offering for sale, giving, or</u> 6 <u>furnishing an alternative nicotine product, or any cartridge or</u> 7 <u>component of an alternative nicotine product, to another</u> 8 <u>person, the person selling, offering for sale, giving, or</u> 9 <u>furnishing the alternative nicotine product shall verify that</u> 10 the person is at least 18 years of age by:

11 <u>(1) examining from any person that appears to be under</u> 12 <u>27 years of age a government-issued photographic</u> 13 <u>identification that establishes the person is at least 18</u> 14 <u>years of age or</u>

15 <u>(2) for sales made though the Internet or other remote</u> 16 <u>sales methods, performing an age verification through an</u> 17 <u>independent, third-party age verification service that</u> 18 <u>compares information available from public records to the</u> 19 <u>personal information entered by the person during the</u> 20 <u>ordering process that establishes the person is 18 years of</u> 21 <u>age or older.</u>

22 (720 ILCS 675/2) (from Ch. 23, par. 2358)

23 Sec. 2. Penalties.

(a) Any person who violates subsection (a), (a-5), or (a-6)
of Section 1 <u>or Section 1.5</u> of this Act is guilty of a petty

offense and for the first offense shall be fined \$200, \$400 for the second offense in a 12-month period, and \$600 for the third or any subsequent offense in a 12-month period.

4 (b) If a minor violates subsection (a-7) of Section 1 he or 5 she is guilty of a petty offense and the court may impose a 6 sentence of 15 hours of community service or a fine of \$25 for 7 a first violation.

8 (c) A second violation by a minor of subsection (a-7) of 9 Section 1 that occurs within 12 months after the first 10 violation is punishable by a fine of \$50 and 25 hours of 11 community service.

12 (d) A third or subsequent violation by a minor of 13 subsection (a-7) of Section 1 that occurs within 12 months 14 after the first violation is punishable by a \$100 fine and 30 15 hours of community service.

(e) Any second or subsequent violation not within the
12-month time period after the first violation is punishable as
provided for a first violation.

19 (f) If a minor is convicted of or placed on supervision for 20 a violation of subsection (a-7) of Section 1, the court may, in 21 its discretion, and upon recommendation by the State's 22 Attorney, order that minor and his or her parents or legal 23 quardian to attend a smoker's education or youth diversion 24 program if that program is available in the jurisdiction where 25 the offender resides. Attendance at a smoker's education or 26 youth diversion program shall be time-credited against any

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1 community service time imposed for any first violation of 2 subsection (a-7) of Section 1. In addition to any other penalty 3 that the court may impose for a violation of subsection (a-7) 4 of Section 1, the court, upon request by the State's Attorney, 5 may in its discretion require the offender to remit a fee for 6 his or her attendance at a smoker's education or youth 7 diversion program.

8 (g) For purposes of this Section, "smoker's education 9 program" or "youth diversion program" includes, but is not 10 limited to, a seminar designed to educate a person on the 11 physical and psychological effects of smoking tobacco products 12 and the health consequences of smoking tobacco products that 13 can be conducted with a locality's youth diversion program.

(h) All moneys collected as fines for violations of
subsection (a), (a-5), (a-6), or (a-7) of Section 1 shall be
distributed in the following manner:

17 (1) one-half of each fine shall be distributed to the
18 unit of local government or other entity that successfully
19 prosecuted the offender; and

20 (2) one-half shall be remitted to the State to be used
21 for enforcing this Act.

22 (Source: P.A. 96-179, eff. 8-10-09.)

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