

**Act No. 135 (H.217). Health; occupational health; smoking; schools; child care facilities; motor vehicles**

**An act relating to smoking in lodging establishments, hospitals, and child care facilities, and on State lands**

This act prohibits smoking in hotel rooms, designated smoke-free areas of property or grounds owned by or leased to the State of Vermont, and any other area within 25 feet of State-owned buildings and offices. It also prohibits smoking on the grounds of any hospital or secure residential recovery facility owned or operated by the State. The act bans the use of electronic cigarettes on public school grounds. It also prohibits smoking tobacco or electronic cigarettes on the indoor and outdoor premises of a licensed child care center or afterschool program at any time and, for licensed or registered family child care homes when children are present and in care, on the indoor premises and any outdoor area designated for child care.

The act prohibits smoking in a car occupied by a child eight years of age or younger. It also bans the sale of liquid or gel substances containing nicotine in Vermont unless the product is contained in child-resistant packaging.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on July 1, 2014