

Act No. 166 (H.747). Tobacco products

An act relating to cigarette manufacturers

This act prohibits the sale of tobacco substitutes or tobacco paraphernalia, including electronic cigarettes, to persons younger than 18 years of age. Tobacco substitutes are to be displayed and stored in the same manner as tobacco products. Little cigars that weigh not more than three pounds per 1,000 units now can only be sold in packs of 20 or more. The act creates new retailer signage. The secretary of state is designated as the agent for service of process for importers of nonparticipating tobacco product manufacturers located outside the United States, who now have joint and several liability with such manufacturers. The act prohibits the possession of cigarette rolling machines for commercial purposes. Finally, the act requires the secretary of agriculture, food and markets to develop rules for growing industrial hemp.

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