



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 6488**

January Session, 2023



**AN ACT CONCERNING CIGARETTES, TOBACCO PRODUCTS,  
ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR  
PRODUCTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 4-28e of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2023*):

4 (c) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, [2023] 2024,  
5 annual disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be  
6 made as follows: (1) To the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an  
7 amount equal to [twelve million] twenty-two million seven hundred  
8 thousand dollars; and (2) the remainder to the General Fund.

9 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Mental  
10 Health and Addiction Services, in collaboration with the  
11 Commissioners of Consumer Protection, Revenue Services and Public  
12 Health, shall convene a working group to evaluate the various  
13 licensure fees, penalties and taxes related to the distribution and sale of  
14 cigarettes, tobacco products, electronic nicotine delivery systems and  
15 vapor products in the state and advise the Departments of Mental  
16 Health and Addiction Services, Consumer Protection, Revenue  
17 Services and Public Health of any recommendations for increasing  
18 such fees, penalties and taxes to discourage the use of such products

19 and systems. Said commissioners shall select the members of the  
20 working group, who shall include, but need not be limited to,  
21 representatives of at least two organizations that administer tobacco  
22 use cessation programs in the state.

23 (b) Not later than January 1, 2024, the Commissioners of Mental  
24 Health and Addiction Services, Consumer Protection, Revenue  
25 Services and Public Health shall jointly report, in accordance with the  
26 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing  
27 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
28 relating to public health and finance, revenue and bonding on the  
29 recommendations of the working group.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	4-28e(c)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**PH**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*