



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2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
3 *2023*):

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

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

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

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

FIN *Joint Favorable*