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Bills pending in NJ legislature on tobacco/smoking, as of February 1, 2010

(Track or find bills at <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us> - enter the bill number, or a key word, such as tobacco, smoking, cigarettes, etc.)

Bills related to Use of Tobacco, especially Smoking:

A258 Prohibits use of Smokeless tobacco in public schools. Last Session Bill Number: A1121

A512 Prohibits Smoking in State-owned or operated vehicles. Last Session Bill Number: A2790

A1062 Eliminates Smoking ban exemption for casinos and simulcasting facilities. Last Session Bill Number: A806 S236

A1591 Creates motor vehicle offense of Smoking in motor vehicle with a child present and dedicates penalties to "Smoking Cessation Fund." Last Session Bill Number: A2597 S366

A1853 Requires DEP to designate Smoke-free sections of State beaches, parks, and forests. Last Session Bill Number: A3546 S2984

A1954 Prohibits persons under 19 from Smoking in public and purchasing tobacco products. Last Session Bill Number: A1870

AJR24 Designates May of each year as "Youth Smoking Prevention and Awareness Month." Last Session Bill Number: AJR127

S423 Eliminates Smoking ban exemption for casinos and simulcasting facilities. Last Session Bill Number: S236 A806

S443 Prohibits Smoking in certain outdoor public places. Last Session Bill Number: S3038

S446 Regulates Smoking in multiple dwellings; requires Commissioner of Community Affairs to promulgate construction standards for new multiple dwellings permitting Smoking.

S475 Creates motor vehicle offense of Smoking in motor vehicle with a child present and dedicates penalties to "Smoking Cessation Fund." Last Session Bill Number: S366 A2597

S669 Prohibits Smoking at public parks and beaches. Last Session Bill Number: S3025

S684 Prohibits persons under age 19 from Smoking or carrying a lighted tobacco product in an outdoor public place. Last Session Bill Number: S1335 A2177

S889 Prohibits Smoking at State-owned beaches. Last Session Bill Number: S3110

Bills related to Tobacco products:

A461 Exempts testing of cigarettes in Tobacco businesses from "New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act." Last Session Bill Number: A584

A1357 Prohibits sale of candy that resembles a Tobacco product. Last Session Bill Number: A3735

A1913 Prohibits sale of Tobacco products in vending machines and establishes requirements for retail sales of Tobacco. Last Session Bill Number: A979

A1954 Prohibits persons under 19 from smoking in public and purchasing Tobacco products. Last Session Bill Number: A1870

A1988 Requires health insurers to cover costs of Tobacco use cessation services. Last Session Bill Number: A1361

S383 Establishes requirements for non face-to-face sales of cigarettes and Tobacco products. Last Session Bill Number: S217 (SCS)

S384 Requires licenses to conduct business in Tobacco products under the New Jersey Tobacco Products Wholesale Sales and Use Tax Act. Last Session Bill Number: S219

S392 Requires licenses for distributors, wholesalers and retailers to conduct business in Tobacco products under the New Jersey Tobacco Products Wholesale Sales and Use Tax Act. Last Session Bill Number: S938

Bills not pre-filed from 2008-09:

S1367 Establishes health care quality improvement fund grant program funded from tax rate increase on small Cigars. Introduced 2/28/08 by Sen. Vitale. Increases the tax on little cigars and cigarillos from 30% of the wholesale price to 150% of the wholesale price. Funds for the grants would be derived from 50% of the monies collected from the tax imposed on little cigars and cigarillos; of the remaining monies collected from this tax, 1 25% would be credited to the Department of Health and Senior Services for smoking cessation programs, and 25% would be credited to the General Fund for general State purposes. Little cigars and cigarillos are cigars which weigh, excluding packaging, no more than 3 pounds per 1,000 units, 6 and which resemble cigarettes in size and weight.

A3887 Prohibits persons under age 18 from smoking or carrying a lighted tobacco product in an outdoor public place and establishes enforcement actions. Introduced 5/7/09 by Asm. Scalera and Schaer, primary sponsors; on 6/4/09, reported out of Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee, 2nd reading.

A424 Prohibits Smoking by minors in facilities receiving State funds. Introduced 1/8/08 by Asm. Green and Lampit.

A670 Permits Smoking in place or building owned and operated by social or fraternal organization. Introduced 1/8/08 by Asm. Doherty and Biondi.

A788 Requires cigarette receptacles to be placed at entrances of buildings in which Smoking is prohibited. Introduced 1/8/08 by Asm. Conners and Scalera.

A1037 Requires that no combustible materials be present near designated outdoor Smoking areas. Introduced 1/08/08. Sponsored by Asm. Wisniewski.

A564 Requires licenses for distributors, wholesalers and retailers to conduct business in Tobacco products under the New Jersey Tobacco Products Wholesale Sales and Use Tax Act (same fee \$ amounts as for cigarettes). Introduced 1/8/08 by Asm. Dancer (prior session, sponsored by Sen. Singer, Inverso and Bucco, and Asm. Dancer).

A734 Changes Tobacco products wholesale sales tax on moist snuff to a weight-based tax. Last Session Bill Number: A3383, S1990 (1R), A4705. Introduced 1/08/08. Sponsor, Asm. Greenwald.

S1509 Prohibits sale of Tobacco products in vending machines with certain exceptions. Introduced 3/10/08 by Sen. Turner.