

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6388

AS OF JANUARY 24, 1994

Brief Description: Concerning the placement of cigarette vending machines.

SPONSORS: Senators Moore and Amondson

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Staff: Richard Rodger (786-7461)

Hearing Dates:

BACKGROUND:

In 1993, the Legislature regulated the sale of tobacco products through the use of vending machines. Tobacco vending machines are prohibited unless they are located in premises from which minors are prohibited, or in industrial work sites where minors are not employed. In either case, the vending machine cannot be located within ten feet from an entrance or exit of the premise.

It has been suggested that the ten foot rule has created a hardship on some businesses.

SUMMARY:

Bingo establishments are exempt from the tobacco vending machine regulations.

A tobacco vending machine may be located within ten feet of an entrance or exit when the machine is controlled by an electronic locking device that is under the direct control of a person age 18 or older.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested