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Brief Description: Restricting smoking in public places.

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Requires that designated smoking areas must be separate and fully enclosed on all sides by solid walls or windows that extend from floor to ceiling, and have a full door between the designated smoking area and an adjacent nonsmoking public place. The door must remain closed when not actively in use by patrons or staff for entrance or exit.

Requires designated smoking areas to be ventilated at a rate of at least sixty cubic feet per minute per smoker (calculated on the basis of the maximum number of smokers expected during the course of normal operations), which ventilation may be supplied by transfer air from adjacent areas.

Provides that sufficient negative pressure must be maintained at all times in designated smoking areas to prevent smoke migration to adjacent nonsmoking areas.

Requires designated smoking areas to operate with a separate mechanical exhaust system and be exhausted directly outside, with out recirculation of air to nonsmoking areas.

Provides that, if the mechanical exhaust system, negative pressure, or other barriers or ventilation mechanisms for a designated smoking area are not operating properly, smoking must be prohibited in the area until repairs are completed.