

SENATE BILL REPORT

SJM 8008

As Passed Senate, March 5, 2019

Brief Description: Urging federal legislation to prohibit the sale of tobacco and vapor products to anyone under the age of twenty-one.

Sponsors: Senators Bailey, O'Ban and Kuderer.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Health & Long Term Care: 2/04/19, 2/06/19 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed Senate: 3/05/19, 35-12.

Brief Summary of Joint Memorial

- Requires transmission of a joint memorial urging the federal government to prohibit the sale of tobacco and vapor products to people under twenty-one years old, upon passage of Senate Bill 5057.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG TERM CARE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Cleveland, Chair; Randall, Vice Chair; O'Ban, Ranking Member; Bailey, Becker, Conway, Dhingra, Frockt, Keiser and Van De Wege.

Staff: Greg Attanasio (786-7410)

Background: Retailers may currently not sell or give tobacco or vapor products to anyone under the age of eighteen years old. The Health & Long Term Care Committee heard Senate Bill 5057, which would prohibit the sale of tobacco and vapor products to anyone under the age of twenty-one years old. The committee adopted an amendment to the bill stating if passed, a joint memorial would be transmitted to the federal government upon passage of Senate Bill 5057 and signature by the Governor.

Summary of Joint Memorial: Upon passage of Senate Bill 5057, and signature by the Governor, a joint memorial must be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives,

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urging federal legislation prohibiting the sale of tobacco and vapor products to anyone under the age of twenty-one years old.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: Tobacco and vapor products are highly addictive and it should be national policy to prohibit the sale to anyone under the age of twenty-one.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator Barbara Bailey, Prime Sponsor.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.