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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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A N A C T

RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY

Introduced By: Representatives Canario, Corvese, Edwards, Bennett, and Diaz

Date Introduced: February 12, 2020

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 23-20.10 of the General Laws entitled "Public Health and
2 Workplace Safety Act" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **23-20.10-4.1. Electronic nicotine delivery system.**

4 (a)(1) All words and phrases used herein shall be construed as set forth in § 23-20.10-2
5 unless the context indicates otherwise.

6 (2) "Electronic nicotine delivery system" in addition to the definition stated in § 23-
7 20.10-2, shall specifically include vape pens and vaporizers.

8 (3) All businesses that sell or distribute in any way electronic nicotine delivery systems
9 shall:

10 (i) Check the photo identification of every person under the age of twenty-seven (27)
11 years who attempts to purchase an electronic nicotine delivery system;

12 (ii) Only sell electronic nicotine delivery systems to customers age twenty-one (21) years
13 and older;

14 (iii) Not sell or distribute electronic nicotine delivery systems in a vending machine;

15 (iv) Not give away free samples to consumers of electronic nicotine delivery systems or
16 their components or parts;

17 (v) Not sell or distribute electronic nicotine delivery systems without a health warning;
18 and

19 (vi) Not display advertisements for electronic nicotine delivery systems without a health

1 [warning.](#)

2 [\(b\) All violations of this section shall be subject to the sanctions set forth in § 23-20.10-](#)

3 [10.](#)

4 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would restrict the sale of electronic nicotine delivery systems to individuals
2 under the age of twenty-one (21) years and would regulate the way in which electronic nicotine
3 delivery systems may be sold.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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