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AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 856

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 10, before “requiring” insert “establishing a certain fine for a minor who violates certain prohibitions relating to tobacco; providing that the fines collected shall be distributed in a certain manner to a special fund and used for additional State aid to education;”.

On page 4, after line 10, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Law

Section 10-108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter _____ (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, after line 35, insert:

“Article - Criminal Law

10-108.

- (a) In this section, “violation” has the meaning stated in § 3-8A-01 of the Courts Article.
- (b) This section does not apply to the possession of a tobacco product or cigarette rolling paper by a minor who is acting as the agent of the minor's employer within the scope of employment.
- (c) A minor may not:

(Over)

(1) use or possess a tobacco product or cigarette rolling paper; or
(2) obtain or attempt to obtain a tobacco product or cigarette rolling paper by using a form of identification that:

(i) is falsified; or

(ii) identifies an individual other than the minor.

(d) (1) A violation of this section is a civil offense.

(2) (I) A MINOR WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$35.

(II) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, 75% OF THE FINES COLLECTED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO A SPECIAL FUND, TO BE USED ONLY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR STATE AID TO EDUCATION.

(3) A minor who violates this section is ALSO subject to the procedures and dispositions provided in Title 3, Subtitle 8A of the Courts Article.

(e) A law enforcement officer authorized to make arrests shall issue a citation to a minor if the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that the minor is committing or has committed a violation of this section.”.