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South Australia

Tobacco Products Regulation (Ban On Children Smoking) Amendment Bill 2009

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Tobacco Products Regulation Act 1997.

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The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Tobacco Products Regulation (Ban On Children Smoking) Amendment Act 2009.*

5 **2—Commencement**

This Act will come into operation 3 months after the date of assent.

3—Amendment provisions

In this Act, a provision under a heading referring to the amendment of a specified Act amends the Act so specified.

Part 2—Amendment of Tobacco Products Regulation Act 1997

4—Amendment of section 3—Objects of Act

Section 3(b)—after subparagraph (i) insert:

(ia) by prohibiting children smoking;

5—Amendment of section 38A—Sale or supply of tobacco products to children

- (1) Section 38A—after subsection (1) insert:
 - (1a) For the purposes of this section, a tobacco product will be taken to have been sold or supplied to a child if a person provides a token to, or other assistance to, the child for the operation of a vending machine that is designed to sell tobacco products.
- (2) Section 38A(2)—delete "minor" wherever occurring and substitute in each case:

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6—Insertion of section 49

After section 48 insert:

49—Smoking etc by children prohibited

A child must not smoke.

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

Expiation fee: \$315.

(2) A child must not have a tobacco product in his or her possession.

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

Expiation fee: \$315.

A child must not attempt to purchase (whether by retail sale, from a vending machine or otherwise) or otherwise obtain a tobacco product.

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

Expiation fee: \$315.

- Subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to a child who has in his or her possession, or who attempts to purchase or otherwise obtain, a tobacco product in the ordinary course of his or her employment or otherwise for the purpose of sale by retail in accordance with this Act.
- If a child is alleged to have committed an offence against this section, then, before a prosecution is commenced, an expiation notice must be given to the alleged offender under the Expiation of Offences Act 1996.
- Despite section 6 of the Expiation of Offences Act 1996, an expiation notice for an offence against this section may be given to a child who has attained the age of 15 years.
- (7) Non-compliance with subsection (5) does not invalidate a prosecution.

7—Amendment of section 63—Appointment of authorised officers

Section 63—after subsection (4) insert:

- Without limiting any other provision of this Act, the following persons are authorised officers for the purposes of the enforcement of section 49:
 - authorised officers within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1999;
 - (b) authorised officers within the meaning of the Environment Protection Act 1993;
 - fisheries officers within the meaning of the Fisheries (c) Act 1982:
 - forest wardens within the meaning of the Forestry Act 1950; (d)

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- (e) wardens within the meaning of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972*;
- (f) authorised officers within the meaning of the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004*;
- (g) wardens within the meaning of the *Wilderness Protection Act 1992*.

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