

A SENATE BILL FOR AN ACT

Amending section 308 of CSL 6-66 by increasing the prohibition of the age of consumption, possession, sale, or distribution of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, including but not limited to snuff, cigarettes and/or controlled substances by persons under the age of twenty one (21) years old, prohibition of the sale or distribution to, and causing to be consumed by, a minor, by an adult, and prohibiting certain advertising of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, including but not limited to snuff, cigarettes, and/or controlled substances, providing for inspections, increasing the penalties for its violations, inclusion of vape or any types of electronic cigarettes, and for other purposes.

Be enacted in the Chuuk State Legislature:

1 Section 1. Amendment. Section 308 of CSL 6-66, as amended is hereby further
2 amended to read as follows:

3 “Section 308. Responsibility for the Consumption, possession, Sale, or Distribution
4 of Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco, Cigarettes, including but not limited to Snuff, and/or
5 Controlled Substances.

6 (a) The production, possession, sale, distribution or consumption of alcoholic
7 beverages, tobacco, including but not limited to snuff, cigarettes, vape, all kinds of
8 electronic cigarettes and/or "controlled substances" as defined under Chapter 11 of
9 Title 11 of the FSM Code, as now enacted or as hereinafter amended, by a person
10 under the age of ~~18~~ 21 for any purpose other than a medically authorized and/or
11 religious purpose, shall be grounds for delinquency proceedings against such a
12 person pursuant to Section 307 above.

13 (b) Any person 18 years or older, including but not limited to manufacturers,
14 retailers and distributors, who purposely distributes, or causes to be distributed to or
15 consumed by a person under ~~18~~ 21 years of age any amount of alcoholic beverages,
16 tobacco, including but not limited to snuff, cigarettes, vape, all kinds of electronic
17 cigarettes and/or controlled substances as defined in Subsection (a) above, except for
18 medical or religious purposes, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction
19 thereof, shall be imprisoned for not less than ~~30~~ 90 days but not more than 180 days
20 or be fined not less than ~~\$400~~ 500, but not more than \$1,000 or both. This

Subsection shall not be construed to reduce the penalty applicable under any other provision of law.

(c) No manufacturer, retailer or distributor of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, including but not limited to snuff, cigarettes and/or controlled substances, as defined in Subsection (a) above, or other person, shall advertise or promote, by billboard, radio, television, public broadcast, handout, device or otherwise for commercial purposes, other than by radio or cable television where the operator does not control the content of the programming:

(1) any tobacco product, including but not limited to snuff;

(2) any alcoholic beverage, including but not limited to beer, wine, and liquor;

(3) any controlled substances, as defined in Subsection (a) above.

Any person who violates the provisions of this Subsection (c) shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ~~\$400~~ 1,000 per offense, or imprisoned not less than ~~30~~ 120 days but not more than 180 days per offense, or both.

(d) Notwithstanding the prohibitions of Subsection (c) of this Section, nothing herein shall prohibit a commercial vendor from displaying prices of legal products by signs.

(e) To ensure compliance with Subsections (b) and (c) above, random, unannounced inspections shall be conducted periodically by the Department of Public Safety or the Department of Health Services, or their designee(s), of retail or other establishments where alcoholic beverages, tobacco, vape, all kinds of electronic cigarettes including but not limited to snuff, and controlled substances, as defined in Subsection (a) above, are manufactured, sold or distributed.

(f) Signs shall be prominently posted in all retail or other establishments where alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, vape, all kinds of electronic cigarettes including but not limited to snuff, or controlled substances, as defined in Subsection (a) above, are sold or distributed, on which are printed the prohibitions and penalties contained in Subsection (b) above. The signs shall be printed in Chuukese, or any

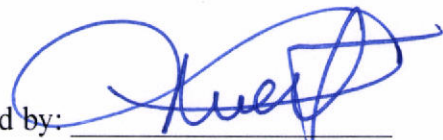
1 local variation of Chuukese spoken in the area where the establishment is located,
2 and in English, in letters designed to be easily read, at least one half inch high. Any
3 person who violates the provisions of this Subsection shall be guilty of a
4 misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than \$100.00
5 1,000.00 per offense, and shall be required to comply with the requirements of this
6 Subsection immediately.”

7 Section 2. Effective Date. This act shall become effective after the approval by the
8 Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.
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11 Dated:

Aug 15, 25

Introduced by:



Hon. Cheche Andrel Yamamoto
Floor Leader (By request)