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Committee: General Affairs

A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Act;
- 2 to amend section 69-504, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- Nebraska; to change the length of the certification
- 4 period; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 69-504, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 69-504 (1) Each manufacturer shall submit to the State
- 4 Fire Marshal a written certification attesting that:
- 5 (a) Each cigarette listed in the certification has been
- 6 tested in accordance with section 69-503; and
- 7 (b) Each cigarette listed in the certification meets the
- 8 performance standard set forth in section 69-503.
- 9 (2) Each cigarette listed in the certification shall be
- 10 described with the following information:
- 11 (a) Brand or trade name on the package;
- 12 (b) Style, such as light or ultra light;
- 13 (c) Length in millimeters;
- 14 (d) Circumference in millimeters;
- 15 (e) Flavor, such as menthol or chocolate, if applicable;
- (f) Filter or nonfilter;
- 17 (g) Package description, such as soft pack or box;
- 18 (h) Marking pursuant to section 69-505;
- 19 (i) The name, address, and telephone number of the
- 20 laboratory, if different than the manufacturer, that conducted the
- 21 test; and
- 22 (j) The date that the testing occurred.
- 23 (3) The State Fire Marshal shall make the certifications
- 24 available to the Attorney General for purposes consistent with the
- 25 Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Act and the Department of

1 Revenue for the purposes of ensuring compliance with this section.

- 2 (4) Each cigarette certified under this section shall be
- 3 recertified every four three years.
- 4 (5) At the time a manufacturer submits a written
- 5 certification under this section, the manufacturer shall pay to the
- 6 State Fire Marshal a fee of one thousand dollars for each brand
- 7 family of cigarettes identified in the certification. The fee paid
- 8 shall apply to all cigarettes listed in the brand family identified
- 9 in the certification and shall include any new cigarette certified
- 10 within the brand family during the <u>four year three-year</u> certification
- 11 period.
- 12 (6) The Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Fund is
- 13 created. The fund shall consist of all certification fees submitted
- 14 by manufacturers in addition to any other funds made available for
- 15 such purpose. The State Fire Marshal shall use the fund to carry out
- 16 the act. Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be remitted to
- 17 the State Treasurer for credit to the fund. Any money in the fund
- 18 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
- 19 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
- 20 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
- 21 (7) If a manufacturer has certified a cigarette pursuant
- 22 to this section and thereafter makes any change to such cigarette
- 23 that is likely to alter its compliance with the reduced cigarette
- 24 ignition propensity standards required by the Reduced Cigarette
- 25 Ignition Propensity Act, such cigarette shall not be sold or offered

1 for sale in this state until the manufacturer retests the cigarette

- 2 in accordance with the testing standards set forth in section 69-503
- 3 and maintains records of that retesting as required by section
- 4 69-503. Any altered cigarette which does not meet the performance
- 5 standard set forth in section 69-503 shall not be sold in this state.
- 6 Sec. 2. Original section 69-504, Reissue Revised Statutes
- 7 of Nebraska, is repealed.