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Committee Bill No. 5204

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:
(KID)

AN ACT PROHIBITING SMOKING IN MOTOR VEHICLES WITH MINOR CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) As used in this
2 section, (1) "smoke" or "smoking" means the lighting or carrying of a
3 lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or similar device.

4 (b) (1) No person shall smoke in a motor vehicle, whether in motion
5 or at rest, when there is a child six years of age or under or weighing
6 less than sixty pounds and required under subsection (d) of section 14-
7 100a of the general statutes to be secured in a child restraint system in
8 such vehicle. (2) A person who holds a cigarette, cigar, pipe or similar
9 device to, or in the immediate proximity of, his or her mouth while
10 such vehicle is in motion or at rest is presumed to be smoking within
11 the meaning of this section. The presumption established by this
12 subdivision is rebuttable by evidence tending to show that the person
13 was not smoking in the motor vehicle.

14 (c) Any person found guilty of smoking in violation of subsection
15 (b) of this section shall have committed an infraction.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2007	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To protect children from second-hand smoke by prohibiting smoking in motor vehicles with children who are required under law to be secured in a child restraint system.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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