



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5088**

LCO No. 126

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND TOBACCO TAXES.**

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

- 1 That thirty-three per cent of the annual receipts from the tobacco
- 2 settlement and all tobacco-related taxes be dedicated to programs that:
- 3 (1) Relate to tobacco education, prevention and cessation programs, (2)
- 4 promote pulmonary health, (3) reduce the incidence of asthma, and (4)
- 5 expand access to health care for underinsured and uninsured children
- 6 and adults.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To ensure that state funds derived from tobacco settlement funds and tobacco taxes are allocated to programs that ameliorate the ill effects of tobacco products.