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## TOBACCO SAFETY RULES

House Bill 4342

Sponsor: Rep. Teola P. Hunter

Committee: Public Health

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### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4342 AS INTRODUCED 2-20-91

The bill would create a new act to establish fire safety standards for cigarettes and little cigars and would set criminal penalties for violations.

The bill would require the state fire marshal and the state police department to promulgate rules setting standards that would ensure that cigarettes and little cigars would stop burning within a specified period of time if not smoked during that time. The proposed rules would have to be submitted for public hearing within 12 months after the bill took effect. Within 12 months after the rules were promulgated, the bill would prohibit the sale, use, or distribution of cigarettes or little cigars that did not meet these standards and make it a misdemeanor (punishable by a fine of up to \$100 and 90 days imprisonment) to sell, use, or distribute non-complying cigarettes and little cigars.

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