

Legislative Analysis



INCREASE AGE FOR TOBACCO PURCHASE AND USE IN MICHIGAN

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Senate Bill 576 (S-1) as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. Dale Zorn

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Senate Bill 577 (S-1) as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. Paul Wojno

House Committee: Regulatory Reform
Senate Committee: Regulatory Reform
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SUMMARY:

Senate Bills 576 and 577 would amend the Michigan Penal Code and Age of Majority Act, respectively, to change ages related to the sale, purchase, possession, and use of tobacco products from 18 to 21, and to make other related changes. The age increase would match the age threshold in current federal law.

Senate Bill 576 would amend section 42b of the Penal Code to increase the age necessary to receive tobacco products through the mail from 18 to 21. The bill also would make other technical changes that would not substantially change the current meaning of the law.

Senate Bill 577 would amend section 3 of the Age of Majority Act to provide that the Age of Majority Act does not supersede the Youth Tobacco Act. The bill also would make additional technical changes that would not substantially change the current meaning of the law.

The bills are tie-barred to each other and to Senate Bill 720 and House Bills 6108 and 6109.¹ A bill cannot take effect unless each bill to which it is tie-barred is also enacted into law.

MCL 750.42b (SB 576) and MCL 722.53 (SB 577)

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bills would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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¹ Summary of House Bills 6108 and 6109: <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2021-2022/billanalysis/House/pdf/2021-HLA-6108-0E64287F.pdf>