



Act 112 – PA’s Youth Access to Tobacco Law

- Act 112 was passed by the Pennsylvania General Assembly and signed into law in 2002
- Major Provisions of Act 112:
 - Restricts placement of vending machines
 - Establishes a fine structure for clerks and retailers
 - Restricts displaying or offering for sale a cigarette out of a pack of cigarettes
 - Expands enforcement authority
 - Authorizes youth ages 14 to 17 to participate in compliance checks
 - Establishes youth penalties for purchase or attempt to purchase of a tobacco product
- Vending machine restrictions
 - Prohibits vending machines from areas “accessible” to minors
 - “Accessible” = any place where a minor can gain access without the supervision of a parent or guardian
- Act 112 allows for the Pennsylvania Department of Health, single county authorities, primary contractors under Act 77 and county and municipal health departments to enforce the law

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