

HR 5724

Tobacco Free Internet for Kids Act of 2002

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Chamber: House

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 22, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Tobacco Free Internet for Kids Act of 2002 - Regulates the transit sale of tobacco. Defines transit sale to mean any sale where the product is not delivered directly to the consumer at the time and place of purchase. Includes purchase by electronics, such as through the Internet, and by mail.

Prohibits the transit sale of tobacco products to minors.

Requires transit sellers of tobacco products to: (1) be authorized as a tobacco distributor by any State in which they make sales; (2) verify consumer age, identity, and address before a sale; (3) provide notice to addressee of intended tobacco delivery (and halting shipment if a notice is received in return that the sale is improper); (4) provide carriers with information concerning the product being shipped (transit tobacco sale) and the sellers' documentation of State authorization; and (5) accept payment only by debit, charge or credit card issued to the consumer where both the billing and residential address match.

Requires a signature and proof of identity for delivery.

Limits the frequency, content, and amount of transit tobacco sales.

Establishes requirements for Internet websites offering tobacco products for sale, including proof of age, identity, and address before access.

Excludes Indian tribe tobacco sales within the tribe from certain State authorization requirements.

Sets forth duties of carriers and tobacco suppliers concerning their commercial dealings with transit tobacco sellers.

Sets forth recordkeeping and database use requirements Establishes civil penalties for violations. Grants enforcement authority to both Federal and State agencies.

States that more stringent State laws are not superceded by these requirements.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 22, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.
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