

HR 5912

To amend title 39, United States Code, to make cigarettes and certain other tobacco products nonmailable, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 12, 2008)

Amends federal postal law to make cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, and roll-your-own-tobacco nonmailable.

Requires tobacco products attempted to be mailed to be disposed of as the Postal Service directs.

Provides a civil penalty for each mailing violation.

Authorizes the Postal Service, on evidence satisfactory to the Postal Service that any person is, for commercial or moneymaking purposes, engaged in the sending of such matter, to: (1) refuse to accept any mailing from that person or his representative unless the person or his representative establishes to the satisfaction of the postmaster that the mailing does not contain such matter; and (2) order the person to cease and desist from mailing such matter.

Authorizes civil actions by states to: (1) enjoin mailings to residents of that state; (2) impose civil penalties; or (3) obtain other relief.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 12, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Oversight and Government. H. Rept. 110-711.
- **Jun 12, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 452.
- **May 1, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 1, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 29, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 29, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
- **Apr 29, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Post Office, and the District of Columbia.