

HB 1856 -- Sale of Tobacco to Minors

Sponsor: Grill

This bill increases the penalty for the crime of selling, providing, or distributing any tobacco product to a person younger than 18 years of age from \$25 to \$250 for a first offense, from \$100 to \$500 for a second offense, and from \$250 to \$1,000 for a third or subsequent offense.

The time period for which a tobacco establishment owner who commits this crime is prohibited from selling tobacco products is increased from a 24-hour period to a 48-hour period if found guilty of a second violation of the crime within two years, from a 48-hour period to a 72-hour period for a third violation within two years, and from a five-day period to a 10-day period for any fourth or subsequent violation within two years.