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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1192

5 By: Representative Pilkington
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF TOBACCO, TOBACCO
10 PRODUCTS, AND E-CIGARETTES AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS; TO
11 REQUIRE THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A STUDENT WHO
12 IS FOUND USING, POSSESSING, OR SMOKING TOBACCO,
13 TOBACCO PRODUCTS, OR E-CIGARETTES AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL
14 TO PAY A FINE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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19 TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND E-CIGARETTES AT
20 PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND TO REQUIRE THE
21 PARENT OF A STUDENT WHO IS FOUND USING,
22 POSSESSING, OR SMOKING TOBACCO, TOBACCO
23 PRODUCTS, OR E-CIGARETTES TO PAY A FINE.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-21-609(b), concerning the prohibition
28 against smoking tobacco, the use of tobacco or tobacco products, or the use
29 of e-cigarettes at a public school, is amended to read as follows:

30 (b) Smoking tobacco, ~~the use of~~ using or possessing tobacco or tobacco
31 products, or ~~the use of~~ using or possessing e-cigarettes is prohibited:

32 (1) In or on real property owned or leased by a public school
33 district, ~~including a~~ or an open-enrollment public charter school; or

34 (2) In or on personal property, including without limitation
35 school buses, owned or leased by a public school district, ~~including a~~ or an
36 open-enrollment public charter school.



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2 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-21-609, concerning the prohibition
3 against smoking, the use of tobacco or tobacco products, or the use of e-
4 cigarettes, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

5 (e)(1) The parent, legal guardian, or person standing in loco parentis
6 to a student who is found by the public school district or open-enrollment
7 public charter school to have violated this section shall be subject to the
8 following fines upon the student being found guilty of having violated this
9 section:

10 (A) One hundred dollars (\$100) for the first offense;

11 (B) Five hundred dollars (\$500) for the second offense;

12 and

13 (C) One thousand dollars (\$1,000) for a third or
14 subsequent offense.

15 (2) Any fines collected under subdivision (e)(1) of this section
16 shall be paid by the collecting official of the public school district or
17 open-enrollment public charter school to the police department of the town or
18 city in which the public school district or open-enrollment public charter
19 school is located.