

25-14-301. Sale of cigarettes, tobacco products, or nicotine products to persons under twenty-one years of age prohibited - definitions

(1) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Teen Tobacco Use Prevention Act".

(2) (a) The sale of a cigarette or tobacco product to a person who is under twenty-one years of age is prohibited.

(b) (Deleted by amendment, L. 2020.)

(3) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Cigarette" shall have the same meaning as set forth in section 39-28-202 (4), C.R.S.

(b) Repealed.

(c) "Tobacco product" has the same meaning as "cigarette, tobacco product, or nicotine product", as defined in section 18-13-121 (5).

(4) (a) Nothing in this section prohibits a statutory or home rule municipality, county, or city and county from enacting an ordinance or resolution that prohibits the sale of cigarettes, tobacco products, or nicotine products to a person under twenty-one years of age or imposes requirements more stringent than provided in this section.

(b) A statutory or home rule municipality, county, or city and county shall not enact an ordinance or resolution that establishes a minimum age to purchase cigarettes, tobacco products, or nicotine products that is under twenty-one years of age.

(5) A violation of paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of this section is a noncriminal offense.

Source: L. 2008: Entire part added, p. 887, § 2, effective July 1. L. 2019: (3)(c) and (4) amended, (HB 19-1033), ch. 53, p. 184, § 2, effective July 1. L. 2020: (2) and (4) amended and (3)(b) repealed, (HB 20-1001), ch. 302, p. 1504, § 4, effective July 14.

Editor's note: Section 19 of chapter 302 (HB 20-1001), Session Laws of Colorado 2020, provides that the act changing this section applies to offenses committed on or after July 14, 2020.