

1 S.98

2 Introduced by Senators Carris, Ashe, Ayer, Campbell, Choate, Giard,

3 MacDonald, Miller, Racine, and Starr

4 Referred to Committee on

5 Date:

6 Subject: Health; tobacco licenses; compliance testing

7 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to increase the frequency of
8 compliance testing of tobacco licensees by the department of liquor control.

9 An act relating to increased compliance testing of tobacco licensees

10 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

11 Sec. 1. Sec. 13(a) of No. 58 of the Acts of 1997 is amended to read:

12 (a) The Department of Liquor Control shall conduct or contract for
13 compliance tests of tobacco licensees as frequently and as comprehensively as
14 necessary to assure consistent statewide compliance with the prohibition on
15 sales to minors of at least 90 percent, which means less than ten percent actual
16 commercial availability, for ~~17-year-old~~ 17-year-old buyers. The department
17 shall increase the frequency of compliance testing by at least five percent for
18 the month following a month in which compliance is less than 90 percent. An
19 individual under the age of 18 participating in a compliance test shall not be in
20 violation of 7 V.S.A. § 1005.