SUMMARY

ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 6.20 OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY CODE REGARDING LICENSURE OF TOBACCO RETAILERS

This ordinance repeals and replaces the Tobacco Retail Ordinance in Chapter 6.20 of the Mendocino County Code. The proposed changes were made to ensure consistency with recently amended state laws; including minimum age restrictions; a revised definition of Tobacco Product to include Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)", and the prohibition of the sale of Flavored Tobacco Products, which appeal to youth and make it easier for them to begin using tobacco products. Additionally, changes were made to clarify grounds for suspension, termination and revocation of licenses, administrative fines for violating tobacco-related laws, and appeal procedures.