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Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. COBLE, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. MCHENRY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Stop Adolescent Smok-  
5       ing Without Excessive Bureaucracy Act of 2008”.

6       **SEC. 2. YOUTH COMPLIANCE TARGET AND ENFORCEMENT.**

7       (a) AMENDMENT.—Section 1926 of the Public  
8       Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300x–26) is amended to  
9       read as follows:

1 **“SEC. 1926. STRENGTHENING STATE LAWS RELATING TO**  
2 **TOBACCO PRODUCT SALES TO INDIVIDUALS**  
3 **UNDER THE AGE OF 18.**

4 “(a) RELEVANT LAW.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
6 for fiscal year 2010 and subsequent fiscal years, the  
7 Secretary may make a grant under section 1921  
8 only if the State involved has in effect a law pro-  
9 viding that—

10 “(A) it is unlawful for any manufacturer,  
11 retailer, or distributor of tobacco products to  
12 sell or distribute any such product to any indi-  
13 vidual under 18 years of age;

14 “(B) it is unlawful for an individual under  
15 18 years of age—

16 “(i) to purchase or attempt to pur-  
17 chase, or receive or attempt to receive, a  
18 tobacco product; or

19 “(ii) to possess or attempt to possess  
20 a tobacco product in a public place;

21 “(C) a law enforcement agency, upon de-  
22 termining that an individual under 18 years of  
23 age allegedly purchased or received a tobacco  
24 product, or allegedly possessed a tobacco prod-  
25 uct in a public place, shall notify the individ-  
26 ual’s parent or parents, custodian, or guardian

(if the name and address of a parent, guardian, or custodian is reasonably ascertainable);

“(D) within 180 days after the effective date of such State law, any person engaged in the business of distributing tobacco products at retail shall implement a program—

“(i) to notify each employee employed by that person who distributes tobacco products that State law prohibits the sale or distribution of tobacco products to any individual under 18 years of age and the purchase or receipt, or possession in a public place, of tobacco products by any such individual; and

“(ii) to ensure compliance with such law;

“(E) an employer shall not be in violation of the prohibition described in subparagraph (A) if such employer—

“(i) relies upon proof of age that appeared on its face to be valid; or

“(ii) implements a program in accordance with subparagraph (D); and

“(F) an individual who violates the prohibition described in subparagraph (B) may be

1           liable for a civil monetary penalty and may be  
2           required to perform community service.

3           “(2) DELAYED APPLICABILITY FOR CERTAIN  
4           STATES.—In the case of a State whose legislature  
5           does not convene a regular session in fiscal year  
6           2010, and in the case of a State whose legislature  
7           does not convene a regular session in fiscal year  
8           2011, the requirement described in paragraph (1) as  
9           a condition of a receipt of a grant under section  
10          1921 shall apply only for fiscal year 2012 and sub-  
11          sequent fiscal years.

12          “(b) STATE GOALS FOR NONCOMPLIANCE.—Begin-  
13          ning with respect to the first applicable fiscal year, a fund-  
14          ing agreement for a grant under section 1921 is that the  
15          State involved has established goals for reducing the rate  
16          of retailer violations of the law described in subsection (a),  
17          as determined through annual, random, unannounced in-  
18          spections described in subsection (c)(2)(A), so that the  
19          rate of such violations relative to the number of inspec-  
20          tions does not exceed the following:

21                 “(1) 20 percent during fiscal year 2010.

22                 “(2) 19 percent during fiscal year 2011.

23                 “(3) 18 percent during fiscal year 2012.

24                 “(4) 17 percent during fiscal year 2013.

25                 “(5) 16 percent during fiscal year 2014.

1 “(6) 15 percent during fiscal year 2015.

2 “(7) 14 percent during fiscal year 2016.

3 “(8) 13 percent during fiscal year 2017.

4 “(9) 12 percent during fiscal year 2018.

5 “(10) 11 percent during fiscal year 2019.

6 “(11) 10 percent during fiscal year 2020 and  
7 each subsequent year.

8 “(c) ENFORCEMENT.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A funding agreement for a  
10 grant under section 1921 is that the State involved  
11 will enforce the law described in subsection (a) in a  
12 manner that can reasonably be expected to achieve  
13 the goals established pursuant to subsection (b) and  
14 reduce the extent to which tobacco products are  
15 available to individuals under 18 years of age.

16 “(2) ACTIVITIES AND REPORTS REGARDING EN-  
17 FORCEMENT.—A funding agreement for a grant  
18 under section 1921 is that the State involved will—

19 “(A) annually conduct random, unan-  
20 nounced inspections to ensure compliance with  
21 the law described in subsection (a); and

22 “(B) annually submit to the Secretary a  
23 report describing—

24 “(i) the activities carried out by the  
25 State to enforce such law during the fiscal

1 year preceding the fiscal year for which the  
2 State is seeking the grant;

3 “(ii) the extent of success the State  
4 has achieved in meeting the goals estab-  
5 lished pursuant to subsection (b) and in  
6 reducing the availability of tobacco prod-  
7 ucts to individuals under 18 years of age;  
8 and

9 “(iii) the strategies to be utilized by  
10 the State for enforcing such law during the  
11 fiscal year for which the grant is sought.

12 “(3) USE OF INDIVIDUALS UNDER 18 YEARS OF  
13 AGE IN INSPECTIONS.—A funding agreement for a  
14 grant under section 1921 is that the State may en-  
15 gage an individual under 18 years of age to test  
16 compliance with the law described in subsection (a)  
17 only if—

18 “(A) the testing is conducted with the  
19 written consent of a parent or legal guardian of  
20 such individual; and

21 “(B) such individual acts under the direct  
22 supervision of the State during a random, un-  
23 announced inspection.

24 “(d) USE OF STATE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS.—A  
25 funding agreement for a grant under section 1921 is that

1 the State involved certifies to the Secretary that, with re-  
2 spect to the calendar year preceding the year in which the  
3 State is applying for such a grant, the State expended  
4 more than 10 percent of the funds paid to the State for  
5 such calendar year as part of the comprehensive settle-  
6 ment of November 1998 (as referred to in section  
7 1903(d)(3)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act) on health pro-  
8 grams, tobacco control and cessation activities, or eco-  
9 nomic development for tobacco regions.

10 “(e) NONCOMPLIANCE OF STATE.—

11 “(1) DETERMINATION BY SECRETARY.—Before  
12 making a grant under section 1921 to a State for  
13 any fiscal year, the Secretary shall make a deter-  
14 mination of whether the State has maintained com-  
15 pliance with subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d).

16 “(2) REDUCTION OF ALLOTMENT.—Beginning  
17 with respect to the first applicable fiscal year, if,  
18 after notice to the State and an opportunity for a  
19 hearing, the Secretary determines that the State is  
20 not in compliance with any of subsections (a), (b),  
21 or (c), the Secretary shall reduce the amount of the  
22 allotment under section 1921 for the State for the  
23 fiscal year involved by an amount equal to—

1           “(A) in the case of fiscal year 2010, 10  
2           percent of the amount determined under section  
3           1933 for the State for the fiscal year;

4           “(B) in the case of fiscal year 2011, 20  
5           percent of the amount determined under section  
6           1933 for the State for the fiscal year;

7           “(C) in the case of fiscal year 2012, 30  
8           percent of the amount determined under section  
9           1933 for the State for the fiscal year; and

10          “(D) in the case of fiscal year 2013 or any  
11          subsequent fiscal year, 40 percent of the  
12          amount determined under section 1933 for the  
13          State for the fiscal year.

14          “(3) ADDITIONAL REDUCTION.—Beginning with  
15          respect to the first applicable fiscal year, if the Sec-  
16          retary determines under paragraph (1) that the  
17          State is not in compliance with any of subsections  
18          (a), (b), or (c), and is not in compliance with sub-  
19          section (d), the Secretary may reduce the amount of  
20          the allotment under section 1921 for the State for  
21          the fiscal year involved by an amount equal to 10  
22          percent of the amount determined under section  
23          1933 for the State for such fiscal year. Such reduc-  
24          tion shall be in addition to the reduction under para-  
25          graph (2).



1       “(f) ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMS.—In  
2 order to assist States in establishing and implementing  
3 State laws described in subsection (a), the Secretary  
4 shall—

5               “(1) develop not later than January 1, 2009,  
6 and subsequently revise as appropriate, model legis-  
7 lative language; and

8               “(2) provide technical assistance and guidance  
9 in developing, enacting, and implementing such laws  
10 and in setting goals pursuant to subsection (b).

11       “(g) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘first ap-  
12 plicable fiscal year’ means—

13               “(1) fiscal year 2012, in the case of any State  
14 described in subsection (a)(2); and

15               “(2) fiscal year 2010, in the case of any other  
16 State.”.

17       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

18               (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by  
19 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to the first  
20 applicable fiscal year and each subsequent fiscal  
21 year. The provisions of section 1926 of the Public  
22 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300x–26), as in effect  
23 on the day before the date of the enactment of this  
24 Act, shall apply with respect to fiscal years pre-  
25 ceding the first applicable fiscal year.

1           (2) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term  
2           “first applicable fiscal year” has the meaning given  
3           such term in subsection (g) of section 1926 of the  
4           Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300x–26), as  
5           amended by subsection (a) of this section.

6 **SEC. 3. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF INGREDIENTS.**

7           Section 7 of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Ad-  
8           vertising Act (15 U.S.C. 1335a) is amended—

9           (1) in subsection (a), by striking “the company  
10          which uses the ingredients or”; and

11          (2) by amending subsection (b)(2) to read as  
12          follows:

13          “(2) The Secretary shall make any information pro-  
14          vided under this section accessible to the public on the  
15          Internet not later than 48 hours after receipt by the Sec-  
16          retary.”.

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