

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB5868

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410 ILCS 82/35

Amends the Smoke Free Illinois Act. Provides that smoking is allowed in a retail tobacco store that applied for a business or occupancy permit before January 1, 2008.

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1 AN ACT concerning health.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Smoke Free Illinois Act is amended by changing Section 35 as follows:
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- Sec. 35. Exemptions. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, smoking is allowed in the following areas:
- 9 (1) Private residences or dwelling places, except when
 10 used as a child care, adult day care, or healthcare
 11 facility or any other home-based business open to the
 12 public.
 - (2) Retail tobacco stores as defined in Section 10 of this Act in operation prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly. This exemption shall also apply to a retail tobacco store that applied for a business or occupancy permit before January 1, 2008. The retail tobacco store shall annually file with the Department by January 31st an affidavit stating the percentage of its gross income during the prior calendar year that was derived from the sale of loose tobacco, plants, or herbs and cigars, cigarettes, pipes, or other smoking devices for smoking tobacco and related smoking

accessories. Any retail tobacco store that begins operation after the effective date of this amendatory Act may only qualify for an exemption if located in a freestanding structure occupied solely by the business and smoke from the business does not migrate into an enclosed area where smoking is prohibited.

- (3) Private and semi-private rooms in nursing homes and long-term care facilities that are occupied by one or more persons, all of whom are smokers and have requested in writing to be placed or to remain in a room where smoking is permitted and the smoke shall not infiltrate other areas of the nursing home.
- (4) Hotel and motel sleeping rooms that are rented to guests and are designated as smoking rooms, provided that all smoking rooms on the same floor must be contiguous and smoke from these rooms must not infiltrate into nonsmoking rooms or other areas where smoking is prohibited. Not more than 25% of the rooms rented to guests in a hotel or motel may be designated as rooms where smoking is allowed. The status of rooms as smoking or nonsmoking may not be changed, except to permanently add additional nonsmoking rooms.

(Source: P.A. 95-17, eff. 1-1-08.)