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Abstract: Prohibits the sale of vapor products near a school.

Present law defines "vapor product" as any non-combustible product containing nicotine or other substances that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical or mechanical means, regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce vapor from nicotine in a solution or other form.

Present law further provides that "vapor product" includes any electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device and any vapor cartridge or other container of nicotine in a solution or other form that is intended to be used with or in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device.

Present law provides relative to retail dealer permits and the renewal of retail dealer permits for the sale of vapor products.

Proposed law retains present law and prohibits issuance of a retail dealer permit for the sale of vapor products on a premises situated within 300 feet of a school.

Proposed law reduces the distance to be measured as a person walks using the sidewalk from the nearest point of the property line of the school to the nearest point of the premises to be licensed.

Proposed law authorizes the commissioner to adopt an alternate method of measurement of the 300-foot limitation by measuring in a straight line from the nearest point of the property line of the school to the nearest point of the premises to be licensed.

Proposed law provides that the alternative method of measurement applies only prospectively to a new permit issued on or after the date the alternative method of measurement has been adopted.

(Adds R.S. 26:902.1)