

SMOKING (PUBLIC HEALTH)

(AMENDMENT) BILL 2000

A BILL TO

Amend the Smoking (Public Health) Ordinance, the Smoking (Public Health) Regulations and the Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) Order.

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

1. Short title

This Ordinance may be cited as the Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Ordinance 2000.

2. Prohibition on smoking in certain designated areas

Section 3(1C) of the Smoking (Public Health) Ordinance (Cap. 371) is amended---

(a) by repealing "200" and substituting "100";

(b) by repealing "one-third" and substituting "half".

Smoking (Public Health) Regulations

3. Tobacco advertisements in printed publications

Regulation 6A of the Smoking (Public Health) Regulations (Cap. 371 sub. leg.) is amended by adding---

"(15) The prescribed form of a health warning may be a combination of words, pictures and graphics."

Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) Order

4. Cigarette packets and retail containers

Paragraph 3 of the Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) Order (Cap. 371 sub. leg.) is amended by adding---

"(8) A health warning prescribed in the Schedule may be a combination of words, pictures and graphics."

Explanatory Memorandum

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the Smoking (Public Health) Ordinance (Cap. 371) and its subsidiary legislation---

(a) to increase the no smoking area of a restaurant from not less than one-third to not less than half;

(b) to amend the requirement that a restaurant with indoor seating accommodation of more than 200 persons must provide no smoking area to more than 100 persons; and

(c) to provide that the prescribed health warning may be a combination of words, pictures and graphics.