

(5) A RESEARCH OR EDUCATIONAL LABORATORY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INTO THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF TOBACCO SMOKE.

24-506.

(A) SIGNS THAT STATE "SMOKING PERMITTED IN THIS ROOM" SHALL BE PROMINENTLY POSTED AND PROPERLY MAINTAINED WHERE SMOKING IS ALLOWED UNDER § 24-505(2) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE SIGNS SHALL BE POSTED AND MAINTAINED BY THE OWNER, OPERATOR, MANAGER, OR OTHER PERSON HAVING CONTROL OF THE AREA.

(C) THE LETTERS ON THE SIGNS SHALL BE AT LEAST 1 INCH IN HEIGHT.

24-507.

(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT PROHIBIT ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE IN INDOOR AREAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

(B) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30 OF EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON:

(1) THE ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT TO ELIMINATE ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE IN INDOOR AREAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE PRIOR YEAR; AND

(2) THE RESULTS OF THESE ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS.

24-508.

~~(A) A PERSON OR EMPLOYER WHO VIOLATES A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE OR A REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE CONSIDERED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY OF \$100 FOR THE FIRST VIOLATION AND AT LEAST \$250 FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION.~~

(A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON WHO VIOLATES A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE OR A REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER § 24-507(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE: