



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 199

February Session, 2024



AN ACT REQUIRING ONLINE PREVENTION EDUCATION FOR ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEM DEALER REGISTRATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Beginning not later than
2 October 1, 2024, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction
3 Services shall administer an online prevention education program for at
4 least one authorized owner or named designee of each applicant for a
5 dealer registration, or a renewal of a dealer registration, under section
6 21a-415 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. For the purposes
7 of this section, "authorized owner" and "dealer registration" have the
8 same meanings as provided in section 21a-415 of the general statutes, as
9 amended by this act.

10 Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 21a-415 of the 2024 supplement to the
11 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
12 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2024*):

13 (c) (1) Any applicant for a dealer registration or a renewal of a dealer
14 registration shall apply to the Department of Consumer Protection,
15 [upon forms to be furnished by the department, showing] in a form and
16 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection,
17 which application shall include, at a minimum, the name, address and

18 electronic mail address of the applicant, [and] the location of the
19 business entity that is to be operated under such dealer registration, the
20 name of an authorized owner and such authorized owner's contact
21 information, the name of a manager or supervisor who is or will be
22 physically present at the applicant's location or proposed location, and
23 a certification that an authorized owner or named designee of the
24 applicant has successfully completed the online prevention education
25 program administered by the Department of Mental Health and
26 Addiction Services pursuant to section 1 of this act. The [department
27 may] Department of Consumer Protection: (A) May require that an
28 applicant submit documents sufficient to establish that state and local
29 building, fire and zoning requirements will be met at the location of any
30 sale; [. The department] (B) may, in [its] the department's discretion,
31 conduct an investigation to determine whether a dealer registration
32 shall be issued to an applicant; and (C) shall not issue a dealer
33 registration or a renewal of a dealer registration to an applicant unless
34 the applicant certifies that an authorized owner or named designee of
35 the applicant has successfully completed the online prevention
36 education program administered by the Department of Mental Health
37 and Addiction Services pursuant to section 1 of this act.

38 (2) The commissioner shall issue a dealer registration to any such
39 applicant not later than thirty days after the date of application unless
40 the commissioner finds: (A) The applicant has wilfully made a
41 materially false statement in such application or in any other application
42 made to the commissioner; [or] (B) the applicant has neglected to pay
43 any taxes due to this state; or (C) the authorized owner or named
44 designee of the applicant has not successfully completed the online
45 prevention education program administered by the Department of
46 Mental Health and Addiction Services pursuant to section 1 of this act.

47 (3) A dealer registration issued under this section shall be renewed
48 annually and may be suspended or revoked at the discretion of the
49 Department of Consumer Protection. Any applicant or business entity
50 aggrieved by a denial of an application, refusal to renew a dealer

