

2025 HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND LABOR

HB 1086

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1086
1/8/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund.

9:45 a.m. Chairman Warrey called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chair Ostlie, Vice Chair Johnson, Representatives Bahl, Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVille, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Discussion Topics:

- Fire Fund
- Performance standards
- Fire safety
- Restrictions
- Efficient use of resources
- Cash balance
- Fire prevention & safety education
- Safety program support
- Registration fees per cigarette brand
- Civil process
- Biannual budget
- Financial breakdown

9:47 a.m. Doug Nelson, State Fire Marshal, Insurance Department, introduced, testified and submitted testimony #28125.

9:52 a.m. Rachel Kriege, Administrative Division Director, ND Insurance Department testified in favor.

Additional written testimony:

Darren Schimke, President, Professional Fire Fighters of North Dakota, submitted testimony in favor #28170

10:04 a.m. Chairmen Warrey closed the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk



NORTH DAKOTA
Insurance Department

TESTIMONY

Doug Nelson, State Fire Marshal

House Industry, Business and Labor Committee

January 8, 2025

Good Morning Chairman Warrey and members of the House Industry, Business and Labor Committee. For the record, my name is Doug Nelson, State Fire Marshal. I stand before you today in support of House Bill 1086, which is an agency bill created to address the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund and hopefully not over complicate a very simple bill.

To provide some background, this fund was established in 2009 through HB 1368 under the Attorney General's Office, where the Fire Marshal Division was housed until last session. The purpose of the fund is to support the Fire Marshal in ensuring that cigarette brands are tested to meet specific performance standards designed to reduce fire hazards and prevent loss of life and property. Cigarette manufacturers must comply with these standards and contribute to the fund every three years.

HB 1086 expands the allowable uses of the fund to include Fire Marshal-related expenditures beyond the currently specified activities. Currently, the fund is primarily used for purchasing testing supplies, such as cigarettes and hairspray (totaling approximately \$11 for the biennium), as well as covering the salary and benefits of the Administrative Assistant when processing certifications (totaling approximately \$10,117 for the biennium). In comparison, the fund has received \$71,250 in fees during this biennium, with a current cash balance of \$464,303.

The State Fire Marshal's Office exists to protect public safety by enforcing laws that prevent fires, ensure safe handling of dangerous materials, maintain fire safety infrastructure, investigate fires, and educate the public about fire risks and prevention. Their role is essential in promoting fire safety and reducing the loss of life and property due to fires. We believe this proposed language change will provide greater flexibility in utilizing the funds, eliminating the need for overly specific restrictions. The Fire Marshal's Office will continue to fulfill the original purpose of the fund, ensuring its intended objectives are met while allowing for more efficient use of resources.

Chairman Warrey and members of the committee, I respectfully request a Do Pass recommendation, and am happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Professional Fire Fighters of North Dakota

Darren Schimke, President | 218-779-4122 | dschimke@wiktel.com

1/8/25

House Industry, Business and Labor Committee

Re: Support of HB 1086

Chairman Warrey and members of the House Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

My name is Darren Schimke, President of the Professional Fire Fighters of North Dakota representing 420 professional firefighters across our great state. We appreciate this opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 1086.

The State Fire Marshal's Office role is to protect the public by enforcing countless laws that prevent fires, investigation, and many other safety areas. Their hard work also assists us by providing fire safety education to the public which in turn makes our job safer.

The expanded allowable use of this fund contained within the language of HB 1086 will allow the State Fire Marshal's Office greater flexibility with accomplishing their goals.

The PFFND respectfully request a Do Pass on HB 1086.

Darren Schimke

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1086
1/15/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund.

3:38 p.m. Chairman Warrey opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chairman Ostlie, Vice Chairman Johnson, Representatives Bahl, Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVile, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Discussion Topics:

- Financials
- Tobacco companies
- States's fee structures
- Cigarette fire fatalities
- Tobacco brand testing
- 2010 program inception
- Fire saver cigarettes
- Death prevention equipment

3:40 p.m. Representative Schauer moved Do Pass.

3:40 p.m. Representative Johnson seconded the motion.

3:43 p.m. Doug Nelson, State Fire Marshal, ND Insurance Department, additional information #29343.

3:56 p.m. Representative Schauer withdrew his motion.

3:57 p.m. Chairman Warrey closed the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk



REQUESTED INFORMATION

Doug Nelson, State Fire Marshal

House Industry, Business and Labor Committee

HB 1086

January 9, 2025

To Representative Warrey, Chairman House Industry, Business and Labor Committee, and Committee members,

This additional information is being provided in an effort to answer questions brought by the committee during the hearing on HB 1086 on January 8th, 2025.

Representative Kasper requested detailed budget numbers. As of December 31st, 2024, the State Fire Marshal's Office has spent a total of \$10,128.79 from Fund 374 (the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity fund). These funds were spent in ways and resources to carry-out the responsibilities or directly related to the responsibilities of this fund as prescribed in code.

The trial balance report for the fund is as follows for the biennium up to December 31st, 2024:

Balance Sheet Accounts

105251	Cash & Equiv at BND - Current	464,303.58
Total Balance Sheet Accounts		<u>464,303.58</u>

Revenues

420175	Registration Fees	71,250.00
490374	Tsfr Fm from AG	403,182.37
Total Revenues		<u>474,432.37</u>

Expenditures

511005	Salaries Full Time	6,322.02
516015	Employee Assist Program	2.33
516055	Health Insurance	2,492.05
516075	Basic Life Insurance	0.42
516165	Section 125 Adm Fee	12.50
516170	Social Security	471.96
516175	State Retirement	813.99
516205	Unemployment Insurance	2.34
532140	Testing Materials	11.18
Total Expenditures		<u>10,128.79</u>

Representative Schauer requested further explanation and detail of public safety initiatives the proceeds of this fund could be used for outside of the Ignition Propensity for Cigarettes program. Our focus for

having further authority to spend these funds would be to support public safety equipment, public safety education, and fire prevention training for fire chiefs.

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Distribution program. This program would be designed to assist in getting smoke and carbon monoxide (co) alarms distributed and installed for high-risk populations and homes that can't or struggle to afford their own fire safety equipment. This would include funding available to purchase or install smoke and CO alarms for special or other needs populations such as bed shakers, voice alarms, and strobe notification alarms. The program would also identify schools, childcares and state buildings where carbon monoxide alarms may not be installed due to changes in fire codes, and enable assistance to distribute and install carbon monoxide alarms in these occupancies.

- Biennium Budget estimate:
 - o Equipment (smoke/CO alarms, special needs alarms) - \$10,000.00

Firesafe Cannula Kits (oxygen tubing thermal cut-offs) Program. These kits can help prevent further injury and fire from smoking while on medical oxygen fires. The State of North Dakota has had multiple fatal fires resulting from smoking while on oxygen over the last few years. Oxygen tubing thermal cut-offs can help prevent further damage and injury if a cigarette ignites oxygen and tubing. Our goal through this program would be to work with the Department of Health and Human Services to identify high-risk populations and make this equipment available.

- Biennium Budget estimate:
 - o Equipment (thermal cutoffs, tubing connections) - \$5,000.00

Public Education Fire Safety Videos and Campaigns. This program would aim to utilize our current website and social media, but to build upon it with fire safety educational messages geared to various high-risk populations. This would include, but not be limited to, childcare fire safety videos, school age fire safety program, college age fire safety program, and others as identified or needed.

- Biennium Budget estimate:
 - o Equipment/services (video equipment, production services) - \$10,000.00

Fire Prevention Instructional Videos for Fire Chiefs. This program would provide online video training for various types of inspections that fire chiefs are expected to complete, and basic fire investigation procedures. The State Fire Marshals Office receives requests regularly from volunteer fire chiefs to provide further training or have training resources available for the noted topics. This would help expand fire safety inspection and investigation procedures throughout the state, resulting in more effective, efficient and consistent fire prevention.

- Biennium Budget estimate:
 - o Equipment/services (video equipment, production services) - \$10,000.00

There are other programs and initiatives that could help public fire safety and services to fire departments in North Dakota, but the above summarized plans are where our office is most prepared to make a difference. I hope this helps answer the questions from testimony. Please let me know if the committee has any further questions I can help with at this time.

Respectfully,

Douglas Nelson

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1086
1/21/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund.

11:09 a.m. Chairman Warrey opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chairman Ostlie, Vice Chairman Johnson, Representatives Bahl, Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVille, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Discussion Topics:

- Fee amount per brand
- Three-year certification
- Testing costs
- Funds used
- Fire protection education

11:18 a.m. Representative D. Ruby moved a Do Not Pass.

11:18 a.m. Representative Christy seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Jonathan Warrey	N
Representative Mitch Ostlie	N
Representative Landon Bahl	N
Representative Collette Brown	Y
Representative Josh Christy	N
Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille	N
Representative Karen Grindberg	N
Representative Jorin Johnson	N
Representative Jim Kasper	N
Representative Ben Koppelman	N
Representative Dan Ruby	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Austin Schauer	N
Representative Daniel R. Vollmer	Y

Motion failed 4-10-0.

11:38 a.m. Chairman Warrey closed the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1086
1/21/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund.

3:33 p.m. Chairman Warrey opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chair Ostlie, Vice Chair Johnson, Representatives Bahl, Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVille, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Discussion Topics:

- Rereferring to appropriations
- Must refer, may refer
- Fire Marshall operating funds
- Additional programs
- Excess to Insurance Reserve Fund
- Excess fee
- Fee adjustment
- \$100-250 fees
- May adjust fees
- Reduce fee
- Shall adjust fees
- Fees defray the actual cost
- 3-year renewal
- General fund transfer over 1 million
- Reduce the balance
- Investigating arson
- Fire safety program
- Appropriate funds
- Continuing appropriation
- Oxygen tube
- Craft & fund programing
- Prevention category
- Preventing fires
- Policy decision

3:58 p.m. Representative Koppelman moved to amend by changing; Sub 5; to delete the first sentence and to then change "may" to "shall" "to defray", all fees collationed shall be deposited into the Insurance Trust Fund. Sub section 6 will be deleted. and reduce the fee from \$250 to \$100.

3:59 p.m. Representative D.Ruby seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	AB
Representative Landon Bahl	AB
Representative Collette Brown	Y
Representative Josh Christy	Y
Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille	Y
Representative Karen Grindberg	Y
Representative Jorin Johnson	Y
Representative Jim Kasper	AB
Representative Ben Koppelman	Y
Representative Dan Ruby	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Austin Schauer	Y
Representative Daniel R. Vollmer	Y

Motion passed 11-0-3.

4:02 p.m. Representative Koppelman moved a Do Pass as amended.

4:02 p.m. Representative D.Ruby seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	AB
Representative Landon Bahl	AB
Representative Collette Brown	Y
Representative Josh Christy	Y
Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille	Y
Representative Karen Grindberg	Y
Representative Jorin Johnson	Y
Representative Jim Kasper	AB
Representative Ben Koppelman	Y
Representative Dan Ruby	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Austin Schauer	Y
Representative Daniel R. Vollmer	Y

Motion passed 11-0-3.

4:03 p.m. Representative Koppelman will carry the bill.

4:03 p.m. Chairman Warrey closed the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk

January 29, 2025

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Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the Insurance Commissioner)

1 A BILL ~~for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota~~
2 ~~Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter~~
3 ~~protection act enforcement fund.~~ for an Act to amend and reenact sections 18-13-03 and
4 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette
5 ignition propensity and the insurance regulatory trust fund; and to repeal section 18-13-08 of the
6 North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

8 ~~SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century~~
9 ~~Code is amended and reenacted as follows:~~
10 ~~6. There is established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Reduced~~
11 ~~Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act~~ reduced cigarette ignition
12 propensity and firefighter protection act ~~enforcement fund. The fund must consist of all~~
13 ~~certification fees submitted by manufacturers, and, in addition to any other moneys~~
14 ~~made available, be available pursuant to legislative appropriation, to defray the~~
15 ~~expenses associated with the administration of the state fire marshal solely to support~~
16 ~~processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities under this~~
17 ~~chapter department.~~

18 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
19 amended and reenacted as follows:

18-13-03. Certification and product change. (Contingent expiration date - See note)

1. Each manufacturer shall submit to the state fire marshal a written certification attesting that each cigarette listed in the certification has been tested in accordance with section 18-13-02 and each cigarette listed in the certification meets the performance standard set forth in subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 18-13-02.
2. Each cigarette listed in the certification must be described with the following information:
 - a. Brand or trade name on the package;
 - b. Style, such as light or ultra light;
 - c. Length in millimeters;
 - d. Circumference in millimeters;
 - e. Flavor, such as menthol or chocolate, if applicable;
 - f. Filter or nonfilter;
 - g. Package description, such as soft pack or box;
 - h. Marking approved in accordance with section 18-13-04;
 - i. The name, address, and telephone number of the laboratory, if different than the manufacturer that conducted the test; and
 - j. The date that the testing occurred.
3. The certifications must be made available to the insurance commissioner for purposes consistent with this chapter and the state tax commissioner for the purposes of ensuring compliance with this section.
4. Each cigarette certified under this section must be recertified every three years.
5. ~~For each cigarette listed in the certification or recertification, a manufacturer shall pay to the state fire marshal an initial fee of two hundred fifty dollars.~~ The state fire marshal ~~may adjust this~~ shall establish an annual fee ~~annually~~ to ~~ensure the fee defrays~~ defray the actual costs of the processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities required by this chapter. All fees collected must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund.
6. ~~There is established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act enforcement fund. The fund must consist of all certification fees submitted by manufacturers, and, in addition to~~

~~any other moneys made available, be available pursuant to legislative appropriation, to the state fire marshal solely to support processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities under this chapter.~~

~~7.~~ If a manufacturer has certified a cigarette under this section and makes any change to the cigarette which is likely to alter its compliance with the reduced cigarette ignition propensity standards required by this chapter, that cigarette may not be sold or offered for sale in this state until the manufacturer retests the cigarette in accordance with the testing standards set forth in section 18-13-02 and maintains records of that retesting as required by section 18-13-02. Any altered cigarette that does not meet the performance standards set forth in section 18-13-02 may not be sold in this state.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

26.1-01-07.1. Insurance regulatory trust fund established.

1. There is hereby created a trust fund designated "insurance regulatory trust fund". The following amounts must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund:

a. All sums received under section 18-13-03.

~~b.~~ All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.

~~b.c.~~ All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.2 from the insurance regulatory trust fund investments.

~~e.d.~~ All retaliatory fees imposed upon persons by the insurance department as authorized by law.

~~d.e.~~ All administrative penalties, fines, and fees collected by the commissioner from any person subject to this title.

~~e.f.~~ Any other amounts provided by legislative appropriation.

2. The moneys so received and deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund are reserved for use by the insurance department to defray the expenses of the department in the discharge of its administrative and regulatory powers and duties as prescribed by law subject to the applicable laws relating to the appropriations of state funds and to the deposit and expenditure of state moneys. The insurance department is responsible for the proper expenditure of these moneys as provided by law.

- 1 3. Except as otherwise provided by law, after the fiscal year has been closed and all
- 2 expenses relating to the fiscal year have been accounted for, the office of
- 3 management and budget shall transfer any fund balance remaining in the insurance
- 4 regulatory trust fund that exceeds one million dollars to the general fund.

5 **SECTION 3. REPEAL.** Section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1086**

Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Warrey, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.8126.01001)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (11 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1086 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1086
02/04/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund.

4:19 p.m. Chairman Warrey opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chairman Ostlie, Vice Chairman Johnson, Representatives Bahl, Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVille, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Discussion Topics:

- Transfer balance on effective date

4:21 p.m. Representative Koppelman moved to Reconsider.

4:21 p.m. Representative D. Ruby seconded the motion.

Voice vote.

Motion passed.

4:24 p.m. Representative Koppelman moved to Adopt Amendment presented and further amended by increasing the cap to 1.5 million #34809

4:24 p.m. Representative D. Ruby seconded the motion.

Voice vote.

Motion passed.

4:26 p.m. Representative Koppelman moved Do Pass as amended.

4:26 p.m. Representative Kasper seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	Y
Representative Landon Bahl	Y
Representative Collette Brown	Y
Representative Josh Christy	Y
Representative Lisa Finley-DeVille	Y
Representative Karen Grindberg	Y

Representative Jorin Johnson	Y
Representative Jim Kasper	Y
Representative Ben Koppelman	Y
Representative Dan Ruby	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	AB
Representative Austin Schauer	Y
Representative Daniel R. Vollmer	Y

Motion passed 13-0-1.

4:27 p.m. Representative Koppelman will carry the bill.

4:38 p.m. Chairman Warrey closed the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk

Rereferred to Appropriations on 02/10/25

February 11, 2025

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the Insurance Commissioner)

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1 A BILL ~~for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota~~
2 ~~Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter~~
3 ~~protection act enforcement fund.~~ for an Act to amend and reenact sections 18-13-03 and
4 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette
5 ignition propensity and the insurance regulatory trust fund; to repeal section 18-13-08 of the
6 North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to
7 provide a transfer.

8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

9 ~~SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century~~
10 ~~Code is amended and reenacted as follows:~~
11 ~~6. There is established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Reduced~~
12 ~~Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act~~ reduced cigarette ignition
13 propensity and firefighter protection act ~~enforcement fund. The fund must consist of all~~
14 ~~certification fees submitted by manufacturers, and, in addition to any other moneys~~
15 ~~made available, be available pursuant to legislative appropriation, to defray the~~
16 ~~expenses associated with the administration of the state fire marshal solely to support~~
17 ~~processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities under this~~
18 ~~chapter department.~~

19 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
20 amended and reenacted as follows:

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18-13-03. Certification and product change. (Contingent expiration date - See note)

1. Each manufacturer shall submit to the state fire marshal a written certification attesting that each cigarette listed in the certification has been tested in accordance with section 18-13-02 and each cigarette listed in the certification meets the performance standard set forth in subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 18-13-02.
2. Each cigarette listed in the certification must be described with the following information:
 - a. Brand or trade name on the package;
 - b. Style, such as light or ultra light;
 - c. Length in millimeters;
 - d. Circumference in millimeters;
 - e. Flavor, such as menthol or chocolate, if applicable;
 - f. Filter or nonfilter;
 - g. Package description, such as soft pack or box;
 - h. Marking approved in accordance with section 18-13-04;
 - i. The name, address, and telephone number of the laboratory, if different than the manufacturer that conducted the test; and
 - j. The date that the testing occurred.
3. The certifications must be made available to the insurance commissioner for purposes consistent with this chapter and the state tax commissioner for the purposes of ensuring compliance with this section.
4. Each cigarette certified under this section must be recertified every three years.
5. ~~For each cigarette listed in the certification or recertification, a manufacturer shall pay to the state fire marshal an initial fee of two hundred fifty dollars.~~ The state fire marshal ~~may adjust this~~ shall establish an annual fee annually to ~~ensure the fee defrays~~ defray the actual costs of the processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities required by this chapter. All fees collected must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund.
6. ~~There is established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act enforcement fund. The fund must consist of all certification fees submitted by manufacturers, and, in addition to~~

~~any other moneys made available, be available pursuant to legislative appropriation, to the state fire marshal solely to support processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities under this chapter.~~

~~7.~~ If a manufacturer has certified a cigarette under this section and makes any change to the cigarette which is likely to alter its compliance with the reduced cigarette ignition propensity standards required by this chapter, that cigarette may not be sold or offered for sale in this state until the manufacturer retests the cigarette in accordance with the testing standards set forth in section 18-13-02 and maintains records of that retesting as required by section 18-13-02. Any altered cigarette that does not meet the performance standards set forth in section 18-13-02 may not be sold in this state.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

26.1-01-07.1. Insurance regulatory trust fund established.

1. There is hereby created a trust fund designated "insurance regulatory trust fund". The following amounts must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund:

- a. All sums received under section 18-13-03.
- b. All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.
- ~~b.c.~~ All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.2 from the insurance regulatory trust fund investments.
- ~~e.d.~~ All retaliatory fees imposed upon persons by the insurance department as authorized by law.
- ~~d.e.~~ All administrative penalties, fines, and fees collected by the commissioner from any person subject to this title.
- ~~e.f.~~ Any other amounts provided by legislative appropriation.

2. The moneys so received and deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund are reserved for use by the insurance department to defray the expenses of the department in the discharge of its administrative and regulatory powers and duties as prescribed by law subject to the applicable laws relating to the appropriations of state funds and to the deposit and expenditure of state moneys. The insurance department is responsible for the proper expenditure of these moneys as provided by law.

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1 3. Except as otherwise provided by law, after the fiscal year has been closed and all
2 expenses relating to the fiscal year have been accounted for, the office of
3 management and budget shall transfer any fund balance remaining in the insurance
4 regulatory trust fund that exceeds one million five hundred thousand dollars to the
5 general fund.

6 **SECTION 3. REPEAL.** Section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

7 **SECTION 4. TRANSFER - REDUCED CIGARETTE IGNITION PROPENSITY FUND TO**
8 **INSURANCE REGULATORY TRUST FUND.** The office of management and budget shall
9 transfer any remaining balance in the reduced cigarette ignition propensity fund to the insurance
10 regulatory trust fund on August 1, 2025.

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Sixty-ninth
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of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the Insurance Commissioner)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 18-13-03 and 26.1-01-07.1 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and the
3 insurance regulatory trust fund; and to repeal section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century
4 Code, relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
7 amended and reenacted as follows:

8 **18-13-03. Certification and product change. (Contingent expiration date - [See note](#))**

- 9 1. Each manufacturer shall submit to the state fire marshal a written certification attesting
10 that each cigarette listed in the certification has been tested in accordance with section
11 18-13-02 and each cigarette listed in the certification meets the performance standard
12 set forth in subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 18-13-02.
- 13 2. Each cigarette listed in the certification must be described with the following
14 information:
- 15 a. Brand or trade name on the package;
 - 16 b. Style, such as light or ultra light;
 - 17 c. Length in millimeters;
 - 18 d. Circumference in millimeters;
 - 19 e. Flavor, such as menthol or chocolate, if applicable;
 - 20 f. Filter or nonfilter;
 - 21 g. Package description, such as soft pack or box;
 - 22 h. Marking approved in accordance with section 18-13-04;

- 1 i. The name, address, and telephone number of the laboratory, if different than the
- 2 manufacturer that conducted the test; and
- 3 j. The date that the testing occurred.
- 4 3. The certifications must be made available to the insurance commissioner for purposes
- 5 consistent with this chapter and the state tax commissioner for the purposes of
- 6 ensuring compliance with this section.
- 7 4. Each cigarette certified under this section must be recertified every three years.
- 8 5. ~~For each cigarette listed in the certification or recertification, a manufacturer shall pay~~
- 9 ~~to the state fire marshal an initial fee of two hundred fifty dollars.~~ The state fire marshal
- 10 ~~may adjust this~~shall establish an annual fee ~~annually to ensure the fee defrays~~defray
- 11 the actual costs of the processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities
- 12 required by this chapter. All fees collected must be deposited in the insurance
- 13 regulatory trust fund.
- 14 6. ~~There is established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Reduced-~~
- 15 ~~Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act enforcement fund. The fund~~
- 16 ~~must consist of all certification fees submitted by manufacturers, and, in addition to~~
- 17 ~~any other moneys made available, be available pursuant to legislative appropriation, to~~
- 18 ~~the state fire marshal solely to support processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight~~
- 19 ~~activities under this chapter.~~
- 20 7. If a manufacturer has certified a cigarette under this section and makes any change to
- 21 the cigarette which is likely to alter its compliance with the reduced cigarette ignition
- 22 propensity standards required by this chapter, that cigarette may not be sold or offered
- 23 for sale in this state until the manufacturer retests the cigarette in accordance with the
- 24 testing standards set forth in section 18-13-02 and maintains records of that retesting
- 25 as required by section 18-13-02. Any altered cigarette that does not meet the
- 26 performance standards set forth in section 18-13-02 may not be sold in this state.

27 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
28 amended and reenacted as follows:

29 **26.1-01-07.1. Insurance regulatory trust fund established.**

- 30 1. There is hereby created a trust fund designated "insurance regulatory trust fund". The
- 31 following amounts must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund:

- 1 a. All sums received under section 18-13-03.
- 2 b. All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.
- 3 ~~b.c.~~ All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.2 from the insurance regulatory trust
- 4 fund investments.
- 5 ~~c.d.~~ All retaliatory fees imposed upon persons by the insurance department as
- 6 authorized by law.
- 7 ~~d.e.~~ All administrative penalties, fines, and fees collected by the commissioner from
- 8 any person subject to this title.
- 9 ~~e.f.~~ Any other amounts provided by legislative appropriation.
- 10 2. The moneys so received and deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund are
- 11 reserved for use by the insurance department to defray the expenses of the
- 12 department in the discharge of its administrative and regulatory powers and duties as
- 13 prescribed by law subject to the applicable laws relating to the appropriations of state
- 14 funds and to the deposit and expenditure of state moneys. The insurance department
- 15 is responsible for the proper expenditure of these moneys as provided by law.
- 16 3. Except as otherwise provided by law, after the fiscal year has been closed and all
- 17 expenses relating to the fiscal year have been accounted for, the office of
- 18 management and budget shall transfer any fund balance remaining in the insurance
- 19 regulatory trust fund that exceeds one million dollars to the general fund.

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21 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota
22 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

23 3. Except as otherwise provided by law, after the fiscal year has been closed and all
24 expenses relating to the fiscal year have been accounted for, the office of management and
25 budget shall transfer any fund balance remaining in the insurance regulatory trust fund that
26 exceeds one million five hundred thousand dollars to the general fund.

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28 **SECTION 34. REPEAL.** Section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

29 **SECTION 4. TRANSFER – REDUCED CIGARETTE IGNITION PROPENSITY FUND TO**
INSURANCE REGULATORY TRUST FUND. The insurance commissioner shall transfer any
balance in the reduced cigarette ignition propensity fund on the effective date of this Act to
the insurance regulatory trust fund.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1086
02/10/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and firefighter protection act enforcement fund.

4:30 p.m. Chairman Warrey opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Warrey, Vice Chairman Ostlie, Vice Chairman Johnson, Representatives Bahl, Brown, Christy, Finley-DeVile, Grindberg, Kasper, Koppelman, D. Ruby, Schatz, Schauer, Vollmer

Discussion Topics:

- Committee Action

4:32 p.m. Representative Koppelman moved to Rerefer to appropriations.

4:32 p.m. Representative Ostlie seconded the motion.

Voice vote.

Motion passed.

4:36 p.m. Chairman Warrey adjourned the meeting.

Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1086**

Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Warrey, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.8126.01002](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1086 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

2025 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

HB 1086

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

HB 1086
2/19/2025

BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 18-13-03 and 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and the insurance regulatory trust fund; to repeal section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to provide a transfer

10:43 a.m. Chairman Vigesaa Opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Vigesaa, Vice Chairman Kempenich, Representatives Anderson, Berg, Bosch, Brandenburg, Fisher, Hanson, Louser, Martinson, Meier, Mitskog, Monson, Murphy, Nathe, Nelson, O'Brien, Pyle, Richter, Sanford, Stemen, Swiontek, Wagner

Discussion Topics:

- Firefighter Protection Act
- Cigarette Performance Standards

10:43 a.m. Representative Warrey introduced HB 1086.

10:50 a.m. Chairman Vigesaa closed the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Risa Berube, Committee Clerk

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

HB 1086
2/19/2025

BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 18-13-03 and 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and the insurance regulatory trust fund; to repeal section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to provide a transfer

5:56 p.m. Chairman Vigesaa Opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Vigesaa, Vice Chairman Kempenich, Representatives Anderson, Berg, Bosch, Brandenburg, Fisher, Hanson, Louser, Martinson, Meier, Mitskog, Monson, Murphy, Nathe, Nelson, O'Brien, Pyle, Richter, Sanford, Stemen, Swiontek, Wagner

Discussion Topics:

- Amendment

5:57 p.m. Chairman Vigesaa Introduced the amendment LC #25.8126.04001. #38111

5:58 p.m. Representative Murphy moved to adopt amendment LC# 25.8126.04001.

5:58 p.m. Representative Stemen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	Y
Representative Bert Anderson	Y
Representative Mike Berg	Y
Representative Glen Bosch	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Y
Representative Jay Fisher	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Scott Louser	Y
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	Y
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Y
Representative David Monson	Y
Representative Eric J. Murphy	Y
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y

Representative Brandy L. Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Gregory Stemen	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y
Representative Scott Wagner	Y

Motion passed 23-0-0.

5:59 p.m. Representative O'Brien moved to Do Pass as amended.

5:59 a.m. Representative Mitskog seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	Y
Representative Bert Anderson	Y
Representative Mike Berg	Y
Representative Glen Bosch	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Y
Representative Jay Fisher	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Scott Louser	Y
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	Y
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Y
Representative David Monson	Y
Representative Eric J. Murphy	Y
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y
Representative Brandy L. Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Gregory Stemen	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y
Representative Scott Wagner	Y

Motion passed as amended 23-0-0. Representative Kempenich will carry.

6:00 p.m. Chairman Vigesaa closed the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Risa Berube, Committee Clerk

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
FIRST ENGROSSMENT**

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1086

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the Insurance Commissioner)

2-19-25

JB 1083

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 18-13-03 and 26.1-01-07.1 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and the
3 insurance regulatory trust fund; to repeal section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code,
4 relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to provide a transfer.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 18-13-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
7 amended and reenacted as follows:

8 **18-13-03. Certification and product change. (Contingent expiration date - [See note](#))**

- 9 1. Each manufacturer shall submit to the state fire marshal a written certification attesting
10 that each cigarette listed in the certification has been tested in accordance with section
11 18-13-02 and each cigarette listed in the certification meets the performance standard
12 set forth in subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 18-13-02.
- 13 2. Each cigarette listed in the certification must be described with the following
14 information:
- 15 a. Brand or trade name on the package;
16 b. Style, such as light or ultra light;
17 c. Length in millimeters;
18 d. Circumference in millimeters;
19 e. Flavor, such as menthol or chocolate, if applicable;
20 f. Filter or nonfilter;

- 1 g. Package description, such as soft pack or box;
- 2 h. Marking approved in accordance with section 18-13-04;
- 3 i. The name, address, and telephone number of the laboratory, if different than the
- 4 manufacturer that conducted the test; and
- 5 j. The date that the testing occurred.
- 6 3. The certifications must be made available to the insurance commissioner for purposes
- 7 consistent with this chapter and the state tax commissioner for the purposes of
- 8 ensuring compliance with this section.
- 9 4. Each cigarette certified under this section must be recertified every three years.
- 10 5. ~~For each cigarette listed in the certification or recertification, a manufacturer shall pay~~
- 11 ~~to the state fire marshal an initial fee of two hundred fifty dollars. The state fire marshal~~
- 12 ~~may adjust this~~ shall establish an annual fee annually to ensure the fee defrays ~~defray~~
- 13 the actual costs of the processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities
- 14 required by this chapter. All fees collected must be deposited in the insurance
- 15 regulatory trust fund.
- 16 6. ~~There is established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Reduced~~
- 17 ~~Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act enforcement fund. The fund~~
- 18 ~~must consist of all certification fees submitted by manufacturers, and, in addition to~~
- 19 ~~any other moneys made available, be available pursuant to legislative appropriation, to~~
- 20 ~~the state fire marshal solely to support processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight~~
- 21 ~~activities under this chapter.~~
- 22 7. If a manufacturer has certified a cigarette under this section and makes any change to
- 23 the cigarette which is likely to alter its compliance with the reduced cigarette ignition
- 24 propensity standards required by this chapter, that cigarette may not be sold or offered
- 25 for sale in this state until the manufacturer retests the cigarette in accordance with the
- 26 testing standards set forth in section 18-13-02 and maintains records of that retesting
- 27 as required by section 18-13-02. Any altered cigarette that does not meet the
- 28 performance standards set forth in section 18-13-02 may not be sold in this state.

29 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 26.1-01-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
30 amended and reenacted as follows:

1 **26.1-01-07.1. Insurance regulatory trust fund established.**

2 1. There is hereby created a trust fund designated "insurance regulatory trust fund". The
3 following amounts must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund:

4 a. All sums received under section 18-13-03.

5 b. All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.

6 **b.c.** All sums received under section 26.1-01-07.2 from the insurance regulatory trust
7 fund investments.

8 **e.d.** All retaliatory fees imposed upon persons by the insurance department as
9 authorized by law.

10 **d.e.** All administrative penalties, fines, and fees collected by the commissioner from
11 any person subject to this title.

12 **e.f.** Any other amounts provided by legislative appropriation.

13 2. The moneys so received and deposited in the insurance regulatory trust fund are
14 reserved for use by the insurance department to defray the expenses of the
15 department in the discharge of its administrative and regulatory powers and duties as
16 prescribed by law subject to the applicable laws relating to the appropriations of state
17 funds and to the deposit and expenditure of state moneys. The insurance department
18 is responsible for the proper expenditure of these moneys as provided by law.

19 3. Except as otherwise provided by law, after the fiscal year has been closed and all
20 expenses relating to the fiscal year have been accounted for, the office of
21 management and budget shall transfer any fund balance remaining in the insurance
22 regulatory trust fund that exceeds one million ~~five hundred thousand~~ dollars to the
23 general fund.

24 **SECTION 3. REPEAL.** Section 18-13-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

25 **SECTION 4. TRANSFER - REDUCED CIGARETTE IGNITION PROPENSITY FUND TO**
26 **INSURANCE REGULATORY TRUST FUND.** The office of management and budget shall
27 transfer any remaining balance in the reduced cigarette ignition propensity fund to the insurance
28 regulatory trust fund on August 1, 2025.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED HB 1086**

Appropriations Committee (Rep. Vigesaa, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.8126.04001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (23 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1086 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

2025 SENATE INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS

HB 1086

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry and Business Committee Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HB 1086
3/17/2025

A bill relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to provide a transfer.

10:00 a.m. Chairman Barta opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Barta, Vice-Chair Boehm, Senator Klein, Senator Kessel, Senator Enget

Discussion Topics:

- Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act enforcement fund
- Purpose of the fund
- Cigarette manufacturer compliance
- Interim Healthcare Committee
- Fees collected for each cigarette brand and other fund
- Roll and importance of the State Fire Marshall
- Fund utilization flexibility
- Testing process and program
- Insurance Regulator Trust Fund
- Incident rate of fires and fatalities caused by cigarettes
- Definition and frequency of flareups

10:01 a.m. John Arnold, Deputy Insurance Commissioner, ND Department of Insurance, testified in favor and submitted testimony #42173.

10:16 a.m. Doug Nelson, State Fire Marshall, answered the committee's questions.

10:28 a.m. Chairman Barta closed the hearing.

Audrey Oswald, Committee Clerk



TESTIMONY SUPPORTING HB 1086

John Arnold, Deputy Insurance Commissioner

Senate Industry and Business Committee

March 17, 2025

Good morning, Chairman Barta and members of the committee. I stand before you today to introduce and ask for your support of HB 1086.

HB 1086 is an agency bill created to address the use of the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act enforcement fund. The fund was established in 2009 through HB 1368 during the 61st Legislative Assembly under the Attorney General's Office, where the State Fire Marshal's Office was housed. The purpose of the fund is to support the Fire Marshal in ensuring that cigarette brands are tested to meet specific performance standards designed to reduce the likelihood of a cigarette to cause a fire. This reduces fire hazards, prevents loss of life and property, and is in line with similar programs that are in place in most every other state.

To be in compliance with the program, cigarette manufacturers must initially test, then retest each brand to be sold in the state every three years. Along with the application packet documenting the testing and results, the companies must submit a \$250.00 fee for each cigarette brand. The State Fire Marshal's Office is required to report the findings and results of this program to the Interim Health Committee every interim session. The fees collected are currently deposited into a separate fund that is used for purchasing testing supplies, equipment to aid in carrying out the program, and the salary and benefits of the Administrative Assistant when processing these application certifications. Currently, we have spent approximately \$11,072 for the biennium. The fund has received \$102,500 in fees this biennium, and the fund has a current balance of approximately \$494,611.

The State Fire Marshal's Office exists to protect public safety by enforcing laws that prevent fires, ensure safe handling of dangerous materials, maintain fire safety infrastructure, investigate fires, and educate the public about fire risks and prevention. The Fire Marshal's role is essential in promoting fire safety and reducing risk and loss of life and property due to fires. We believe this proposed language change will provide greater flexibility in utilizing the funds by eliminating the need for overly specific restrictions. The State Fire Marshal's Office will continue to fulfill the original purpose of the fund, ensuring its intended objectives are met while allowing for more efficient use of resources.

Chairman Barta, members of the committee, I respectfully request your support with a do pass recommendation on HB 1086. Thank you for your time and I am happy to answer any questions.

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry and Business Committee Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HB 1086
3/19/2025

A bill relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and the insurance regulatory trust fund; and relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to provide a transfer.

9:07 a.m. Chairman Barta opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Barta, Vice Chair Boehm, Senator Klein, Senator Kessel, Senator Enget

Discussion Topics:

- Transfer of fees
- Fiscal amount per cigarette brand
- Fire Marshall's discretion on fees
- Consumer protection
- Other states statues

9:07 a.m. Chairman Barta led the committee discussion regarding a possible amendment about fees charged per brand of cigarettes.

9:09 a.m. Representative Warrey, District 22, answered committee questions.

9:15 a.m. Senator Klein moved a Do Pass.

9:15 a.m. Senator Kessel seconded.

9:15 a.m. Senator Klein withdrew his motion for a Do Pass.

9:16 a.m. Chairman Barta closed the hearing.

Audrey Oswald, Committee Clerk

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry and Business Committee Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HB 1086
3/19/2025

A bill relating to the use of the reduced cigarette ignition propensity and the insurance regulatory trust fund, and relating to the fire prevention and public safety fund; and to provide a transfer.

9:32 a.m. Chairman Barta opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Barta, Vice-Chair Boehm, Senator Klein, Senator Kessel, Senator Enget

Discussion Topics:

- Committee action
- Fiscal caps and the general fund

9:32 a.m. Senator Klein moved a Do Pass.

9:33 a.m. Senator Kessel seconded.

Senators	Vote
Senator Jeff Barta	Y
Senator Keith Boehm	Y
Senator Mark Enget	Y
Senator Greg Kessel	Y
Senator Jerry Klein	Y

Motion passed 5-0-0.

Senator Kessel will carry the bill.

9:34 a.m. Chairman Barta closed the hearing.

Audrey Oswald, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
REENGROSSED HB 1086 ([25.8126.05000](#))

Industry and Business Committee (Sen. Barta, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1086 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.