

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TOBACCO CONTROL

May 11th, 2000

MINUTE NO. 35

8:30 a.m. – Room 10

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Kowalsky in the Chair and Members Addley, Bakken, Bjornerud, Eagles and Wartman

Others Present

Tanya Hill, Committee Research Officer

2. The Committee agreed to meet *in-camera* to deliberate on the content of its report.
3. The Committee resumed consideration of the subject matter for its report to the Assembly (in accordance with the “Deliberation Outline” document adopted by the Committee on April 11th meeting).
4. The Committee resumed consideration of the Access Issues, as outlined by Item 7 of the “Deliberation Outline” document. With respect to the question of banning the sale of tobacco products in pharmacies, it was agreed to postpone a decision on this matter until after a written brief is received from the Association of Chain Pharmacies.
5. The Committee resumed considered the matter of “Age Restrictions,” as outlined in Item 4 or the “Deliberation Outline” document. It was agreed to leave the age restriction at the age of 18, as specified by federal law. However, in response to concerns raised about youth smoking in schools and school yards, it was agreed that the Committee should recommend that steps be taken by the government to ban all smoking on school property.
6. The Committee resumed considered the matter of “Youth Possession,” as outlined in Item 4 or the “Deliberation Outline” document. The committee agreed that a confiscation and fine regulation be adopted with respect to youth possession and that the fine be in the amount of \$50.00.
7. The Committee resumed review of the text of a draft of its first report to the Assembly.
8. The Committee adjourned at 9:40 a.m. until Wednesday May 17th, 2000 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 10.

Gregory A. Putz
Committee Clerk

Myron Kowalsky
Committee Chair