Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB1395H1 **Patron:** Peake
Bill Title: Possession of retail tobacco products and hemp products intended for smoking by a person younger than 21 years of age prohibited.

Bill Summary: Prohibits any person younger than 21 years of age from possessing any retail tobacco or hemp product intended for smoking, as those terms are defined in relevant law. Any retail tobacco or hemp product possessed in violation of this bill shall be deemed contraband and may be seized by a law-enforcement officer.

A second enactment directs the Department of Taxation to convene a work group consisting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, the Office of the Attorney General, the Virginia State Police, and the Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services to develop an enforcement program related to the sale of retail tobacco products or hemp products intended for smoking to individuals younger than 21 years of age. The work groups' findings and recommendations are to be reported to the Chairs of the House Committees on General Laws and Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Rehabilitation and Social Services and Finance and Appropriations no later than November 1, 2025.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No. **Items Impacted:** N/A
Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: No measurable state fiscal impact.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on state operations that cannot be absorbed.

Other: This bill is similar to SB1060S3 and HB1946S3.