

HB 2432 -- Youth Smoking Prevention

Sponsor: Harris (23)

This bill creates the Youth Smoking Prevention Trust Fund for the deposit of moneys received from the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement beginning in Fiscal Year 2009 for evidence-based youth smoking prevention programs proven to reduce youth smoking. The Commission for Youth Smoking Prevention is established within the Department of Health and Senior Services consisting of 13 members to designate money from the fund for youth smoking prevention programs. The commission must provide an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 15 containing information about the youth smoking programs, evaluations, and number of applicants based on accountability standards established by the commission.