

The Florida Senate  
**HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY**

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BILL: CS/CS/CS/SB 810, 1st Engrossed  
INTRODUCER: Simmons  
SUBJECT: Tobacco Products and Nicotine Products  
DATE: March 11, 2020

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**I. Amendments Contained in Message:**

House Amendment 1 – 930591 (body with title)

**II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1:**

- References persons “21 years of age or older,” rather than “adults,” in the context of mail order, Internet, and remote sales of tobacco. Deletes the definition of “adult.”
- Specifies that foods containing incidental amounts of nicotine will not be regulated as nicotine products.
- Maintains the current-law exemption that allows a person acting within his or her scope of lawful employment to possess tobacco products, even if under age 21.
- Provides for a limited retail tobacco products dealer permit for those retail sellers that indicate an intent to only deal, at retail, in liquid nicotine products, nicotine products, or vapor-generating electronic devices, or a combination thereof, with no fee associated with the limited permit.
- Prohibits a retailer with a limited permit (as described above) from dealing in Florida, at retail, in loose tobacco leaves, products made from tobacco leaves, in whole or in part, and cigarette wrappers, which can be used for smoking, sniffing, or chewing.
- Provides that any retailer that pays the annual permit fee for a retail tobacco products dealer permit may deal, at retail, in all tobacco products.
- Provides an effective date of January 1, 2021, instead of October 1, 2020, as in the underlying bill.