

Ordinance # _____

Chapter 131

General Offenses

THE CITY OF DOVER ORDAINS

- Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to amend Chapter 131 Entitled “General Offenses,” of the Code of the City of Dover, 1983
- Section 2. Intent. Whereas there is an interest in protecting public health, reducing youth access to tobacco products and limiting the damages of tobacco products, such as addiction, disability, and death; the intent of this ordinance is to raise the purchase, use, and possession age of tobacco products, as defined in NH RSA 126-K, and electronic cigarettes to 21.
- Section 3. Added. Chapter 131 entitled “General Offenses” of the Code of the City of Dover, 1983, is hereby amended by adding the following new section 131-24 as described below:

Proposed new section to read as follows:

131-24. Purchase, Use, and Possession of Tobacco Products:

- (a) No person under the age of 21 shall:
- i. Purchase a tobacco product or Electronic Cigarette;
 - ii. Use or possess a tobacco product or Electronic Cigarette;
- (b) No person or business shall:
- i. Sell or provide a tobacco product or Electronic Cigarette to a person under the age of 21
- (c) For purposes of this ordinance, the term tobacco product shall include any product defined as a tobacco product in NH RSA 126-K and defined as an Electronic Cigarette in 131-1 of this Chapter.
- (d) Any person violating the provisions of the City Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of up to \$50.00 for a first offense and up to \$100.00 for a second or subsequent offense.

Section 3. Takes Effect.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the passage
and publication as required by RSA 47:18

Approved as to form:

Sponsored by:
Mayor Karen Weston

By Request

Recorded by:
