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Re: PQ ref 28420/24

Question:

“To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of the presence of a new nicotine inhaling product type on the market (details supplied); to provide details of the regulations which apply to this product type; the agency responsible for the enforcement of these regulations; the enforcement actions, if any, taken to date; the taxation category which applies to this product category; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Response:

The Tobacco Products Directive 2014/40/EU regulates the manufacture, presentation and sale of tobacco and related products. This directive is transposed into Irish law by the EU (Manufacture, Presentation and Sale of Tobacco and Related Products) Regulations 2016 (S.I. No. 271 of 2016) (as amended by S.I. No. 252 of 2017, S.I. No. 132 of 2018, S.I. No. 365 of 2018, S.I. No. 614 of 2021 and S.I. 335 of 2023), (the Regulations). The Health Service Executive (HSE) is one of the competent authorities under these Regulations; and the National Environmental Health Service (NEHS) is responsible for the enforcement of this legislation.

The NEHS will follow up this matter but does not comment on individual products for operational reasons.

The HSE has no responsibility for the taxation category of any products and cannot comment in this regard.

Yours Sincerely,

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