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Pádraig Rice TD
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

RE: PQ Ref 25938/25

Dear Deputy Rice,

The Minister has referred PQ ref 25938/25 to the Health Service Executive for a direct reply. Please see response to your PQ below.

Question:

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of retail outlets registered to sell tobacco on the National Register of Tobacco retailers in 2024 and to date in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Response:

Retailers who carry on in whole or in part the business of selling tobacco products by retail are required under Section 37 of the Public Health (Tobacco) Act 2002 as amended, to register with the Health Service Executive (HSE). The Public Health (Tobacco) (Registration) Regulation 2009 allows the HSE National Tobacco Control Office to collect the information necessary for the establishment and maintenance of the Register, known as the National Register of Tobacco Retailers (NRTR). The National Environmental Health Service (NEHS) enforces this legislation to ensure that retailers of tobacco products are notified to the HSE.

At the end of 2024, 12,556 retailers selling tobacco products were registered with the HSE. On 18th May 2025, 12,734 retailers were listed on the National Register of Tobacco Retailers.

I trust the information provided answers your question.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Maurice Mulcahy
Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer