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Dear Tobacco Retail Establishment,

New Law Impacting Tobacco Businesses

House Bill 324 was passed during the 2018 legislative session.

For specific details on this new legislation, please Google “HB 324 utah” or go to this link
<https://le.utah.gov/~2018/bills/hbillenr/HB0324.pdf>.

What Will the New Law Do?

Among other things, the new law:

- Requires a tobacco retail establishment to obtain a permit from their LHD in order to sell tobacco products;
- Establishes the standards that a LHD shall apply when determining whether to issue a permit to a tobacco retailer;
- Defines penalties for tobacco permitting violations (i.e. sells to underage persons); and
- Amends municipal and county license parameters for a retail tobacco specialty business.

When Will These Changes Begin?

A tobacco retail establishment that holds a valid Utah State Tax Commission license on July 1, 2018 may operate without a LHD permit until December 31, 2018. All tobacco retail establishments must obtain a permit from their LHD before January 1, 2019.

Our goal is to have the permit application process available on our website at
www.swuhealth.org by October 1, 2018.

If you have questions, please email or call Kye Nordfelt at knordfelt@swuhealth.org or 435-986-2593.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kye Nordfelt". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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