

HB 1189 -- Sale of Baking Soda

Sponsor: El-Amin

This bill requires all packages of sodium bicarbonate, commonly known as baking soda, to be sold from behind a pharmacy or checkout counter where the public is not permitted. Anyone purchasing baking soda must provide photo identification showing his or her date of birth, and anyone younger than 18 years of age is prohibited from purchasing more than two ounces. Beginning November 26, 2007, any person who sells baking soda must implement and maintain a written or electronic log of each transaction. The log must include the name and address of the purchaser, the amount of baking soda purchased, the date of each purchase, and the name or initials of the person selling the baking soda. Any person who knowingly or recklessly violates the provisions of the bill will be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.