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§24–509.

(a) Within 90 days from the receipt of an application for a waiver and the date that all conditions for the application for a waiver required in the regulations adopted by the Secretary have been satisfied, the health officer of a county may grant a waiver from the application of a specific provision of this subtitle, if prior to the granting of the waiver, the applicant for a waiver establishes in writing:

(1) Compliance with a specific provision of this subtitle would cause undue financial hardship; or

(2) The existence of other factors that would render compliance unreasonable.

(b) The Secretary may impose conditions or restrictions on a waiver granted under subsection (a) of this section to:

(1) Minimize the adverse effects of the waiver on individuals involuntarily exposed to secondhand smoke; and

(2) Ensure that the waiver is consistent with the purposes of this subtitle.

(c) The Secretary shall adopt regulations necessary to implement this section.

(d) (1) A waiver may not be granted under subsection (a) of this section on or after January 31, 2011.

(2) A waiver granted under subsection (a) of this section terminates on January 31, 2011.

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