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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 245-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 3 "(a) Every wholesaler or dealer, in addition to any other
- 4 taxes provided by law, shall pay for the privilege of conducting
- 5 business and other activities in the State:
- 6 (1) An excise tax equal to 5.00 cents for each cigarette
 7 sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer
 8 after June 30, 1998, whether or not sold at wholesale,
 9 or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by
 10 the wholesaler or dealer;
 - (2) An excise tax equal to 6.00 cents for each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer after September 30, 2002, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
 - (3) An excise tax equal to 6.50 cents for each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer after June 30, 2003, whether or not sold at wholesale,

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- (4) An excise tax equal to 7.00 cents for each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer after June 30, 2004, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
- (5) An excise tax equal to 8.00 cents for each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on and after September 30, 2006, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
- (6) An excise tax equal to 9.00 cents for each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on and after September 30, 2007, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
- (7) An excise tax equal to 10.00 cents for each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on and after September 30, 2008, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer;

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1	(8)	An excise tax equal to 13.00 cents for each cigarette
2		sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on
3		and after July 1, 2009, whether or not sold at
4		wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon
5		the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
6	(9)	An excise tax equal to 11.00 cents for each little
7		cigar sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or
8		dealer on and after October 1, 2009, whether or not
9		sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same
10		rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
11	(10)	An excise tax equal to 15.00 cents for each cigarette
12		or little cigar sold, used, or possessed by a
13		wholesaler or dealer on and after July 1, 2010,
14		whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then
15		at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or
16		dealer;
17	(11)	An excise tax equal to 16.00 cents for each cigarette
18		or little cigar sold, used, or possessed by a
19		wholesaler or dealer on and after July 1, 2011,
20		whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then
21		at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or
22		dealer;

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1	(12)	An excise tax equal to cents for each cigarette
2		or little cigar sold, used, or possessed by a
3		wholesaler or dealer on and after October 1, 2014;
4		whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then
5		at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or
6		<pre>dealer;</pre>
7	[(12)]	(13) An excise tax equal to seventy per cent of the
8		wholesale price of each article or item of tobacco
9		products, other than large cigars, sold by the
10		wholesaler or dealer on and after September 30, 2009,
11		whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then
12		at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or
13		dealer; and
14	[(13)]	(14) An excise tax equal to fifty per cent of the
15		wholesale price of each large cigar of any length,
16		sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on
17		and after September 30, 2009, whether or not sold at
18		wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon
19		the use by the wholesaler or dealer.
20	Where the	tax imposed has been paid on cigarettes, little
21	cigars, o	r tobacco products that thereafter become the subject
22	of a casua	alty loss deduction allowable under chapter 235, the
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- 1 tax paid shall be refunded or credited to the account of the
- 2 wholesaler or dealer. The tax shall be applied to cigarettes
- 3 through the use of stamps."
- 4 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Health; Cigarette Tax

Description:

Amends the tax on cigarettes and little cigars by an unspecified amount.

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