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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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
- the wholesaler or dealer;
- 11 (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
- 14 wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon
- the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
- 16 (3) An excise tax equal to 6.50 cents for each cigarette
- sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer

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2		or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by
3		the wholesaler or dealer;
4	(4)	An excise tax equal to 7.00 cents for each cigarette
5		sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer
6		after June 30, 2004, whether or not sold at wholesale,
7		or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by
8		the wholesaler or dealer;
9	(5)	An excise tax equal to 8.00 cents for each cigarette
10		sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on
11		and after September 30, 2006, whether or not sold at
12		wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon
13		the use by the wholesaler or dealer;
14	(6)	An excise tax equal to 9.00 cents for each cigarette

after June 30, 2003, whether or not sold at wholesale,

- (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

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

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1		whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then
2		at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or
3		dealer;
4	(12)	An excise tax equal to seventy per cent of the
5		wholesale price of each article or item of tobacco
6		products, other than large cigars, sold by the
7		wholesaler or dealer on and after September 30, 2009,
8		whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then
9		at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or
10		dealer; [and]
11	(13)	An excise tax equal to fifty per cent of the wholesale
12		price of each large cigar of any length, sold, used,
13		or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on and after
14		September 30, 2009, whether or not sold at wholesale,
15		or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by
16		the wholesaler or dealer [-] ; and
17	(14)	An excise tax equal to the lesser of:
18		(A) 50.00 cents for each large cigar of any length;
19		<u>or</u>
20		(B) Fifty per cent of the wholesale price of each
21		large cigar of any length,

sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer on
and after July 1, 2019, whether or not sold at
wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon
the use by the wholesaler or dealer.
Where the tax imposed has been paid on cigarettes, little
cigars, or tobacco products that thereafter become the subject
of a casualty loss deduction allowable under chapter 235, the
tax paid shall be refunded or credited to the account of the
wholesaler or dealer. The tax shall be applied to cigarettes
through the use of stamps."
SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.
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Report Title:

Taxation; Excise Tax; Large Cigars

Description:

Amends the excise tax rate on large cigars.

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