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SENATE DRS85077-SQxz-11 (02/23)

Short Title: Increase Cig. Tax/Proceeds to MHTF. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Nesbitt, Allran, Atwater, Dannelly, Malone, Purcell, and Shaw.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE THE RATE OF TAX ON
3 CIGARETTES AND TO CREDIT THE NET PROCEEDS OF THIS INCREASE TO THE
4 MENTAL HEALTH TRUST FUND, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT
5 LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH,
6 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 SECTION 1. G.S. 105-113.5 reads as rewritten:

9 "§ 105-113.5. Tax on cigarettes.

10 A tax is levied on the sale or possession for sale in this State, by a distributor, of all
11 cigarettes at the rate of ~~one and three fourths cents (1.75¢)~~ five and ninety-five hundredths cents
12 (5.95¢) per individual cigarette. The Secretary shall credit the net proceeds collected under this
13 Part as follows:

14 (1) Seventy percent (70%) to the Trust Fund for Mental Health, Developmental
15 Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and Bridge Funding Needs
16 established under G.S. 143C-9-2.

17 (2) Thirty percent (30%) to the General Fund."

18 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

