

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

Action:	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
Vote:	4 - 1 - 0
Yeas:	Avakian, Gordly, Monroe, Prozanski
Nays:	Beyer
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	4/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Creates a task force on cigarette sales to study sales and other means of supplying cigarettes to and by retailers, wholesalers, and manufacturers. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the original measure.

BACKGROUND: Currently, cigarette distributors receive a reimbursement from the state to compensate them for the expenses of placing stamps on cigarette cartons. Expenses include the cigarette tax stamping machine, the electricity to run the machine and operator costs. Proponents of the measure are concerned that the reimbursement rate for those who place the tax stamp on cigarettes is too low. The task force created by this measure will study this issue.