House Bill 2066

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Increases cigarette tax and provides for distribution of increase in revenue. Applies increase to cigarettes distributed on or after January 1, 2016, and to existing inventories of cigarettes not yet acquired by consumers as of January 1, 2016.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to tax on cigarettes; creating new provisions; amending ORS 323.031 and 323.457; pre-3 scribing an effective date; and providing for revenue raising that requires approval by a three-4 fifths majority.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 323.031 is amended to read:

- 323.031. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 323.030 (2) and in addition to and not in lieu of any other tax, every distributor shall pay a tax upon distributions of cigarettes at the rate of [30] **92.5** mills for the distribution of each cigarette in this state.
- (2) Any cigarette for which a tax has once been imposed under ORS 323.005 to 323.482 may not be subject upon a subsequent distribution to the taxes imposed by ORS 323.005 to 323.482.

SECTION 2. ORS 323.457 is amended to read:

- 323.457. (1) Moneys received under ORS 323.031 shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. After the payment of refunds:
- (a) [29.37/30] **29.37/92.5** of the moneys shall be credited to the Oregon Health Plan Fund established under ORS 414.109;
- (b) [0.14/30] **0.14/92.5** of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the cities of this state;
- (c) [0.14/30] **0.14/92.5** of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the counties of this state;
- (d) [0.14/30] **0.14/92.5** of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation to be distributed and transferred to the Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established under ORS 391.800; [and]
- (e) [0.21/30] **17.71/92.5** of the moneys shall be credited to the Tobacco Use Reduction Account established under ORS 431.832[.];
- (f) 25/92.5 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority for the purpose of making contract payments to coordinated care organizations under ORS 414.625; and
- (g) 20/92.5 shall be credited to the Oregon Health Authority Fund established by ORS 413.101, for the purpose of providing the services described in ORS 430.630.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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- (2)(a) Moneys distributed to cities and counties under this section shall be distributed to each city or county using the proportions used for distributions made under ORS 323.455.
- (b) Moneys shall be distributed to cities, counties and the Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund at the same time moneys are distributed to cities, counties and the Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund under ORS 323.455.
- SECTION 3. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other tax, for the privilege of holding or storing cigarettes for sale, use or consumption, a floor tax is imposed upon every dealer at the rate of 62.5 mills for each cigarette in the possession of or under the control of the dealer in this state at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2016.
- (2) The tax imposed by this section is due and payable on or before January 20, 2016. Any amount of tax that is not paid within the time required shall bear interest at the rate established under ORS 305.220 per month, or fraction of a month, from the date on which the tax is due to be paid, until paid.
- (3) By January 20, 2016, every dealer must file a report with the Department of Revenue in such form as the department may prescribe. The report must state the number of cigarettes in the possession of or under the control of the dealer in this state at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2016, and the amount of tax due. Each report must be accompanied by a remittance payable to the department for the amount of tax due.
 - (4) As used in this section, "dealer" has the meaning given that term in ORS 323.010.
- SECTION 4. Notwithstanding ORS 323.030 (3), for the privilege of distributing cigarettes as a distributor, as defined in ORS 323.015, and for holding or storing cigarettes for sale, use or consumption, a floor tax and cigarette adjustment indicia tax is imposed upon every distributor in the amount of \$1 and 56.25 cents for each Oregon cigarette tax stamp bearing the designation "25," and in the amount of \$1.25 cents for each Oregon cigarette tax stamp bearing the designation "20," that is affixed to any package of cigarettes in the possession of or under the control of the distributor at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2016.
- SECTION 5. (1) Every distributor as defined in ORS 323.015 must take an inventory as of 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2016, of all packages of cigarettes to which are affixed Oregon cigarette tax stamps and of all unaffixed Oregon cigarette tax stamps in the possession of or under the control of the distributor.
- (2) Every distributor must file a report with the Department of Revenue by January 20, 2016, in such form as the department may prescribe, showing:
- (a) The number of Oregon cigarette tax stamps, with the designations of the stamps, that were affixed to packages of cigarettes in the possession of or under the control of the distributor at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2016; and
- (b) The number of unaffixed Oregon cigarette tax stamps, with the designations of the stamps, that were in the possession of or under the control of the distributor at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2016.
- (3) The amount of tax required to be paid with respect to the affixed Oregon cigarette tax stamps shall be computed pursuant to section 4 of this 2015 Act and remitted with the distributor's report. Any amount of tax not paid within the time specified for the filing of the report shall bear interest at the rate established under ORS 305.220 per month, or fraction of a month, from the due date of the report until paid.
- SECTION 6. All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the taxes imposed by sections 3 and 4 of this 2015 Act shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in

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1	a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. After payment of refunds, the balance
2	shall be credited to the General Fund.
3	SECTION 7. The amendments to ORS 323.031 and 323.457 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2015
4	Act apply to cigarette tax reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2016.
5	SECTION 8. This 2015 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2015
6	regular session of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.