LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

LEGISLATIVE BILL 60

Introduced by Wayne, 13.

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Tobacco Products Tax Act; to amend
- 2 section 77-4008, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to change
- 3 provisions relating to the tax on cigars, cheroots, and stogies as
- 4 prescribed; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original
- 5 section; and to declare an emergency.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 77-4008, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 77-4008 (1)(a) A tax is hereby imposed upon the first owner of
- 4 tobacco products to be sold in this state.
- 5 (b) The tax on cigars, cheroots, and stogies shall be twenty percent
- 6 of (i) the purchase price of the cigars, cheroots, or stogies paid by the
- 7 first owner or (ii) the price at which a first owner who made,
- 8 manufactured, or fabricated the cigars, cheroots, or stogies sells the
- 9 items to others, except that the maximum tax imposed under this
- 10 subdivision (b) shall be fifty cents for each cigar, cheroot, or stogie.
- 11 (c) (b) The tax on snuff shall be forty-four cents per ounce and a
- 12 proportionate tax at the like rate on all fractional parts of an ounce.
- 13 Such tax shall be computed based on the net weight as listed by the
- 14 manufacturer.
- 15 (d) (c) The tax on an electronic nicotine delivery system containing
- 16 three milliliters or less of consumable material shall be five cents per
- 17 milliliter of consumable material and a proportionate tax at the like
- 18 rate on all fractional parts of a milliliter.
- 19 (e) (d) The tax on an electronic nicotine delivery system containing
- 20 more than three milliliters of consumable material shall be ten percent
- 21 of (i) the purchase price of such electronic nicotine delivery system
- 22 paid by the first owner or (ii) the price at which the first owner who
- 23 made, manufactured, or fabricated the electronic nicotine delivery system
- 24 sells the item to others.
- 25 (f) (e) For electronic nicotine delivery systems in the possession
- 26 of retail dealers for which tax has not been paid, the tax under this
- 27 subsection shall be imposed at the earliest time the retail dealer: (i)
- 28 Brings or causes to be brought into the state any electronic nicotine
- 29 delivery system for sale; (ii) makes, manufactures, or fabricates any
- 30 electronic nicotine delivery system in this state for sale in this state;
- 31 or (iii) sells any electronic nicotine delivery system to consumers

- 1 within this state.
- 2 (g) (f) The tax on tobacco products other than cigars, cheroots,
- 3 <u>stogies</u>, snuff, and electronic nicotine delivery systems shall be twenty
- 4 percent of (i) the purchase price of such tobacco products paid by the
- 5 first owner or (ii) the price at which a first owner who made,
- 6 manufactured, or fabricated the tobacco product sells the items to
- 7 others.
- 8 (h) (g) The tax on tobacco products shall be in addition to all
- 9 other taxes.
- 10 (2) Whenever any person who is licensed under section 77-4009
- 11 purchases tobacco products from another person licensed under section
- 12 77-4009, the seller shall be liable for the payment of the tax.
- 13 (3) Amounts collected pursuant to this section shall be used and
- 14 distributed pursuant to section 77-4025.
- 15 Sec. 2. This act becomes operative on October 1, 2024.
- 16 Sec. 3. Original section 77-4008, Revised Statutes Supplement,
- 17 2023, is repealed.
- 18 Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 19 passed and approved according to law.