
DIGEST

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HB 111 Engrossed

2023 Regular Session

Hughes

Abstract: Extends the period of the tobacco tax exemption for cigars and pipe tobacco products sampled at the Premium Cigar Association convention.

Present law (R.S. 47:841 et seq.) levies a tax upon the sale, use, consumption, handling, or distribution of cigars, cigarettes, smoking and smokeless tobacco, vapor products, and electronic cigarettes according to classifications and rates provided in present law.

Present law exempts from this tobacco tax cigars and pipe tobacco sampled on the premises of convention facilities during the convention of the International Premium Cigar and Pipe Retailers Association. Provides that the exemption is effective through Dec. 31, 2025.

Proposed law changes the exemption's termination date such that the exemption will remain in effect through Dec. 31, 2035.

Proposed law changes the name of the association referred to in present law and proposed law from the International Premium Cigar and Pipe Retailers Association to the Premium Cigar Association.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 47:854(B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to the original bill:

1. Restore present law establishing a termination date for the exemption provided in present law.
2. Change the termination date for the exemption provided in present law from Dec. 31, 2025 to Dec. 31, 2035.
3. Change the name of the association referred to in present law and proposed law from the International Premium Cigar and Pipe Retailers Association to the Premium Cigar Association.