

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 984
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “altering” in line 6 down through “tax;” in line 7; in line 15, after “uses;” insert “providing for the distribution of certain tobacco tax revenues in certain years to a program to encourage and assist tobacco growers in the State to convert tobacco farmland to other productive uses;”; in line 17, after “revenues” insert “in certain years”; in line 18, after “Fund;” insert “providing that a certain percentage of the moneys in the Fund shall be used for certain purposes; providing that revenues distributed to the Fund shall be in addition to certain funding; requiring continued funding for certain programs;”; and in line 20, after “products” insert “, tobacco crop conversion.”.

On page 2, in line 2, strike “12-303(b).”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 21, strike “OR” and substitute “AND”; in line 22, after “TELEVISION” insert “AND PRINT SPACE IN NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES”; and in the same line, strike “BROADCASTING” and substitute “DISSEMINATING”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 24, insert:

“(C) AT LEAST 80% OF THE MONEYS AVAILABLE IN THE FUND IN A YEAR SHALL BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A)(1) OF THIS SECTION.

“(D) (1) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998, ADDITIONAL FUNDING UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED AS AN ADDITION TO AND MAY NOT BE SUBSTITUTED FOR MONEYS APPROPRIATED FROM OTHER SOURCES FOR THESE

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PROGRAMS AND PURPOSES.

(2) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999, THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING FOR THESE PROGRAMS AND PURPOSES EXCLUSIVE OF ANY FUNDING PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION AND § 2-1603 OF THE TAX - GENERAL ARTICLE MAY NOT BE LESS THAN THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, in line 29, after “(1)” insert “FOR FISCAL YEARS 1998 AND 1999 ONLY,”; in the same line, after “\$20,000,000” insert “EACH YEAR”; strike in their entirety lines 31 through 33, inclusive; in line 34, strike “(3)” and substitute “(2) FOR FISCAL YEARS 1998 AND 1999 ONLY,”; in the same line, after “\$5,000,000” insert “EACH YEAR”; and in line 37, strike “(4)” and substitute “(3)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 10 and 11 and substitute “BUYS OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS FROM A MANUFACTURER OR A DISTRIBUTOR.”.

On page 5, in line 20, strike “\$25” and substitute “\$75”; in lines 23 and 31, in each instance, strike “\$5” and substitute “\$25”; and in line 28, strike “\$50” and substitute “\$100”.

On page 7, strike beginning with “SELLS” in line 3 down through “STATE” in line 4 and substitute “BUYS THE OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS FROM A MANUFACTURER OR DISTRIBUTOR”; strike in their entirety lines 9 through 11, inclusive; and strike beginning with “SELLS” in line 20 down through “STATE” in line 21 and substitute “BUYS THE OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS FROM A MANUFACTURER OR DISTRIBUTOR”.

On page 11, in line 9, strike beginning with “sold” through “State” and substitute “bought by a wholesaler from a manufacturer or distributor”.