

BY: Senator Neall

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 190, AS AMENDED
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the bill, in line 3, after "cigarettes" insert "for a certain period of time"; in line 13, after "products;" insert "providing for the termination of part of this Act; authorizing the counties and Baltimore City to impose a tax on cigarettes at not more than a certain rate;".

On page 2 of the bill, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 8, inclusive; and in line 21, after "12-104," insert "12-105.".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In the Budget and Taxation Committee Amendments (HB0190/819428/1), in line 1 of Amendment No. 3, strike "36" and substitute "18"; in line 2, strike "72" and substitute "36"; and in line 3, strike "3.6" and substitute "1.8".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4 of the bill, in line 26, after "(b)" insert "(1)"; in the same line, strike "A" and substitute "EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A"; and after line 27, insert:

"(2) A COUNTY, INCLUDING BALTIMORE CITY, MAY IMPOSE A TAX ON CIGARETTES IN THE COUNTY.

(3) THE RATE OF A TAX IMPOSED BY A COUNTY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED:

(I) 18 CENTS FOR EACH PACKAGE OF 10 OR FEWER CIGARETTES;

(Over)

(II) 36 CENTS FOR EACH PACKAGE OF AT LEAST 11 AND NOT MORE THAN 20 CIGARETTES;

(III) 1.8 CENTS FOR EACH CIGARETTE IN A PACKAGE OF MORE THAN 20 CIGARETTES; AND

(IV) 1.8 CENTS FOR EACH CIGARETTE IN A PACKAGE OF FREE SAMPLE CIGARETTES.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 11 of the bill, after line 41, insert:

“SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 1 and 4 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Sections 1 and 4 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.

In the Budget and Taxation Committee Amendments (HB0190/819428/1), in line 4 of Amendment No. 4, strike “6.” and substitute “7.”; and in line 5, strike “7.” and “6”, respectively, and substitute “8.” and “7”, respectively.