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By: The President (Administration) and Senators Van Hollen and Ruben

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Tobacco Tax - Contraband Products - Disposition of Seized Property

- 3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to dispose of and destroy certain
- 4 contraband tobacco products; and generally relating to the seizure and forfeiture
- 5 of certain contraband property.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 7 Article Tax General
- 8 Section 13-841(b)
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
- 11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 13 Article Tax General
- 14 13-841.
- 15 (b) (1) The Comptroller shall [sell] DESTROY contraband tobacco products
- 16 seized under this title and forfeited [to a State institution, a nonprofit charitable
- 17 institution, a licensed cigarette wholesaler, or a licensed cigarette manufacturer in
- 18 the manner the Comptroller determines].
- 19 (2) The Comptroller shall sell at public auction a conveyance that is
- 20 seized under this title in connection with contraband tobacco products and forfeited.
- 21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
- 22 effect October 1, 2001.