House Calendar

Friday, March 01, 2013

52nd DAY OF THE BIENNIAL SESSION

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Third Reading

H. 71

An act relating to tobacco products

Amendment to be offered by Rep. Krowinski of Burlington to H. 71

By striking out Sec. 19 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 19 to read:

Sec. 19. 32 V.S.A. § 7811 is amended to read:

§ 7811. IMPOSITION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX

There is hereby imposed and shall be paid a tax on all other tobacco products except roll-your-own tobacco and little cigars taxed under section 7771 of this title, snuff, and new smokeless tobacco possessed in the state State of Vermont by any person for sale on and after July 1, 1959 which were imported into the state State or manufactured in the state State after said that date, except that no tax shall be imposed on tobacco products sold under such circumstances that this state State is without power to impose such tax, or sold to the United States, or sold to or by a voluntary unincorporated organization of the armed forces Armed Forces of the United States operating a place for the sale of goods pursuant to regulations promulgated by the appropriate executive agency of the United States. Such The tax is intended to be imposed only once upon the wholesale sale of any other tobacco product and shall be at the rate of 92 percent of the wholesale price for all tobacco products except snuff, which shall be taxed at \$1.87 per ounce, or fractional part thereof, new smokeless tobacco, which shall be taxed at the greater of \$1.87 per ounce or, if packaged for sale to a consumer in a package that contains less than 1.2 ounces of the new smokeless tobacco, at the rate of \$2.24 per package, and cigars with a wholesale price greater than \$2.17, which shall be taxed at the rate of \$2.00 per cigar if the wholesale price of the cigar is greater than \$2.17 and less than \$10.00, and at the rate of \$4.00 per cigar if the wholesale price of the cigar is \$10.00 or more. Provided, however, that upon payment of the tax within 10 days, the distributor or dealer may deduct from the tax two percent of the tax due. It shall be presumed that all other tobacco products, snuff, and new smokeless tobacco within the state State are subject to tax until the contrary is established and the burden of proof that any other tobacco products, snuff, and new smokeless tobacco are not taxable hereunder shall be upon the person in possession thereof. Wholesalers Licensed wholesalers of other tobacco

products, <u>snuff</u>, <u>and new smokeless tobacco</u> shall state on the invoice whether the price includes the Vermont tobacco products tax.

H. 205

An act relating to professions and occupations regulated by the Office of Professional Regulation

Committee Bill for Second Reading

H. 401

An act relating to municipal and regional planning and flood resilience.

(Rep. Quimby of Concord will speak for the Committee on Fish, Wildlife & Water Resources.)

Action Postponed Until March 13, 2013

Committee Bill for Second Reading

H. 395

An act relating to the establishment of the Vermont Clean Energy Loan Fund.

(**Rep. Botzow of Pownal** will speak for the Committee on **Commerce and Economic Development.**)

NOTICE CALENDAR

H. 418

An act relating to establishing premium and cost-sharing assistance, a sugar-sweetened beverage tax, and a health care claims tax.

(Rep. Fisher of Lincoln will speak for the Committee on Health Care.)

Favorable

H. 14

An act relating to the law enforcement authority of liquor control investigators

Rep. Weed of Enosburgh, for the Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs, recommends the bill ought to pass.

(Committee Vote: 8-0-0)

Consent Calendar Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16a

The following concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before today's adjournment. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Secretary's office and/or the House Clerk's office, respectively. For text of resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar and Senate Calendar of 2/28/2013.

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House concurrent resolution honoring Charles Rivers for 50 years of public service on behalf of the towns of Pittsford and Brandon

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Public Hearings

March 12, 2013 - Room 11 - 6:00-8:00 PM - H. 223, Lake Shore Protection

Information Notice

CROSSOVER DEADLINES

The following bill reporting deadlines are established for the 2013 session:

- (1) From the standing committee of last reference, excluding the Committees on Appropriations and Ways and Means, all House bills must be reported out of committee on or before March 15, 2013.
- (2) House bills referred pursuant to House Rule 35a, must be reported out of the Committees on Appropriations and Ways and Means on or before March 22, 2013.