

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A CREDIT FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS THAT A DISTRIBUTOR SHIPS OR TRANSPORTS TO AN OUT-OF-STATE CONSUMER, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING THE "CIGAR ON-LINE SALES EQUALIZATION ACT".

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Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 03/24/15.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The Finance Committee Report (04/22/15) includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
L.003	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

L.003 Staff has prepared amendment **L.003** (attached) to add a provision appropriating a total of \$15,826 General Fund to the Department of Revenue for FY 2014-15. This provision also appropriates \$1,200 to the Department of Personnel for FY 2014-15, which is from funds appropriated to the Department of Revenue. The provision also replaces the provision subjecting the act to petition with a safety clause. The Department of Revenue requires a FY 2014-15 appropriation to program its computer system in anticipation of implementing the tax credit and substituting a safety clause will ensure the Department of Revenue has access to funding to implement the act.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2014-15 and FY 2015-16 based on the March 2015 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package allocates a total of \$18.5 million General Fund to be available to fund 2015 legislation (including bills like this one that may require a General Fund appropriation for FY 2014-15). If the full \$18.5 million is not used to fund legislation, it will remain in the General Fund reserve.