## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

**HOUSE BILL 2035** 

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Short Title: Tobacco Products Tax Increase. (Public) Representatives Luebke, Glazier, Weiss (Primary Sponsors); and Insko. **Sponsors:** Referred to: Finance. May 10, 2007 1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TAX FOR CIGARETTES AND OTHER TOBACCO 3 PRODUCTS. 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 105-113.5 reads as rewritten: 6 **"§ 105-113.5.** (Effective July 1, 2006) Tax on cigarettes. 7 A tax is levied on the sale or possession for sale in this State, by a distributor, of all 8 cigarettes at the rate of one and three fourths cents  $(1.75\phi)$  three cents  $(3\phi)$  per individual 9 cigarette." 10 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 105-113.35(a) reads as rewritten: 11 Tax. – An excise tax is levied on tobacco products other than cigarettes at the rate of three percent (3%)twenty-four percent (24%) of the cost price of the products. 12 13 This tax does not apply to the following: 14 (1) A tobacco product sold outside the State. 15 A tobacco product sold to the federal government. (2) 16 (3) A sample tobacco product distributed without charge."

**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.