

THE SENATE
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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 20, 2024
TIME: 1:02 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: HHS

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A G E N D A

[HB 2504, HD2](#)

[\(HSCR1065-24\)](#)

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RELATING TO CIGARETTE TAXES.

Establishes a cigarette floor inventory tax on the stock inventory of cigarettes held by licensees before any increase in cigarette and tobacco tax laws is to be assessed and levied. Amends the cigarette tax rate and specifies the disposition of revenues collected at the amended rate. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

HHS/HRE, WAM

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Chair

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