SENATE BILL NO. 244–SENATOR JACOBSEN (BY REQUEST)

FEBRUARY 23, 1999

Referred to Committee on Taxation

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to sale of cigarettes. (BDR 32-1190)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Yes.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to taxation; revising the provisions governing the payment of wholesale dealers for cigarettes and other tobacco products; prohibiting certain actions regarding cigarettes manufactured for export outside the United States; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Chapter 370 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. A wholesale or retail dealer shall not:
- (a) Affix Nevada cigarette revenue stamps or metered machine impressions on;
- (b) Sell or distribute in this state; or
- 7 (c) Possess in this state with the intent to sell or distribute in this 8 state.
- 9 cigarettes manufactured for export outside the United States.
- 10 2. The department may impose a penalty on a wholesale or retail
- 11 dealer who violates subsection 1 as follows:
 - (a) For the first violation, a penalty of \$5,000.
 - (b) For each subsequent violation, a penalty of \$10,000.
- 14 3. As used in this section, "cigarettes manufactured for export
- outside the United States" means cigarettes contained in a package or
- 16 carton which indicates that the cigarettes are tax exempt and for use
- 17 outside the United States.

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- Sec. 2. NRS 370.001 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- As used in NRS 370.005 to 370.430, inclusive, and section 1 370.001
- of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms
- defined in NRS 370.005 to 370.055, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
- **Sec. 3.** NRS 370.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 370.070 The provisions of NRS 370.001 to 370.430, inclusive, *and*
- section 1 of this act do not apply to common carriers while engaged in
- interstate commerce which sell or furnish cigarettes on their trains, buses or airplanes. 10
- **Sec. 4.** NRS 370.505 is hereby amended to read as follows: 11
- 370.505 1. A retail dealer shall pay a wholesale dealer for all 12
- cigarettes and other tobacco products purchased from the wholesale dealer 13 14
- (a) If the eigarettes or other tobacco products were delivered to the retail 15 dealer on or after the 1st day of the month but before the 16th day of the month, on or before the 29th day of the same month; and 17
- (b) If the cigarettes or other tobacco products were delivered to the retail 18 dealer on or after the 16th day of the month but before the 1st day of the next month, on or before the 14th day of the next month.] on or before the 21 14th calendar day after the date of delivery, as indicated on the invoice.
- A wholesale dealer shall not extend credit or otherwise allow a retail 22 dealer to violate the provisions of subsection 1. 23
- The department may impose a penalty on a *retail dealer who* violates subsection 1 or a wholesale dealer who violates [the provision of] subsection 2 as follows: 26
 - (a) For the first violation, a penalty of \$500.

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- (b) For a second or subsequent violation, if paragraph (c) does not apply, a penalty of \$1,000.
- (c) For a third or subsequent violation within any 12-month period, a 30 penalty of \$5,000 or suspension or revocation of the license of the 31 32 [wholesale] dealer, or both.
- 4. Pursuant to a written complaint or upon its own motion, the 33 34 department shall investigate an alleged violation of subsection 1 or 2. The department shall give notice to the alleged violator and conduct a hearing, 35 36 if warranted by the investigation. The department may assess a penalty pursuant to subsection 3, if it determines that the [wholesale] dealer 37

violated the provisions of subsection 1 or 2.