

## Session 116 - (2005-2006)

### H 3194 General Bill, By Rice, E.H. Pitts and Clark

**Summary:** Cigarette tax increased

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 12-21-625 SO AS TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL LICENSE TAX ON EACH CIGARETTE SUBJECT TO THE LICENSE TAX ON CIGARETTES IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 1.5 CENTS ON EACH CIGARETTE, TO ESTABLISH THE HEALTH CARE AND PREVENTION FUND TO RECEIVE THE REVENUE OF THIS TAX AND PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF THIS FUND FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PURPOSES, DESIGNATING CERTAIN AGENCIES AND PROGRAMS AS RECIPIENTS, INCLUDING THE MEDICAID EXPANSION FUND TO RECEIVE FUNDING TO REPLACE HOSPITAL TAX, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ADDITIONAL TAX; TO AMEND SECTION 44-6-155, RELATING TO THE MEDICAID EXPANSION FUND, SO AS TO INCLUDE WITHIN THE FUND THE TAX IMPOSED BY SECTION 12-21-625; AND TO REPEAL ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 12, RELATING TO THE INDIGENT HEALTH CARE TAX ON HOSPITALS.

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