

HARRY HUGHES, Governor

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take effect July 1, 1984.

May 29, 1984

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 865.

This bill provides that the tax on packs of cigarettes containing more than 20 cigarettes each shall be 6-1/2 cents for each 10 cigarettes and 6-1/2 mills per cigarette on each cigarette in excess of 20 per pack.

Senate Bill 346, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 29, 1984, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 865.

Sincerely,
Harry Hughes
Governor

House Bill No. 865

AN ACT concerning

State Tobacco Tax - Rate of Tax

FOR the purpose of providing that the existing tax rate of 6 1/2 cents per 10 cigarettes or fractional part thereof applies when the cigarettes are in packs containing 20 or fewer cigarettes; providing that on packs of cigarettes containing more than 20 cigarettes each, the first 20 cigarettes shall be taxed at the existing rate and that the tax on each cigarette in excess of 20 cigarettes shall be a certain rate; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the State tobacco tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes
Section 433
Annotated Code of Maryland