

Subsection (c) of this section is revised to apply to a presumption of a license violation.

In this section, the defined terms "retailer", "subwholesaler", "vending machine operator", and "wholesaler" are substituted for the former reference to "wholesale dealers and retail dealers", for clarity.

Also in this section, the former phrase "not qualifying as distributors" is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (a) of this section, the phrase "[u]nless authorized by a license" is substituted for the former clause "[e]xcept as provided in § 451 of this subtitle", to clarify that accepting delivery of unstamped cigarettes is a violation of this title, if it is not authorized by a license.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the phrase "to determine that tobacco tax stamps are affixed properly to the package as required in § 12-304 of the Tax - General Article" is added to clarify the scope of inspection.

Defined terms: "Cigarette" § 607
 "License" § 610 "Retailer" § 610
 "Subwholesaler" § 610
 "Vending machine operator" § 610
 "Wholesaler" § 610

624. DISTRIBUTION AND INTENDED USE OF CIGARETTE BUSINESS LICENSE FEES.

(A) DISTRIBUTION.

THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE LICENSE FEES PAID TO THE COMPTROLLER UNDER THIS PART I OF THIS SUBTITLE TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.

(B) INTENDED USE.

IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT LICENSE FEES DISTRIBUTED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION BE USED FOR THE EXPENSES OF:

(1) ADMINISTRATION OF LICENSES ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(2) ENFORCEMENT OF THE CIGARETTE SALES BELOW COST ACT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 56, § 68.