



# *State of Tennessee*

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 347**

**SENATE BILL NO. 199**

**By Crowe, Overbey**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 225

By Marsh, Shepard, Byrd, Butt, Eldridge, Matheny, Wirgau, Harrison, Hawk, Carr, Swann, Lundberg, Pitts, McManus

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 25, Part 3, relative to the cost of cigarettes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-25-302, is amended by deleting subdivision (3) and substituting instead the following:

(3) "Cost of doing business by the retailer" is:

(A) Eight percent (8%) of the basic cost of cigarettes to the retailer until June 30, 2015;

(B) Eleven percent (11%) of the basic cost of cigarettes to the retailer beginning July 1, 2015 until June 30, 2016;

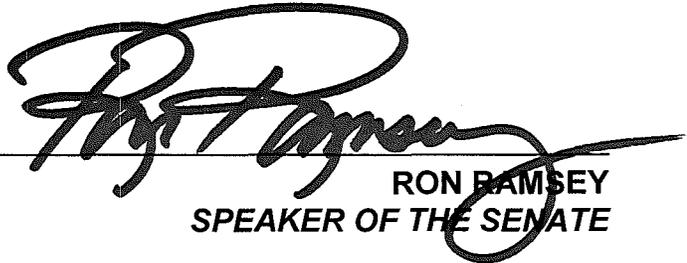
(C) Thirteen percent (13%) of the basic cost of cigarettes to the retailer beginning July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017; and

(D) Fifteen percent (15%) of the basic cost of cigarettes to the retailer beginning July 1, 2017 and thereafter;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 20, 2015

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of MAY 2015

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR