GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2009**

S 2 **SENATE BILL 410** Corrected Copy 3/6/09

Short Title:	Increase Cig. Tax/Proceeds to MHTF.						(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Nesbitt; McKissick, and Sno		Dannelly,	Malone,	Purcell,	Shaw,	Kinnaird,
Referred to:	Finance.						

March 5, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 2 AN ACT TO INCREASE TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE THE RATE OF TAX ON 3 CIGARETTES AND TO CREDIT THE NET PROCEEDS OF THIS INCREASE TO THE 4 MENTAL HEALTH TRUST FUND, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT **COMMITTEE** 5 LEGISLATIVE **OVERSIGHT** ON **MENTAL** HEALTH. 6 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES. 7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 105-113.5 reads as rewritten: 9 "§ 105-113.5. Tax on cigarettes.

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A tax is levied on the sale or possession for sale in this State, by a distributor, of all cigarettes at the rate of one and three fourths cents (1.75¢) five and ninety-five hundredths cents (5.95¢) per individual cigarette. The Secretary shall credit the net proceeds collected under this Part as follows:

- Seventy percent (70%) to the Trust Fund for Mental Health, Developmental (1) Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and Bridge Funding Needs established under G.S. 143C-9-2.
- Thirty percent (30%) to the General Fund." 17 (2)
- **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009. 18

