## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

**SENATE BILL 1314** 

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Short Title: Cigarette Tax 50 Cents. (Public) Senators Kinnaird; Dannelly, Gulley, and Lucas. Sponsors: Referred to: Finance. June 11, 2002 1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CIGARETTE TAX FROM FIVE CENTS A PACK TO 3 FIFTY CENTS A PACK. 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 105-113.5 reads as rewritten: 6 "§ 105-113.5. Tax on cigarettes. 7 A tax is levied on the sale or possession for sale in this State, by a distributor, of all 8 cigarettes at the rate of two and one-half mills cents (2  $1/2\phi$ ) per individual cigarette. 9 This tax does not apply to any of the following: 10 (1) Sample cigarettes distributed without charge in packages containing 11 five or fewer cigarettes. Cigarettes in a package of cigarettes given without charge by the 12 (2) 13 manufacturer of the cigarettes to an employee of the manufacturer who works in a factory where cigarettes are made, if the cigarettes are not 14 taxed by the federal government." 15

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2002.