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DIGEST

Morrell (SB 249)

Present law prohibits tobacco permits from being transferred.

<u>Present law</u> provides that if over 51% of a corporation is sold or transferred during the period for which a permit was issued, a new permit must be applied for, and the new owner must comply with provisions of law. <u>Present law</u> further provides that if the holder of the permit is an association, partnership, or limited partnership, a change of the controlling interest constitutes a change of ownership.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and extends holder of a permit to include limited liability company or any other legal entity.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 26:912(A))