

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 335 (HB 467)**

**2015 Regular Session**

**Harris**

New law prohibits all manufacturers and wholesale dealers from selling, delivering, or offering for sale, tobacco products to any retail dealer for any consideration other than cash or payment on terms.

New law requires the manufacturer and wholesaler to immediately notify the commissioner of any payments that have not been made by the due date or returned for insufficient funds, and further requires the commissioner to notify all manufacturers and wholesale dealers in the state that the retail dealer has defaulted on payment.

New law requires that upon notification all manufacturers and wholesale dealers in the state shall accept only cash delivery for any tobacco products until otherwise authorized by the commissioner. New law requires that the retail dealer in default to pay the obligation in full within 30 days of the due date.

New law authorizes the commissioner to suspend the permit of any person who violates the provisions of new law for not more than five days for the first offense and not more than 30 days for any subsequent offense, which includes each failure to make payment for any default during the period of suspension.

New law authorizes payment to be made in cash for all tobacco products subsequently sold or delivered to the retail dealer.

Effective August 1, 2015.

(Adds R.S. 26:909.1)