

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to Engrossed House Bill No. 621 by Representative Stagni

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 26:911(B)(1)(b)" and before the comma "," insert the
3 following:

4 "and Subpart BB of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the Louisiana
5 Revised Statutes of 1950, consisting of R.S. 39:100.231"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 2

7 On page 1, line 8, after "verification;" insert " to provide for the disposition of the tax on
8 vapor products;"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 3

10 On page 2, line 9, after "commissioner" change "certifying" to "affirming"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 4

12 On page 3, at the end of line 24, after "retail dealer," change "or" to "and"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 5

14 On page 4, line 23, after "tobacco" change "controlas" to "control as"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 6

16 On page 5, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

17 "Section 2. Subpart BB of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the
18 Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, consisting of R.S. 39:100.231, is hereby amended and
19 reenacted to read as follows:

20 SUBPART BB. THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES,
21 OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL, AND THE ~~LOUISIANA PUBLIC~~
22 ~~DEFENDER BOARD~~ OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER
23 COMPENSATION FUND

24 100.231. Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of State Fire Marshal, and ~~Louisiana~~
25 ~~Public Defender Board~~ Office of the State Public Defender Compensation
26 Fund

27 A. There is hereby created, as a special fund in the state treasury, the Department of
28 Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of State Fire Marshal, and ~~Louisiana Public Defender Board~~
29 Office of the State Public Defender Compensation Fund, hereafter referred to in this Section
30 as the "fund".

31 B.(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, after compliance with
32 the requirements of Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the
33 Bond Security and Redemption Fund, and after a sufficient amount is allocated from that
34 fund to pay all of the obligations secured by the full faith and credit of the state which
35 become due and payable within any fiscal year, after the first twenty-two million dollars of
36 the avails of the tax levied pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 47:841(F) is deposited into the
37 Louisiana State Police Salary Fund pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 22:831(B)(2), the
38 treasurer shall deposit the next six million dollars of the avails of the tax levied pursuant to
39 the provisions of R.S. 47:841(F) into the fund. Monies in the fund shall be used solely as
40 provided for in Subsection C of this Section.

1 (2) Monies in the fund shall be invested by the treasurer in the same manner as
2 monies in the state general fund, and interest earned on investment of the monies shall be
3 credited to the fund. Unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the
4 fiscal year shall remain in the fund.

5 C. Monies in the fund shall only be withdrawn subject to an appropriation by the
6 legislature and shall be distributed as follows:

7 (1) The first distribution to the office of alcohol and tobacco control shall be six
8 hundred thousand dollars. These funds shall be expended exclusively for the purposes of the
9 enforcement of vapor products and electronic cigarettes.

10 (2) The remaining funds shall be distributed and shared equally among the following
11 governmental units:

12 (a) The funds distributed to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall be used
13 exclusively to cover the cost of salary increases and related benefits for enforcement agents.

14 (b) The funds distributed to the office of the state fire marshal shall be used
15 exclusively to cover the cost of salary increases and related benefits for its employees.

16 (c) The funds distributed to the ~~Louisiana Public Defender Board~~ office of the state
17 public defender shall be used exclusively to cover the cost of salary increases and related
18 benefits for its employees."

19 AMENDMENT NO. 7

20 On page 5, at the beginning of line 12, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

21 AMENDMENT NO. 8

22 On page 5, at the beginning of line 13, change "Section 3." to "Section 4."