shall be a charge on funds appropriated to the Attorney General, which shall be satisfied promptly.

SEC. 8. Effective Date.
This measure shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PROPOSITION 56
This initiative measure is submitted to the people in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Article II of the California Constitution.

This initiative measure adds a section to the California Constitution and amends and adds sections to the Revenue and Taxation Code; therefore, existing provisions proposed to be deleted are printed in strikeout type and new provisions proposed to be added are printed in italic type to indicate that they are new.

PROPOSED LAW

SECTION 1. Findings and Declarations.
(a) Tobacco use is the single most preventable cause of death and disease in California, claiming the lives of more than 40,000 people every year. Each year thousands of Californians require medical and dental treatment as a result of tobacco use.

(b) Healthcare treatment of all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases continues to impose a significant financial burden upon California’s overstressed healthcare system. Tobacco use costs Californians more than $13.29 billion in healthcare expenses every year, of which $3.5 billion is paid for by taxpayers through existing healthcare programs and services that provide healthcare, treatment, and services for Californians. The cost of lost productivity due to tobacco use adds an additional estimated $10.35 billion to the annual economic consequences of smoking and tobacco use in California.

(c) An increase in the tobacco tax is an appropriate way to decrease tobacco use and mitigate the costs of healthcare treatment and improve existing programs providing for quality healthcare and access to healthcare services for families and children. It will save lives and save state and local government money in the future.

(d) An increase in funding for existing healthcare programs and services that treat all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases and conditions will expand the number of healthcare providers that treat patients with such diseases and conditions. Funds spent for this purpose can be used to match federal funds, with the federal government putting up as much as nine dollars for every dollar spent from this fund.

(e) Most electronic cigarettes contain nicotine, which is derived from tobacco and is a highly addictive drug. Electronic cigarettes are currently not subject to any tobacco taxation, making them cheaper and potentially more attractive, especially to young people.

(f) There are more than 470 electronic cigarette brands for sale today offered in over 7,700 flavors including candy-flavors that appeal to youth, such as Captain Crunch, gummy bear, cotton candy, Atomic Fireball, and fruit loops. The fastest growing age range for electronic cigarettes is middle school and high school students and according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, electronic cigarette use among this group tripled from 2013 to 2014.

(g) Research into the causes, early detection, and effective treatment, care, prevention, and potential cures of all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases will ultimately save lives and save state and local government money in the future.

(h) There is an urgent need for research in California for new and effective treatments for all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases. Such research transforms scientific discoveries into clinical applications that reduce the incidence and mortality of such diseases and conditions.

(i) Funding prevention programs designed to discourage individuals, particularly youth, from taking up smoking and the use of other tobacco products through health education and health promotion programs will save lives and save state and local government money in the future.

(j) A reinvigorated tobacco control program will allow targeted public health efforts to combat the tobacco industry’s predatory marketing to ethnic groups, driving down smoking rates and ultimately reducing cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases in these California communities.

(k) Funding implementation and administrative programs to support law enforcement efforts to reduce illegal sales of tobacco products to minors, cigarette smuggling, and tobacco tax evasion will save lives and save state and local government money in the future.

(l) California faces a shortage of physicians and dentists to meet the growing healthcare needs of its residents. As a result, access to primary and oral healthcare, treatment for tobacco-related diseases, regular check-ups and other urgent healthcare needs will suffer. California taxpayers support the education of thousands of medical and dental students every year; yet because of limits on the number of residency programs, many of those physicians and dentists are forced out of state to continue their training, leaving patients in California without access to care. Funding implementation and administrative programs that will help keep hundreds more doctors in California every year to improve the health of Californians will save lives and save state and local government money in the future.

(m) Medical studies have shown that the smoking of cigarettes and use of other tobacco products affects oral health by causing dental disease, including gum disease and bone loss, cancers of the mouth and throat, and severe tooth wear. Smoking causes half of the cases of gum disease, which results in increased tooth loss. Oral cancer risk for smokers is at least six times higher than for nonsmokers and 75% of all oral cancer in the United States is related to tobacco use. Oral cancer risk for smokeless tobacco increases 50-fold over nonsmokers. There is an association between maternal smoking during pregnancy and cleft lip development in fetuses. Tobacco cessation reduces the risk of mouth and throat cancer by 50%. Funding programs that educate, prevent and treat dental diseases, including those caused by use of tobacco, will improve the lives of Californians and save state and local government money in the future.

(n) Increasing the cost of cigarettes and tobacco products is widely recognized as the most effective way to reduce smoking across California, especially by young people. The
2000 U.S. Surgeon General’s Report, Reducing Tobacco Use, found that raising tobacco-product prices decreases the prevalence of tobacco use, particularly among kids and young adults, and that tobacco tax increases produce “substantial long-term improvements in health.” From its review of existing research, the report concluded that raising tobacco taxes is one of the most effective tobacco prevention and control strategies. Reducing smoking saves lives and saves state and local government money in the future.

(o) Because increasing the tobacco tax will reduce smoking and the use of other tobacco products, it is important to protect existing tobacco tax funded programs from a decline in tax revenues.

(p) California currently taxes cigarettes at only $0.87 per pack, and ranks 35th in tobacco tax rates, reflecting one of the lowest tobacco taxes in the United States. As of January, 2016, the national average will be $1.60 per pack. Thirty-two states have cigarette tax rates of $1 per pack or higher, and California is well below other western states (Washington: $3.025; Oregon: $1.31; Nevada: $1.80; and Arizona: $2). California last raised its tobacco tax in 1998.

SEC. 2. Statement of Purpose.
The purpose of this act is to increase the tax on tobacco and other tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes, in order to:

(a) Save the lives of Californians and save state and local government money in the future by reducing smoking and tobacco use among all Californians, but particularly youth.

(b) Provide funds to increase funding for existing healthcare programs and services that treat all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases, expand the number of healthcare providers, and maximize federal funding for these programs and services.

(c) Provide funds to support research into the causes of and cures for all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases, and to transform such scientific discoveries into clinical applications to reduce the incidence and mortality of such diseases and conditions.

(d) Provide funds to support prevention programs aimed at discouraging individuals from using cigarettes and other tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes.

(e) Provide funds for implementation and administrative purposes to reduce cigarette smuggling, tobacco tax evasion, and illegal sales of tobacco products to minors, fund medical training for new doctors to treat diseases, including those caused by tobacco use, and fund programs to prevent and treat dental diseases, including those caused by tobacco use.

(f) Protect existing tobacco tax funded programs, which currently save Californians millions of dollars in healthcare costs.

(g) Provide a full accounting of how funds raised are spent to further the purposes of this act without creating new bureaucracies.

SEC. 3. Definition of Tobacco Products.
SEC. 3.1. Section 30121 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
30121. For purposes of this article:

(a) “Cigarettes” has the same meaning as in Section 30003, as it read on January 1, 1988.

(b) “Tobacco products” includes, but is not limited to, all forms of cigars, smoking tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, and any other articles or products made of, or containing at least 50 percent, tobacco a product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, or snuff, but does not include cigarettes. Tobacco products shall also include electronic cigarettes. Tobacco products shall not include any product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for other therapeutic purposes where that product is marketed and sold solely for such approved use. Tobacco products does not include any food products as that term is defined pursuant to Section 6359.

(c) “Electronic cigarettes” means any device or delivery system sold in combination with nicotine which can be used to deliver to a person nicotine in aerosolized or vaporized form, including, but not limited to, an e-cigarette, e-cigar, e-pipe, vape pen, or e-hookah. Electronic cigarettes include any component, part, or accessory of such a device that is used during the operation of the device when sold in combination with any liquid or substance containing nicotine. Electronic cigarettes also include any liquid or substance containing nicotine, whether sold separately or sold in combination with any device that could be used to deliver to a person nicotine in aerosolized or vaporized form. Electronic cigarettes do not include any device not sold in combination with any liquid or substance containing nicotine, or any battery, battery charger, carrying case, or other accessory not used in the operation of the device if sold separately. Electronic cigarettes shall not include any product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for other therapeutic purposes where that product is marketed and sold solely for such approved use. As used in this subdivision, nicotine does not include any food products as that term is defined pursuant to Section 6359.

(d) “Fund” means the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund created by Section 30122.

SEC. 3.2. Section 30131.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
30131.1. The following definitions apply for purposes of this article:

(a) “Cigarettes” has the same meaning as in Section 30003, as it read on January 1, 1997.

(b) “Tobacco products” includes, but is not limited to, all forms of cigars, smoking tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, and any other articles or products made of, or containing at least 50 percent, tobacco, but does not include cigarettes shall have the same meaning as in subdivision (b) of Section 30121, as amended by the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016.

SEC. 4.1. Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 30130.50) is added to Chapter 2 of Part 13 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

30130.50. Definitions.
For the purposes of this article:

(a) “Cigarette” has the same meaning as that in Section 30003 as it read on January 1, 2015.

(b) “Tobacco products” has the same meaning as that in subdivision (b) of Section 30121, as amended by this act.


(a) In addition to any other taxes imposed upon the distribution of cigarettes under this part, there shall be imposed an additional tax upon every distributor of cigarettes at the rate of one hundred mill (¢) for each cigarette distributed or under its control at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 90 days after the effective date of this act.

(b) The board shall adopt regulations providing for the implementation of an equivalent tax on electronic cigarettes as that term is defined in subdivision (c) of Section 30121, and the methods for collection of the tax. Such regulations shall include imposition of an equivalent tax on any device intended to be used to deliver aerosolized or vaporized nicotine to the person inhaling from the device when sold separately or as a package with such device; and any liquid or substance containing nicotine, whether sold separately or as a package with such device; and any component, part, or accessory of such a device that is used during the operation of the device, whether sold separately or as a package with such device; and any liquid or substance containing nicotine, whether sold separately or as a package with any device that would allow it to be inhaled. Such regulations may include, but are not limited to, defining who is a distributor of electronic cigarettes pursuant to Section 30011 and the licensing requirements of any such person.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, all revenues resulting from the tax imposed by subdivision (a) and all revenues resulting from the equivalent increase in the tax on tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes, imposed by subdivision (b) of Section 30123, shall be deposited into the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund created by Section 30130.53.


(a) (1) In addition to any other tax, every dealer and wholesaler, for the privilege of holding or storing cigarettes for sale, use, or consumption, shall pay a floor stock tax for each cigarette in its possession or under its control in this state at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 90 days after the effective date of this act at the rate of one hundred mill (¢) for each cigarette.

(2) Every dealer and wholesaler shall file a return with the board on or before the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 180 days after the effective date of this act on a form prescribed by the board, showing the number of cigarettes in its possession or under its control in this state at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 90 days after the effective date of this act. The amount of tax shall be computed and shown on the return.

(b) (1) Every licensed cigarette distributor, for the privilege of distributing cigarettes and for holding or storing cigarettes for sale, use, or consumption, shall pay a cigarette indicia adjustment tax for each California cigarette tax stamp that is affixed to any package of cigarettes and for each unaffixed California cigarette tax stamp in its possession or under its control at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 90 days after the effective date of this act at the following rates:

(A) Two dollars and fifty cents ($2.50) for each stamp bearing the designation “25.”

(B) Two dollars ($2) for each stamp bearing the designation “20.”

(C) One dollar ($1) for each stamp bearing the designation “10.”

(2) Every licensed cigarette distributor shall file a return with the board on or before the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing 180 days after the effective date of this act on a form prescribed by the board, showing the number of stamps described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (1). The amount of tax shall be computed and shown on the return.

(c) The taxes required to be paid by this section are due and payable on or before the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing 180 days after the effective date of this act. Payments shall be made by remittances payable to the board and the payments shall accompany the return and forms required to be filed by this section.

(d) Any amount required to be paid by this section that is not timely paid shall bear interest at the rate and by the method established pursuant to Section 30202 from the day after the effective date of this act, until paid, and shall be subject to determination, and redetermination, and any penalties provided with respect to determinations and redeterminations.


(a) The California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund is hereby established in the State Treasury.

(b) All revenues raised pursuant to the taxes imposed by this article, less refunds made pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 30361) of Chapter 6, shall be deposited into the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund.

(c) Notwithstanding any other law, the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund is a trust fund established solely to carry out the purposes of this act and all revenues deposited into the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund, together with interest earned by the fund, are hereby continuously appropriated for the purposes of this act without regard to fiscal year and shall be expended only in accordance with the provisions of this act and its purposes.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law, revenues deposited into the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund, together with interest earned by the fund, shall be expended only for the purposes expressed in this act and shall not be subject to appropriation, reversion, or
transfer by the Legislature, the Governor, the Director of Finance, or the Controller for any purpose other than those specified in this act, nor shall such revenues be loaned to the General Fund or any other fund of the state or any local government fund.


(a) The board shall determine within one year of the effective date of this act, and annually thereafter, the effect that the additional taxes imposed on cigarettes by this article, and the resulting increase in the tax on tobacco products required by subdivision (b) of Section 30123, have on the consumption of cigarettes and tobacco products in this state. To the extent that a decrease in consumption is determined by the board to be a direct result of the additional tax imposed on cigarettes by this article, and the resulting increase in the tax on tobacco products required by subdivision (b) of Section 30123, the board shall determine the fiscal effect the decrease in consumption has on the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund created by Section 30122 (Proposition 99 as approved by the voters at the November 8, 1988, statewide general election), the Breast Cancer Fund created by Section 30461.6, and the California Children and Families Trust Fund created by Section 30131 (Proposition 10 as approved by the voters at the November 3, 1998, statewide general election), and the revenues derived from Section 30101.

(b) The Controller shall transfer from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund to those affected funds described in subdivision (a) the amount necessary to offset the revenue decrease directly resulting from the imposition of additional taxes by this article.

(c) The board shall determine within one year of the effective date of this act, and annually thereafter, the effect, if any, that the additional taxes imposed on cigarettes by this article, and the resulting increase in the tax on tobacco products required by subdivision (b) of Section 30123, have on the consumption of cigarettes and tobacco products in this state, including from the illegal sale of cigarettes and tobacco products. To the extent that there is a loss of state or local government sales and use tax revenues and such loss is determined by the board to be a direct result of the additional tax imposed on cigarettes by this article, and the resulting increase in the tax on tobacco products required by subdivision (b) of Section 30123, including from the illegal sale of cigarettes and tobacco products, the board shall determine the fiscal effect on state and local government sales and use tax revenues.

(d) The Controller shall transfer from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund to the general fund of the state and those affected local governments described in subdivision (c) the amount necessary to offset the state and local sales and use tax revenue decrease directly resulting from the imposition of additional taxes by this article, including from the illegal sale of cigarettes and tobacco products.

(e) Transfers under this section shall be made by the Controller at such times as the Controller determines necessary to further the intent of this section.


After deducting and transferring the necessary funds pursuant to Section 30130.54 and subdivisions (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) of Section 30130.57, the Controller shall annually allocate and transfer the remaining funds in the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund as follows:

(a) Eighty-two percent shall be transferred to the Healthcare Treatment Fund, which is hereby created, and shall be used by the State Department of Health Care Services to increase funding for the existing healthcare programs and services described in Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 140000) to Chapter 8.9 (commencing with Section 147000), inclusive, of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, including those that provide healthcare, treatment, and services for Californians with tobacco-related diseases and conditions, by providing improved payments, for all healthcare, treatment, and services described in Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 140000) to Chapter 8.9 (commencing with Section 147000), inclusive, of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. To the extent possible given the limits of funding under this article, payments and support for the nonfederal share of payments for healthcare, services, and treatment shall be increased based on criteria developed and periodically updated as part of the annual state budget process, provided that these funds shall not be used to supplant existing state general funds for these same purposes. These criteria shall include, but not be limited to, ensuring timely access, limiting specific geographic shortages of services, or ensuring quality care. Consistent with federal law, the funding shall be used to draw down federal funds. The funding shall be used only for care provided by health care professionals, clinics, health facilities that are licensed pursuant to Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, and to health plans contracting with the State Department of Health Care Services to provide health benefits pursuant to this section. The funding can be used for the nonfederal share of payments from governmental entities where applicable. The department shall, if required, seek any necessary federal approval for the implementation of this section.

(b) Eighty-five percent to the State Department of Public Health Tobacco Control Program to be used for the tobacco control programs described beginning at Section 104375 of the Health and Safety Code. The State Department of Public Health shall award funds to state and local governmental agencies, tribes, universities and colleges, community-based organizations, and other qualified agencies for the implementation, evaluation and dissemination of evidence-based health promotion and health communication activities in order to monitor, evaluate, and reduce tobacco and nicotine use, tobacco-related disease rates, and tobacco-related health disparities, and develop a stronger evidence base of effective prevention programming with not less than 15 percent of health promotion, health communication activities, and evaluation and tobacco use surveillance
funds being awarded to accelerate and monitor the rate of decline in tobacco-related disparities with the goal of eliminating tobacco-related disparities.

(2) Fifteen percent to the State Department of Education to be used for school programs to prevent and reduce the use of tobacco and nicotine products by young people as described in Section 104420 of the Health and Safety Code with not less than 15 percent of these funds being awarded to accelerate and monitor the rate of decline in tobacco-related disparities for the purpose of eliminating tobacco-related disparities.

(c) Five percent to the University of California for medical research of cancer, heart and lung tobacco-related diseases pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 104500) of Chapter 1 of Part 3 of Division 103 of the Health and Safety Code to supplement the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Medical Research Program, provided that these funds be used under the following conditions:

(1) The funds shall be used for grants and contracts for basic, applied, and translational medical research in California into the prevention of, early detection of, treatments for, complementary treatments for, and potential cures for all types of cancer, cardiovascular and lung disease, oral disease, and tobacco-related diseases. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the University of California, through the Tobacco Related Disease Research Program, shall have authority to expend funds received under this act for the purposes set forth in this subdivision.

(2) Any grants and contracts awarded shall be awarded using existing medical research program infrastructure and on the basis of scientific merit as determined by an open, competitive peer review process that assures objectivity, consistency, and high quality.

(3) Individuals or entities that receive the grants and contracts pursuant to this subdivision must reside or be located entirely within California.

(4) The research must be performed entirely within California.

(5) The funds shall not be used to supplant existing state or local funds for these same purposes.

30130.56. Independent Audit and Disclosure.

To provide full public accountability concerning the uses to which funds from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 are put, and to ensure full compliance with the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016:

(a) The nonpartisan California State Auditor shall conduct at least biennially an independent financial audit of the state and local agencies receiving funds pursuant to the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016. An audit conducted pursuant to this section shall include, but not be limited to, a review of the administrative costs expended by the state agencies that administer the fund.

(b) Based on the independent audit, the nonpartisan California State Auditor shall prepare a report detailing its review and include any recommendations for improvements. The report shall be made available to the public.

(c) Each state agency and department receiving funds pursuant to this act shall, on an annual basis, publish on its respective Internet Web site an accounting of how much money was received from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund and how that money was spent. The annual accounting shall also be posted on any social media outlets the state agency or department deems appropriate.

(d) The use of the funds received by the State Department of Health Care Services pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 30130.55 shall be subject to the same restrictions, including, but not limited to, audits and prevention of fraud, imposed by existing law.

(e) The use of the funds received by the State Department of Public Health, the State Department of Education, and the University of California pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 30130.55 shall be subject to oversight by the Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee pursuant to Sections 104365 and 104370 of the Health and Safety Code.

30130.57. Implementation and Administrative Costs.

(a) Moneys from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund shall be used to reimburse the board for expenses incurred in the administration, calculation, and collection of the tax imposed by this article and for expenses incurred in the calculation and distribution of funds and in the promulgation of regulations as required by this act, provided, however, that after deducting the necessary funds pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 30130.54, not more than 5 percent annually of the funds remaining in the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund shall be used for such administrative costs.

(b) Moneys from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund shall be used to reimburse the independent nonpartisan California State Auditor up to four hundred thousand dollars ($400,000) annually for actual costs incurred to conduct each of the audits required by Section 30130.56 for the purpose of providing public transparency and ensuring that the revenues generated by this article are used for healthcare, tobacco use prevention and research.

(c) Moneys from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 Fund in the amount of forty million dollars ($40,000,000) annually shall be used to provide funding to the University of California for the purpose and goal of increasing the number of primary care and emergency physicians trained in California. This goal shall be achieved by providing this funding to the University of California to sustain, retain, and expand graduate medical education programs to achieve the goal of increasing the number of primary care and emergency physicians in the State of California based on demonstrated workforce needs and priorities.

(1) For the purposes of this subdivision, “primary care” means internal medicine, family medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, and pediatrics.

(2) Funding shall be prioritized for direct graduate medical education costs for programs serving medically underserved areas and populations.

(3) For the purposes of this subdivision, all allopathic and osteopathic residency programs accredited by federally recognized accrediting organizations and located in California shall be eligible to apply to receive funding to support resident education in California.

(4) The University of California shall annually review physician shortages by specialty across the state and by
Six million dollars ($6,000,000) annually to the Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement (STAKE) Act, pursuant to Section 22952 of the Business and Professions Code.

(4) Six million dollars ($6,000,000) annually to the California Attorney General to be used for activities, including, but not limited to, enforcing laws that regulate the distribution and sale of cigarettes and other tobacco products, such as laws that prohibit cigarette smuggling, counterfeiting, selling untaxed tobacco, selling tobacco without a proper license and selling tobacco to minors, and enforcing tobacco-related laws, court judgments, and settlements.

(f) Not more than 5 percent of the funds received pursuant to this article shall be used by any state or local agency or department receiving such funds for administrative costs.

(g) The California State Auditor shall promulgate regulations pursuant to the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code) to define administrative costs for purposes of this article. Such regulations shall take into account the differing nature of the agencies or departments receiving funds.

(h) The board shall determine beginning two years following the effective date of this act, and annually thereafter, any reduction in revenues, following the first year after the effective date of this act, resulting from a reduction in the consumption of cigarettes and tobacco products due to the additional taxes imposed on cigarettes by this article, and the increase in the tax on tobacco products required by subdivision (b) of Section 30123. If the board determines there has been a reduction in revenues, the amount of funds allocated pursuant to subdivisions (c), (d) and (e) shall be reduced proportionately.

30130.58. Statutory References.

Unless otherwise stated, all references in this act refer to statutes as they existed on January 1, 2016.


SEC. 5.1. Section 30014 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

30014. (a) “Transporter” means any person transporting into or within this state any of the following:

(1) Cigarettes not contained in packages to which are affixed California cigarette tax stamps or meter impressions.

(2) Tobacco products upon which the tobacco products surtax imposed by Article 2 (commencing with Section 30121), Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 30130.50), and Article 3 (commencing with Section 30131) of Chapter 2 has not been paid.

(b) “Transporter” shall not include any of the following:

(1) A licensed distributor.

(2) A common carrier.

(3) A person transporting cigarettes and tobacco products under federal internal revenue bond or customs control that are non-taxpaid under Chapter 52 of the Internal Revenue Act of 1954 as amended.

SEC. 5.2. Section 30104 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
30104. The taxes imposed by this part shall not apply to the sale of cigarettes or tobacco products by a distributor to a common carrier engaged in interstate or foreign passenger service or to a person authorized to sell cigarettes or tobacco products on the facilities of the carrier. Whenever cigarettes or tobacco products are sold by distributors to common carriers engaged in interstate or foreign passenger service for use or sale on facilities of the carriers, or to persons authorized to sell cigarettes or tobacco products on those facilities, the tax imposed by Sections 30101, 30121, and 30131.2 under this part shall not be levied with respect to the sale of the cigarettes or tobacco products by the distributors, but a tax is hereby levied upon the carriers or upon the persons authorized to sell cigarettes or tobacco products on the facilities of the carriers, as the case may be, for the privilege of making sales in California at the same rate as set forth in Sections 30101, 30123, and 30131.2. under this part. Those common carriers and authorized persons shall pay the tax imposed by this section and file reports with the board, as provided in Section 30186.

SEC. 5.3. Section 30108 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

30108. (a) Every distributor engaged in business in this state and selling or accepting orders for cigarettes or tobacco products with respect to the sale of which the tax imposed by Sections 30101, 30123, and 30131.2 under this part is inapplicable shall, at the time of making the sale or accepting the order or, if the purchaser is not then obligated to pay the tax with respect to his or her distribution of the cigarettes or tobacco products, at the time the purchaser becomes so obligated, collect the tax from the purchaser, if the purchaser is other than a licensed distributor, and shall give to the purchaser a receipt therefor in the manner and form prescribed by the board. (b) Every person engaged in business in this state and making gifts of untaxed cigarettes or tobacco products as samples with respect to which the tax imposed by Sections 30101, 30123, and 30131.2 under this part is inapplicable shall, at the time of making the gift or, if the donee is not then obligated to pay the tax with respect to his or her distribution of the cigarettes or tobacco products, at the time he or she becomes so obligated, collect the tax from the donee, if the donee is other than a licensed distributor, and shall give the donee a receipt therefor in the manner and form prescribed by the board. This section shall not apply to those distributions of cigarettes or tobacco products which that are exempt from tax under Section 30105.5.

(c) “Engaged in business in the state” means and includes any of the following:

(1) Maintaining, occupying, or using, permanently or temporarily, directly or indirectly, or through a subsidiary, or agent, by whatever name called, an office, place of distribution, sales or sample room or place, warehouse or storage place, or other place of business.

(2) Having any representative, agent, salesperson, canvasser or solicitor operating in this state under the authority of the distributor or its subsidiary for the purpose of selling, delivering, or the taking of orders for cigarettes or tobacco products.

(d) The taxes required to be collected by this section constitute debts owed by the distributor, or other person required to collect the taxes, to the state.

SEC. 5.4. Section 30166 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

30166. Stamps and meter register settings shall be sold to licensed distributors at their denominated values less a discount of 0.85 percent, which shall be capped at the first one dollar ($1.00) in denominated value to licensed distributors. Payment for stamps or meter register settings shall be made at the time of purchase, provided that a licensed distributor, subject to the conditions and provisions of this article, may be permitted to defer payments therefor.

SEC. 5.5. Section 30181 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

30181. (a) When if any tax imposed upon cigarettes under Article 1 (commencing with Section 30101), Article 2 (commencing with Section 30121), and Article 3 (commencing with Section 30131) of Chapter 2 of this part is not paid through the use of stamps or meter impressions, the tax shall be due and payable monthly on or before the 25th day of the month following the calendar month in which a distribution of cigarettes occurs, or in the case of a sale of cigarettes on the facilities of a common carrier for which the tax is imposed pursuant to Section 30104, the tax shall be due and payable monthly on or before the 25th day of the month following the calendar month in which a sale of cigarettes on the facilities of the carrier occurs.

(b) Each distributor of tobacco products shall file a return in the form, as prescribed by the board, which that may include, but not be limited to, electronic media respecting the distributions of tobacco products and their wholesale cost during the preceding month, and any other information as the board may require to carry out this part. The return shall be filed with the board on or before the 25th day of the calendar month following the close of the monthly period for which it relates, together with a remittance payable to the board, of the amount of tax, if any, due under Article 2 (commencing with Section 30121) or Article 3 (commencing with Section 30131) of Chapter 2 for that period.

(c) To facilitate the administration of this part, the board may require the filing of the returns for longer than monthly periods.

(d) Returns shall be authenticated in a form or pursuant to methods as may be prescribed by the board.

(e) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2007.

SEC. 6. Conformity with State Constitution.

SEC. 6.1. Section 23 is added to Article XVI of the California Constitution, to read:

"Sec. 23. The tax imposed by the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 and the revenue derived therefrom, including investment interest, shall not be considered General Fund revenues for purposes of Section 8 and its implementing statutes, and shall not be considered “General Fund revenues,” “state revenues,” or “General Fund proceeds of taxes” for purposes of subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 8 and its implementing statutes.

SEC. 6.2. Section 14 is added to Article XIII B of the California Constitution, to read:

"Sec. 14. “Appropriations subject to limitation” of each entity of government shall not include appropriations of revenue from the California Healthcare, Research and
PROPOSED LAW

The Public Safety and Rehabilitation Act of 2016

SECTION 1. Title.

This measure shall be known and may be cited as “The Public Safety and Rehabilitation Act of 2016.”

SEC. 2. Purpose and Intent.

In enacting this act, it is the purpose and intent of the people of the State of California to:
1. Protect and enhance public safety.
2. Save money by reducing wasteful spending on prisons.
3. Prevent federal courts from indiscriminately releasing prisoners.
4. Stop the revolving door of crime by emphasizing rehabilitation, especially for juveniles.
5. Require a judge, not a prosecutor, to decide whether juveniles should be tried in adult court.

SEC. 3. Section 32 is added to Article I of the California Constitution, to read:

SEC. 32. (a) The following provisions are hereby enacted to enhance public safety, improve rehabilitation, and avoid the release of prisoners by federal court order, notwithstanding anything in this article or any other provision of law:

1. Parole Consideration: Any person convicted of a nonviolent felony offense and sentenced to state prison shall be eligible for parole consideration after completing the full term for his or her primary offense.

(A) For purposes of this section only, the full term for the primary offense means the longest term of imprisonment imposed by the court for any offense, excluding the imposition of an enhancement, consecutive sentence, or alternative sentence.

2. Credit Earning: The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall have authority to award credits earned for good behavior and approved rehabilitative or educational achievements.

(b) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall adopt regulations in furtherance of these provisions, and the Secretary of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall certify that these regulations protect and enhance public safety.


SEC. 4.1. Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

602. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 707, any person who is under 18 years of age when he or she violates any law of this state or of the United States or any ordinance of any city or county of this state defining crime other than an ordinance establishing a curfew based solely on age, is within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, which may adjudge such person to be a ward of the court.

(b) Any person who is alleged, when he or she was 14 years of age or older, to have committed one of the following offenses shall be prosecuted under the general law in a court of criminal jurisdiction:

1. Murder, as described in Section 187 of the Penal Code, if one of the circumstances enumerated in subdivision (a) of Section 190.2 of the Penal Code is