

## S 3081

Tobacco Tax Equity Act of 2012

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Taxation

**Introduced:** May 10, 2012

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (May 10, 2012)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/3081>

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 10, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Taxation

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of May 10, 2012)

Tobacco Tax Equity Act of 2012 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to tax pipe tobacco, smokeless tobacco products, and large cigars at the same level as cigarettes. Revises the definition of "tobacco products" to include any other product containing tobacco that is intended or expected to be consumed.

Makes smokeless tobacco products sold in discrete single-use units subject to an excise tax of \$50.33 per thousand.

### Actions Timeline

- **May 10, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
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