

## S 450

Tobacco Tax Equity Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Taxation

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced CR S927-928)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced CR S927-928) (Feb 11, 2015)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 11, 2015
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 11, 2015
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 11, 2015
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 11, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Taxation

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 1129	Related bill	Apr 29, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 1749	Related bill	Apr 13, 2015: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

## **Tobacco Tax Equity Act of 2015**

Amends the Internal Revenue Code, with respect to the excise tax on tobacco products, to tax pipe tobacco, smokeless tobacco products, and large cigars at the same level as cigarettes. Revises the definition of "tobacco products," for purposes of such tax, to include any other product determined to be a tobacco product by the Food and Drug Administration. Makes smokeless tobacco products sold in discrete single-use units subject to an excise tax of \$50.33 per thousand. Provides for an inflation adjustment in calendar years beginning after 2015 to the dollar amounts of tobacco products subject to the excise tax.

### **Actions Timeline**

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