## 111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 1676

# AN ACT

To prevent tobacco smuggling, to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, and for other purposes.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-

2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; FINDINGS; PURPOSES.

2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
3 "Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2009" or
4 "PACT Act".

5 (b) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

6 (1) the sale of illegal cigarettes and smokeless 7 tobacco products significantly reduces Federal, 8 State, and local government revenues, with Internet 9 sales alone accounting for billions of dollars of lost 10 Federal, State, and local tobacco tax revenue each 11 year;

(2) Hezbollah, Hamas, al Qaeda, and other terrorist organizations have profited from trafficking in
illegal cigarettes or counterfeit cigarette tax stamps;

15 (3) terrorist involvement in illicit cigarette traf16 ficking will continue to grow because of the large
17 profits such organizations can earn;

(4) the sale of illegal cigarettes and smokeless
tobacco over the Internet, and through mail, fax, or
phone orders, makes it cheaper and easier for children to obtain tobacco products;

(5) the majority of Internet and other remote
sales of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco are being
made without adequate precautions to protect
against sales to children, without the payment of applicable taxes, and without complying with the nomi-

1	nal registration and reporting requirements in exist-
2	ing Federal law;
3	(6) unfair competition from illegal sales of ciga-
4	rettes and smokeless tobacco is taking billions of dol-
5	lars of sales away from law-abiding retailers
6	throughout the United States;
7	(7) with rising State and local tobacco tax
8	rates, the incentives for the illegal sale of cigarettes
9	and smokeless tobacco have increased;
10	(8) the number of active tobacco investigations
11	being conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
12	Firearms, and Explosives rose to 452 in 2005;
13	(9) the number of Internet vendors in the
14	United States and in foreign countries that sell ciga-
15	rettes and smokeless tobacco to buyers in the United
16	States increased from only about 40 in 2000 to
17	more than 500 in 2005; and
18	(10) the intrastate sale of illegal cigarettes and
19	smokeless to bacco over the Internet has a substan-
20	tial effect on interstate commerce.
21	(c) PURPOSES.—It is the purpose of this Act to—
22	(1) require Internet and other remote sellers of
23	cigarettes and smokeless tobacco to comply with the
24	same laws that apply to law-abiding tobacco retail-
25	ers;

1	(2) create strong disincentives to illegal smug-
2	gling of tobacco products;
3	(3) provide government enforcement officials
4	with more effective enforcement tools to combat to-
5	bacco smuggling;
6	(4) make it more difficult for cigarette and
7	smokeless tobacco traffickers to engage in and profit
8	from their illegal activities;
9	(5) increase collections of Federal, State, and
10	local excise taxes on cigarettes and smokeless to-
11	bacco; and
12	(6) prevent and reduce youth access to inexpen-
13	sive cigarettes and smokeless tobacco through illegal
14	Internet or contraband sales.
15	SEC. 2. COLLECTION OF STATE CIGARETTE AND SMOKE-
16	LESS TOBACCO TAXES.
17	(a) DEFINITIONS.—The Act of October 19, 1949 (15
18	U.S.C. 375 et seq.; commonly referred to as the "Jenkins
19	Act") (referred to in this Act as the "Jenkins Act"), is
20	amended by striking the first section and inserting the fol-
21	lowing:
22	<b>"SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.</b>
23	"As used in this Act, the following definitions apply:

1	"(1) ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The term 'Attor-
2	ney General' means the Attorney General of the
3	United States.
4	"(2) ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The term 'attorney
5	general', with respect to a State, means the attorney
6	general or other chief law enforcement officer of the
7	State.
8	"(3) CIGARETTE.—
9	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this
10	Act, the term 'cigarette' shall—
11	"(i) have the same meaning given that
12	term in section 2341 of title 18, United
13	States Code; and
14	"(ii) include 'roll-your-own tobacco'
15	(as that term is defined in section 5702 of
16	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).
17	"(B) EXCEPTION.—For purposes of this
18	Act, the term 'cigarette' does not include a
19	'cigar', as that term is defined in section 5702
20	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
21	"(4) Common Carrier.—The term 'common
22	carrier' means any person (other than a local mes-
23	senger service or the United States Postal Service)
24	that holds itself out to the general public as a pro-
25	vider for hire of the transportation by water, land,

1	or air of merchandise, whether or not the person ac-
2	tually operates the vessel, vehicle, or aircraft by
3	which the transportation is provided, between a port
4	or place and a port or place in the United States.
5	"(5) CONSUMER.—The term 'consumer' means
6	any person that purchases cigarettes or smokeless
7	tobacco, but does not include any person lawfully op-
8	erating as a manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler,
9	or retailer of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco.
10	"(6) Delivery sale.—The term 'delivery sale'
11	means any sale of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco to
12	a consumer if—
13	"(A) the consumer submits the order for
14	such sale by means of a telephone or other
15	method of voice transmission, the mails, or the
16	Internet or other online service, or the seller is
17	otherwise not in the physical presence of the
18	buyer when the request for purchase or order is
19	made; or
20	"(B) the cigarettes or smokeless tobacco
21	are delivered to the buyer by common carrier,
22	private delivery service, or other method of
23	remote delivery, or the seller is not in the phys-
24	ical presence of the buyer when the buyer ob-

1	tains possession of the cigarettes or smokeless
2	tobacco.
3	"(7) Delivery seller.—The term 'delivery
4	seller' means a person who makes a delivery sale.
5	"(8) INDIAN COUNTRY.—The term 'Indian
6	country' means—
7	"(A) Indian country as defined in section
8	1151 of title 18, United States Code, except
9	that within the State of Alaska that term ap-
10	plies only to the Metlakatla Indian Community,
11	Annette Island Reserve; and
12	"(B) any other land held by the United
13	States in trust or restricted status for one or
14	more Indian tribes.
15	"(9) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term 'Indian tribe',
16	'tribe', or 'tribal' refers to an Indian tribe as defined
17	in section 4(e) of the Indian Self-Determination and
18	Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b(e)) or as
19	listed pursuant to section 104 of the Federally Rec-
20	ognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C.
21	479a–1).
22	"(10) INTERSTATE COMMERCE.—The term
23	'interstate commerce' means commerce between a
24	State and any place outside the State, commerce be-
25	tween a State and any Indian country in the State,

or commerce between points in the same State but
 through any place outside the State or through any
 Indian country.

4 "(11) INTO A STATE, PLACE, OR LOCALITY.—A
5 sale, shipment, or transfer of cigarettes or smokeless
6 tobacco that is made in interstate commerce, as de7 fined herein, shall be deemed to have been made into
8 the State, place, or locality in which such cigarettes
9 or smokeless tobacco are delivered.

"(12) PERSON.—The term 'person' means an
individual, corporation, company, association, firm,
partnership, society, State government, local government, Indian tribal government, governmental organization of such government, or joint stock company.

"(13) STATE.—The term 'State' means each of
the several States of the United States, the District
of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or
any territory or possession of the United States.

19 "(14) SMOKELESS TOBACCO.—The term
20 'smokeless tobacco' means any finely cut, ground,
21 powdered, or leaf tobacco, or other product con22 taining tobacco, that is intended to be placed in the
23 oral or nasal cavity or otherwise consumed without
24 being combusted.

1	"(15) TOBACCO TAX ADMINISTRATOR.—The
2	term 'tobacco tax administrator' means the State,
3	local, or tribal official duly authorized to collect the
4	tobacco tax or administer the tax law of a State, lo-
5	cality, or tribe, respectively.
6	"(16) TRIBAL ENTERPRISE.—The term 'tribal
7	enterprise' means any business enterprise, incor-
8	porated or unincorporated under Federal or tribal
9	law, of an Indian tribe or group of Indian tribe.
10	"(17) USE.—The term 'use', in addition to its
11	ordinary meaning, means the consumption, storage,
12	handling, or disposal of cigarettes or smokeless to-
13	bacco.".
14	(b) Reports to State Tobacco Tax Administra-
15	TORS.—Section 2 of the Jenkins Act (15 U.S.C. 376) is
16	amended—
17	(1) by striking "cigarettes" each place it ap-
18	pears and inserting "cigarettes or smokeless to-
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	bacco'';
20	bacco"; (2) in subsection (a)—
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	(2) in subsection (a)—
21	<ul><li>(2) in subsection (a)—</li><li>(A) in the matter preceding paragraph</li></ul>

1	(ii) by striking "or transfers" and in-
2	serting ", transfers, or ships";
3	(iii) by inserting ", locality, or Indian
4	country of an Indian tribe" after "a
5	State";
6	(iv) by striking "to other than a dis-
7	tributor licensed by or located in such
8	State,"; and
9	(v) by striking "or transfer and ship-
10	ment" and inserting ", transfer, or ship-
11	ment";
12	(B) in paragraph (1)—
13	(i) by striking "with the tobacco tax
14	administrator of the State" and inserting
15	"with the Attorney General and with the
16	tobacco tax administrators of the State
17	and place"; and
18	(ii) by striking "; and" and inserting
19	the following: ", as well as telephone num-
20	bers for each place of business, a principal
21	electronic mail address, any website ad-
22	dresses, and the name, address, and tele-
23	phone number of an agent in the State au-
24	thorized to accept service on behalf of such
25	person;";

(C) in paragraph (2), by striking "and the 1 2 quantity thereof." and inserting "the quantity 3 thereof, and the name, address, and phone 4 number of the person delivering the shipment to 5 the recipient on behalf of the delivery seller, 6 with all invoice or memoranda information re-7 lating to specific customers to be organized by 8 city or town and by zip code; and"; and 9 (D) by adding at the end the following: 10 "(3) with respect to each memorandum or in-11 voice filed with a State under paragraph (2), also 12 file copies of such memorandum or invoice with the 13 tobacco tax administrators and chief law enforce-14 ment officers of the local governments and Indian 15 tribes operating within the borders of the State that 16 apply their own local or tribal taxes on cigarettes or 17 smokeless tobacco."; 18 (3) in subsection (b)— 19 (A) by inserting "Presumptive Evi-20 DENCE.—" after "(b)"; (B) by striking "(1) that" and inserting 21 22 "that"; and (C) by striking ", and (2)" and all that 23 24 follows and inserting a period; and 25 (4) by adding at the end the following:

"(c) USE OF INFORMATION.—A tobacco tax adminis-1 2 trator or chief law enforcement officer who receives a memorandum or invoice under paragraph (2) or (3) of 3 4 subsection (a) shall use such memorandum or invoice sole-5 ly for the purposes of the enforcement of this Act and the collection of any taxes owed on related sales of cigarettes 6 7 and smokeless tobacco, and shall keep confidential any 8 personal information in such memorandum or invoice except as required for such purposes.". 9

10 (c) REQUIREMENTS FOR DELIVERY SALES.—The
11 Jenkins Act is amended by inserting after section 2 the
12 following:

#### 13 "SEC. 2A. DELIVERY SALES.

14 "(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to delivery sales
15 into a specific State and place, each delivery seller shall
16 comply with—

17 "(1) the shipping requirements set forth in sub-18 section (b);

19 "(2) the recordkeeping requirements set forth20 in subsection (c);

"(3) all State, local, tribal, and other laws generally applicable to sales of cigarettes or smokeless
tobacco as if such delivery sales occurred entirely
within the specific State and place, including laws
imposing—

1	"(A) excise taxes;
2	"(B) licensing and tax-stamping require-
3	ments;
4	"(C) restrictions on sales to minors; and
5	"(D) other payment obligations or legal re-
6	quirements relating to the sale, distribution, or
7	delivery of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco; and
8	"(4) the tax collection requirements set forth in
9	subsection (d).
10	"(b) Shipping and Packaging.—
11	"(1) Required statement.—For any ship-
12	ping package containing cigarettes or smokeless to-
13	bacco, the delivery seller shall include on the bill of
14	lading, if any, and on the outside of the shipping
15	package, on the same surface as the delivery ad-
16	dress, a clear and conspicuous statement providing
17	as follows: 'CIGARETTES/SMOKELESS TO-
18	BACCO: FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES THE PAY-
19	MENT OF ALL APPLICABLE EXCISE TAXES,
20	AND COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LI-
21	CENSING AND TAX-STAMPING OBLIGA-
22	TIONS'.
23	"(2) FAILURE TO LABEL.—Any shipping pack-
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age described in paragraph (1) that is not labeled in
accordance with that paragraph shall be treated as

1 nondeliverable matter by a common carrier or other 2 delivery service, if the common carrier or other deliv-3 ery service knows or should know the package con-4 tains cigarettes or smokeless tobacco. If a common 5 carrier or other delivery service believes a package is 6 being submitted for delivery in violation of para-7 graph (1), it may require the person submitting the 8 package for delivery to establish that it is not being 9 sent in violation of paragraph (1) before accepting 10 the package for delivery. Nothing in this paragraph 11 shall require the common carrier or other delivery 12 service to open any package to determine its con-13 tents.

"(3) WEIGHT RESTRICTION.—A delivery seller
shall not sell, offer for sale, deliver, or cause to be
delivered in any single sale or single delivery any
cigarettes or smokeless tobacco weighing more than
10 pounds.

19 "(4) AGE VERIFICATION.—

20 "(A) IN GENERAL.—A delivery seller who
21 mails or ships tobacco products—

22 "(i) shall not sell, deliver, or cause to
23 be delivered any tobacco products to a per24 son under the minimum age required for
25 the legal sale or purchase of tobacco prod-

1	ucts, as determined by the applicable law
2	at the place of delivery;
3	"(ii) shall use a method of mailing or
4	shipping that requires—
5	"(I) the purchaser placing the
6	delivery sale order, or an adult who is
7	at least the minimum age required for
8	the legal sale or purchase of tobacco
9	products, as determined by the appli-
10	cable law at the place of delivery, to
11	sign to accept delivery of the shipping
12	container at the delivery address; and
13	"(II) the person who signs to ac-
14	cept delivery of the shipping container
15	to provide proof, in the form of a
16	valid, government-issued identification
17	bearing a photograph of the indi-
18	vidual, that the person is at least the
19	minimum age required for the legal
20	sale or purchase of tobacco products,
21	as determined by the applicable law at
22	the place of delivery; and
23	"(iii) shall not accept a delivery sale
24	order from a person without—

1	"(I) obtaining the full name,
2	birth date, and residential address of
3	that person; and
4	"(II) verifying the information
5	provided in subclause (I), through the
6	use of a commercially available data-
7	base or aggregate of databases, con-

sisting primarily of data from govern-8 9 ment sources, that are regularly used by government and businesses for the 10 11 of age and identity purpose verification and authentication, to en-12 13 sure that the purchaser is at least the 14 minimum age required for the legal 15 sale or purchase of tobacco products, as determined by the applicable law at 16

18 "(B) LIMITATION.—No database being
19 used for age and identity verification under
20 subparagraph (A)(iii) shall be in the possession
21 or under the control of the delivery seller, or be
22 subject to any changes or supplementation by
23 the delivery seller.

the place of delivery.

24 "(c) RECORDS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Each delivery seller shall
keep a record of any delivery sale, including all of
the information described in section 2(a)(2), organized by the State, and within such State, by the
city or town and by zip code, into which such delivery sale is so made.

7 "(2) RECORD RETENTION.—Records of a deliv8 ery sale shall be kept as described in paragraph (1)
9 in the year in which the delivery sale is made and
10 for the next 4 years.

11 "(3) ACCESS FOR OFFICIALS.—Records kept 12 under paragraph (1) shall be made available to to-13 bacco tax administrators of the States, to local gov-14 ernments and Indian tribes that apply their own 15 local or tribal taxes on cigarettes or smokeless to-16 bacco, to the attorneys general of the States, to the 17 chief law enforcement officers of such local govern-18 ments and Indian tribes, and to the Attorney Gen-19 eral in order to ensure the compliance of persons 20 making delivery sales with the requirements of this 21 Act.

22 "(d) Delivery.—

23 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para24 graph (2), no delivery seller may sell or deliver to
25 any consumer, or tender to any common carrier or

1	other delivery service, any cigarettes or smokeless to-
2	bacco pursuant to a delivery sale unless, in advance
3	of the sale, delivery, or tender—
4	"(A) any cigarette or smokeless tobacco ex-
5	cise tax that is imposed by the State in which
6	the cigarettes or smokeless tobacco are to be
7	delivered has been paid to the State;
8	"(B) any cigarette or smokeless tobacco
9	excise tax that is imposed by the local govern-
10	ment of the place in which the cigarettes or
11	smokeless tobacco are to be delivered has been
12	paid to the local government; and
13	"(C) any required stamps or other indicia
14	that such excise tax has been paid are properly
15	affixed or applied to the cigarettes or smokeless
16	tobacco.
17	"(2) EXCEPTION.—Paragraph (1) does not
18	apply to a delivery sale of smokeless tobacco if the
19	law of the State or local government of the place
20	where the smokeless tobacco is to be delivered re-
21	quires or otherwise provides that delivery sellers col-
22	lect the excise tax from the consumer and remit the
23	excise tax to the State or local government, and the
24	delivery seller complies with the requirement.

"(e) LIST OF UNREGISTERED OR NONCOMPLIANT
 Delivery Sellers.—

3 "(1) IN GENERAL.—

"(A) INITIAL LIST.—Not later than 90 4 5 days after this subsection goes into effect under 6 the Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 7 2009, the Attorney General shall compile a list 8 of delivery sellers of cigarettes or smokeless to-9 bacco that have not registered with the Attor-10 ney General pursuant to section 2(a), or that 11 are otherwise not in compliance with this Act, 12 and—

- 13 "(i) distribute the list to—
- 14 "(I) the attorney general and tax
- 15 administrator of every State;

16 "(II) common carriers and other
17 persons that deliver small packages to
18 consumers in interstate commerce, in19 cluding the United States Postal Serv20 ice; and

21 "(III) any other persons who the
22 Attorney General believes can promote
23 the effective enforcement of this Act;
24 and

1	"(ii) publicize and make the list avail-
2	able to any other person engaged in the
3	business of interstate deliveries or who de-
4	livers cigarettes or smokeless tobacco in or
5	into any State.
6	"(B) LIST CONTENTS.—To the extent
7	known, the Attorney General shall include, for
8	each delivery seller on the list described in sub-
9	paragraph (A)—
10	"(i) all names the delivery seller uses
11	or has used in the transaction of its busi-
12	ness or on packages delivered to cus-
13	tomers;
14	"(ii) all addresses from which the de-
15	livery seller does or has done business, or
16	ships or has shipped cigarettes or smoke-
17	less tobacco;
18	"(iii) the website addresses, primary
19	e-mail address, and phone number of the
20	delivery seller; and
21	"(iv) any other information that the
22	Attorney General determines would facili-
23	tate compliance with this subsection by re-
24	cipients of the list.

"(C) UPDATING.—The Attorney General shall update and distribute the list at least once every 4 months, and may distribute the list and any updates by regular mail, electronic mail, or any other reasonable means, or by providing recipients with access to the list through a nonpublic website that the Attorney General regularly updates.

9 "(D) STATE, LOCAL, OR TRIBAL ADDI-10 TIONS.—The Attorney General shall include in 11 the list under subparagraph (A) any noncom-12 plying delivery sellers identified by any State, 13 local, or tribal government under paragraph 14 (5), and shall distribute the list to the attorney 15 general or chief law enforcement official and 16 the tax administrator of any government sub-17 mitting any such information, and to any com-18 mon carriers or other persons who deliver small 19 packages to consumers identified by any gov-20 ernment pursuant to paragraph (5).

21 "(E) ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS OF
22 LIST OF NONCOMPLYING DELIVERY SELLERS.—
23 In preparing and revising the list required by
24 subparagraph (A), the Attorney General shall—

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1	"(i) use reasonable procedures to en-
2	sure maximum possible accuracy and com-
3	pleteness of the records and information
4	relied on for the purpose of determining
5	that such delivery seller is noncomplying;
6	"(ii) not later than 14 days prior to
7	including any delivery seller on such list,
8	make a reasonable attempt to send notice
9	to the delivery seller by letter, electronic
10	mail, or other means that the delivery sell-
11	er is being placed on such list, with that
12	notice citing the relevant provisions of this
13	Act and the specific reasons for being
14	placed on such list;
15	"(iii) provide an opportunity to such
16	delivery seller to challenge placement on
17	such list;
18	"(iv) investigate each such challenge
19	by contacting the relevant Federal, State,
20	tribal, and local law enforcement officials,
21	and provide the specific findings and re-
22	sults of such investigation to such delivery
23	seller not later than 30 days after the chal-
24	lenge is made; and

"(v) upon finding that any placement
is inaccurate, incomplete, or cannot be
verified, promptly delete such delivery sell-
er from the list as appropriate and notify
each appropriate Federal, State, tribal,
and local authority of such finding.
"(F) Confidentiality.—The list distrib-
uted pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall be
confidential, and any person receiving the list
shall maintain the confidentiality of the list but
may deliver the list, for enforcement purposes,
to any government official or to any common
carrier or other person that delivers tobacco
products or small packages to consumers. Noth-
ing in this section shall prohibit a common car-
rier, the United States Postal Service, or any
other person receiving the list from discussing
with a listed delivery seller the delivery seller's
inclusion on the list and the resulting effects on
any services requested by such listed delivery
seller.
"(2) PROHIBITION ON DELIVERY.—
"(A) IN GENERAL.—Commencing on the
date that is 60 days after the date of the initial
distribution or availability of the list under

1	paragraph (1)(A), no person who receives the
2	list under paragraph (1), and no person who
3	delivers cigarettes or smokeless tobacco to con-
4	sumers, shall knowingly complete, cause to be
5	completed, or complete its portion of a delivery
6	of any package for any person whose name and
7	address are on the list, unless—
8	"(i) the person making the delivery
9	knows or believes in good faith that the
10	item does not include cigarettes or smoke-
11	less tobacco;
12	"(ii) the delivery is made to a person
13	lawfully engaged in the business of manu-
14	facturing, distributing, or selling cigarettes
15	or smokeless tobacco; or
16	"(iii) the package being delivered
17	weighs more than 100 pounds and the per-
18	son making the delivery does not know or
19	have reasonable cause to believe that the
20	package contains cigarettes or smokeless
21	tobacco.
22	"(B) IMPLEMENTATION OF UPDATES.—
23	Commencing on the date that is 30 days after
24	the date of the distribution or availability of
25	any updates or corrections to the list under

1	paragraph (1), all recipients and all common
2	carriers or other persons that deliver cigarettes
3	or smokeless tobacco to consumers shall be sub-
4	ject to subparagraph (A) in regard to such cor-
5	rections or updates.
6	"(C) EXEMPTIONS.—Subparagraphs (A)
7	and (B), subsection (b)(2), and any other re-
8	quirements or restrictions placed directly on
9	common carriers elsewhere in this subsection,
10	shall not apply to a common carrier that is sub-
11	ject to a settlement agreement relating to to-
12	bacco product deliveries to consumers or, if any
13	such settlement agreement to which the com-
14	mon carrier was a party is terminated or other-
15	wise becomes inactive, is administering and en-
16	forcing, on a nationwide basis, policies and
17	practices that are at least as stringent as any
18	such agreement. For the purposes of this sec-
19	tion, 'settlement agreement' shall be defined to
20	include the Assurance of Discontinuance en-
21	tered into by the Attorney General of New York
22	and DHL Holdings USA, Inc. and DHL Ex-
23	press (USA), Inc. on or about July 1, 2005, the
24	Assurance of Discontinuance entered into by
25	the Attorney General of New York and United

1	Parcel Service, Inc. on or about October 21,
2	2005, and the Assurance of Compliance entered
3	into by the Attorney General of New York and
4	Federal Express Corporation and FedEx
5	Ground Package Systems, Inc. on or about
6	February 3, 2006, so long as each is honored
7	nationwide to block illegal deliveries of ciga-
8	rettes or smokeless tobacco to consumers, and
9	also includes any other active agreement be-
10	tween a common carrier and the States that op-
11	erates nationwide to ensure that no deliveries of
12	cigarettes and smokeless to bacco shall be made
13	to consumers for illegally operating Internet or
14	mail-order sellers and that any such deliveries
15	to consumers shall not be made to minors or
16	without payment to the States and localities
17	where the consumers are located of all taxes on
18	the tobacco products.
19	"(3) Shipments from persons on list.—
20	"(A) IN GENERAL.—In the event that a
21	common carrier or other delivery service delays

common carrier or other delivery service delays
or interrupts the delivery of a package it has in
its possession because it determines or has reason to believe that the person ordering the delivery is on a list distributed under paragraph

1	(1), and that clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of para-
2	graph (2)(a) do not apply—
3	"(i) the person ordering the delivery
4	shall be obligated to pay—
5	"(I) the common carrier or other
6	delivery service as if the delivery of
7	the package had been timely com-
8	pleted; and
9	"(II) if the package is not deliv-
10	erable, any reasonable additional fee
11	or charge levied by the common car-
12	rier or other delivery service to cover
13	its extra costs and inconvenience and
14	to serve as a disincentive against such
15	noncomplying delivery orders; and
16	"(ii) if the package is determined not
17	to be deliverable, the common carrier or
18	other delivery service shall offer to provide
19	the package and its contents to a Federal,
20	State, or local law enforcement agency.
21	"(B) Records.—A common carrier or
22	other delivery service shall maintain, for a pe-
23	riod of 5 years, any records kept in the ordi-
24	nary course of business relating to any deliv-
25	eries interrupted pursuant to this paragraph

and provide that information, upon request, to the Attorney General or to the attorney general or chief law enforcement official or tax administrator of any State, local, or tribal government. "(C) CONFIDENTIALITY.—Any person receiving records under subparagraph (B) shall use such records solely for the purposes of the enforcement of this Act and the collection of any taxes owed on related sales of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco, and shall keep confidential any personal information in such records not otherwise required for such purposes.

### 13 "(4) PREEMPTION.—

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"(A) IN GENERAL.—No State, local, or 14 15 tribal government, nor any political authority of 2 or more State, local, or tribal governments, 16 17 may enact or enforce any law or regulation re-18 lating to delivery sales that restricts deliveries 19 of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco to consumers 20 by common carriers or other delivery services 21 on behalf of delivery sellers by-

22 "(i) requiring that the common carrier
23 or other delivery service verify the age or
24 identity of the consumer accepting the de25 livery by requiring the person who signs to

1	accept delivery of the shipping container to
2	provide proof, in the form of a valid, gov-
3	ernment-issued identification bearing a
4	photograph of the individual, that such
5	person is at least the minimum age re-
6	quired for the legal sale or purchase of to-
7	bacco products, as determined by either
8	State or local law at the place of delivery;
9	"(ii) requiring that the common car-
10	rier or other delivery service obtain a sig-
11	nature from the consumer accepting the
12	delivery;
13	"(iii) requiring that the common car-
14	rier or other delivery service verify that all
15	applicable taxes have been paid;
16	"(iv) requiring that packages delivered
17	by the common carrier or other delivery
18	service contain any particular labels, no-
19	tice, or markings; or
20	"(v) prohibiting common carriers or
21	other delivery services from making deliv-
22	eries on the basis of whether the delivery
23	seller is or is not identified on any list of
24	delivery sellers maintained and distributed

1	by any entity other than the Federal Gov-
2	ernment.
3	"(B) Relationship to other laws.—
4	Except as provided in subparagraph (C), noth-
5	ing in this paragraph shall be construed to nul-
6	lify, expand, restrict, or otherwise amend or
7	modify—
8	"(i) section $14501(c)(1)$ or
9	41713(b)(4) of title 49, United States
10	Code;
11	"(ii) any other restrictions in Federal
12	law on the ability of State, local, or tribal
13	governments to regulate common carriers;
14	or
15	"(iii) any provision of State, local, or
16	tribal law regulating common carriers that
17	is described in section $14501(c)(2)$ or
18	41713(b)(4)(B) of title 49 of the United
19	States Code.
20	"(C) STATE LAWS PROHIBITING DELIVERY
21	SALES.—Nothing in the Prevent All Cigarette
22	Trafficking Act of 2009, the amendments made
23	by that Act, or in any other Federal statute
24	shall be construed to preempt, supersede, or
25	otherwise limit or restrict State laws prohibiting

1	the delivery sale, or the shipment or delivery
2	pursuant to a delivery sale, of cigarettes or
3	other tobacco products to individual consumers
4	or personal residences except that no State may
5	enforce against a common carrier a law prohib-
6	iting the delivery of cigarettes or other tobacco
7	products to individual consumers or personal
8	residences without proof that the common car-
9	rier is not exempt under paragraph $(2)(C)$ of
10	this subsection.
11	"(5) STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL ADDITIONS.—
12	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Any State, local, or
13	tribal government shall provide the Attorney
14	General with—
15	"(i) all known names, addresses,
16	website addresses, and other primary con-
17	tact information of any delivery seller that
18	offers for sale or makes sales of cigarettes
19	or smokeless tobacco in or into the State,
20	locality, or tribal land involved, but has
21	failed to register with or make reports to
22	the respective tax administrator as re-
23	quired by this Act, or that has been found
24	in a legal proceeding to have otherwise
25	failed to comply with this Act; and

"(ii) a list of common carriers and
 other persons who make deliveries of ciga rettes or smokeless tobacco in or into the
 State, locality, or tribal land.

"(B) UPDATES.—Any government pro-5 6 viding a list to the Attorney General under sub-7 paragraph (A) shall also provide updates and corrections every 4 months until such time as 8 9 such government notifies the Attorney General 10 in writing that such government no longer de-11 sires to submit such information to supplement 12 the list maintained and distributed by the At-13 torney General under paragraph (1).

14 "(C) REMOVAL AFTER WITHDRAWAL.— 15 Upon receiving written notice that a govern-16 ment no longer desires to submit information 17 under subparagraph (A), the Attorney General 18 shall remove from the list compiled under para-19 graph (1) any persons that are on the list solely 20 because of such government's prior submissions 21 of its list of noncomplying delivery sellers of 22 cigarettes or smokeless tobacco or its subse-23 quent updates and corrections.

24 "(6) DEADLINE TO INCORPORATE ADDI25 TIONS.—The Attorney General shall—

"(A) include any delivery seller identified 2 and submitted by a State, local, or tribal gov-3 ernment under paragraph (5) in any list or up-4 date that is distributed or made available under paragraph (1) on or after the date that is 30 6 days after the date on which the information is received by the Attorney General; and

"(B) distribute any such list or update to 8 9 any common carrier or other person who makes 10 deliveries of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco 11 that has been identified and submitted by a 12 government pursuant to paragraph (5).

13 "(7) NOTICE TO DELIVERY SELLERS.—Not 14 later than 14 days prior to including any delivery 15 seller on the initial list distributed or made available 16 under paragraph (1), or on any subsequent list or 17 update for the first time, the Attorney General shall 18 make a reasonable attempt to send notice to the de-19 livery seller by letter, electronic mail, or other means 20 that the delivery seller is being placed on such list 21 or update, with that notice citing the relevant provi-22 sions of this Act.

23 "(8) LIMITATIONS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Any common carrier 24 25 or other person making a delivery subject to

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1	this subsection shall not be required or other-
2	wise obligated to—
3	"(i) determine whether any list dis-
4	tributed or made available under para-
5	graph (1) is complete, accurate, or up-to-
6	date;
7	"(ii) determine whether a person or-
8	dering a delivery is in compliance with this
9	Act; or
10	"(iii) open or inspect, pursuant to this
11	Act, any package being delivered to deter-
12	mine its contents.
13	"(B) ALTERNATE NAMES.—Any common
14	carrier or other person making a delivery sub-
15	ject to this subsection shall not be required to
16	make any inquiries or otherwise determine
17	whether a person ordering a delivery is a deliv-
18	ery seller on the list under paragraph $(1)$ who
19	is using a different name or address in order to
20	evade the related delivery restrictions, but shall
21	not knowingly deliver any packages to con-
22	sumers for any such delivery seller who the
23	common carrier or other delivery service knows
24	is a delivery seller who is on the list under
25	paragraph (1) but is using a different name or

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1	address to evade the delivery restrictions of
2	paragraph (2).
3	"(C) Penalties.—Any common carrier or
4	person in the business of delivering packages on
5	behalf of other persons shall not be subject to
6	any penalty under section 14101(a) of title 49,
7	United States Code, or any other provision of
8	law for—
9	"(i) not making any specific delivery,
10	or any deliveries at all, on behalf of any
11	person on the list under paragraph (1);
12	"(ii) refusing, as a matter of regular
13	practice and procedure, to make any deliv-
14	eries, or any deliveries in certain States, of
15	any cigarettes or smokeless tobacco for any
16	person or for any person not in the busi-
17	ness of manufacturing, distributing, or
18	selling cigarettes or smokeless tobacco; or
19	"(iii) delaying or not making a deliv-
20	ery for any person because of reasonable
21	efforts to comply with this Act.
22	"(D) OTHER LIMITS.—Section 2 and sub-
23	sections (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this section
24	shall not be interpreted to impose any respon-

sibilities, requirements, or liability on common
 carriers.

3 "(f) PRESUMPTION.—For purposes of this Act, a de-4 livery sale shall be deemed to have occurred in the State 5 and place where the buyer obtains personal possession of 6 the cigarettes or smokeless tobacco, and a delivery pursu-7 ant to a delivery sale is deemed to have been initiated or 8 ordered by the delivery seller.".

9 (d) PENALTIES.—The Jenkins Act is amended by10 striking section 3 and inserting the following:

#### 11 "SEC. 3. PENALTIES.

12 "(a) CRIMINAL PENALTIES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), whoever knowingly violates any provision
of this Act shall be guilty of a felony and shall be
imprisoned not more than 3 years, fined under title
18, United States Code, or both.

18 "(2) EXCEPTIONS.—

19 "(A) GOVERNMENTS.—Paragraph (1) shall
20 not apply to a State, local, or tribal govern21 ment.

22 "(B) DELIVERY VIOLATIONS.—A common
23 carrier or independent delivery service, or em24 ployee of a common carrier or independent de25 livery service, shall be subject to criminal pen-

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1	alties under paragraph $(1)$ for a violation of
2	section 2A(e) only if the violation is committed
3	knowingly-
4	"(i) as consideration for the receipt
5	of, or as consideration for a promise or
6	agreement to pay, anything of pecuniary
7	value; or
8	"(ii) for the purpose of assisting a de-
9	livery seller to violate, or otherwise evading
10	compliance with, section 2A.
11	"(b) Civil Penalties.—
12	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
13	graph (3), whoever violates any provision of this Act
14	shall be subject to a civil penalty in an amount not
15	to exceed—
16	"(A) in the case of a delivery seller, the
17	greater of—
18	"(i) \$5,000 in the case of the first
19	violation, or \$10,000 for any other viola-
20	tion; or
21	"(ii) for any violation, 2 percent of
22	the gross sales of cigarettes or smokeless
23	tobacco of such person during the 1-year
24	period ending on the date of the violation.

1	"(B) in the case of a common carrier or
2	other delivery service, \$2,500 in the case of a
3	first violation, or \$5,000 for any violation with-
4	in 1 year of a prior violation.
5	"(2) Relation to other penalties.—A civil
6	penalty imposed under paragraph (1) for a violation
7	of this Act shall be imposed in addition to any crimi-
8	nal penalty under subsection (a) and any other dam-
9	ages, equitable relief, or injunctive relief awarded by
10	the court, including the payment of any unpaid taxes
11	to the appropriate Federal, State, local, or tribal
12	governments.
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1	"(ii) for the purpose of assisting a de-
2	livery seller to violate, or otherwise evading
3	compliance with, section 2A.
4	"(B) OTHER LIMITATIONS.—No common
5	carrier or independent delivery service shall be
6	subject to civil penalties under paragraph $(1)$
7	for a violation of section 2A(e) if—
8	"(i) the common carrier or inde-
9	pendent delivery service has implemented
10	and enforces effective policies and practices
11	for complying with that section; or
12	"(ii) the violation consists of an em-
13	ployee of the common carrier or inde-
14	pendent delivery service who physically re-
15	ceives and processes orders, picks up pack-
16	ages, processes packages, or makes deliv-
17	eries, taking actions that are outside the
18	scope of employment of the employee, or
19	that violate the implemented and enforced
20	policies of the common carrier or inde-
21	pendent delivery service described in clause
22	(i).".
23	(e) ENFORCEMENT.—The Jenkins Act is amended by
24	striking section 4 and inserting the following:

24 striking section 4 and inserting the following:

#### 1 "SEC. 4. ENFORCEMENT.

2 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The United States district
3 courts shall have jurisdiction to prevent and restrain viola4 tions of this Act and to provide other appropriate injunc5 tive or equitable relief, including money damages, for such
6 violations.

7 "(b) AUTHORITY OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.—
8 The Attorney General shall administer and enforce the
9 provisions of this Act.

10 "(c) STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL ENFORCEMENT.—
11 "(1) IN GENERAL.—

12 "(A) STANDING.—A State, through its at-13 torney general, or a local government or Indian tribe that levies a tax subject to section 14 15 2A(a)(3), through its chief law enforcement officer, may bring an action in a United States 16 17 district court to prevent and restrain violations 18 of this Act by any person or to obtain any other 19 appropriate relief from any person for violations 20 of this Act, including civil penalties, money 21 damages, and injunctive or other equitable re-22 lief.

23 "(B) SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.—Nothing in
24 this Act shall be deemed to abrogate or con25 stitute a waiver of any sovereign immunity of a
26 State or local government or Indian tribe

against any unconsented lawsuit under this Act, or otherwise to restrict, expand, or modify any sovereign immunity of a State or local government or Indian tribe.

5 "(2) PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—A State, 6 through its attorney general, or a local government 7 or Indian tribe that levies a tax subject to section 8 2A(a)(3), through its chief law enforcement officer, 9 may provide evidence of a violation of this Act by 10 any person not subject to State, local, or tribal gov-11 ernment enforcement actions for violations of this 12 Act to the Attorney General or a United States at-13 torney, who shall take appropriate actions to enforce 14 the provisions of this Act.

15 "(3) Use of penalties collected.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established a 16 17 separate account in the Treasury known as the 18 'PACT Anti-Trafficking Fund'. Notwith-19 standing any other provision of law and subject 20 to subparagraph (B), an amount equal to 50 21 percent of any criminal and civil penalties col-22 lected by the United States Government in en-23 forcing the provisions of this Act shall be trans-24 ferred into the PACT Anti-Trafficking Fund 25 and shall be available to the Attorney General

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1	for purposes of enforcing the provisions of this
2	Act and other laws relating to contraband to-
3	bacco products.
4	"(B) Allocation of funds.—Of the
5	amount available to the Attorney General under
6	subparagraph (A), not less than 50 percent
7	shall be made available only to the agencies and
8	offices within the Department of Justice that
9	were responsible for the enforcement actions in
10	which the penalties concerned were imposed or
11	for any underlying investigations.
12	"(4) Nonexclusivity of remedy.—
13	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The remedies avail-
14	able under this section and section 3 are in ad-
15	dition to any other remedies available under
16	Federal, State, local, tribal, or other law.
17	"(B) STATE COURT PROCEEDINGS.—Noth-
18	ing in this Act shall be construed to expand, re-
19	strict, or otherwise modify any right of an au-
20	thorized State official to proceed in State court,
21	or take other enforcement actions, on the basis
22	of an alleged violation of State or other law.
23	"(C) TRIBAL COURT PROCEEDINGS.—
24	Nothing in this Act shall be construed to ex-

25 pand, restrict, or otherwise modify any right of

an authorized Indian tribal government official to proceed in tribal court, or take other enforcement actions, on the basis of an alleged violation of tribal law.

"(D) LOCAL 5 GOVERNMENT ENFORCE-6 MENT.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed 7 to expand, restrict, or otherwise modify any 8 right of an authorized local government official 9 to proceed in State court, or take other enforce-10 ment actions, on the basis of an alleged viola-11 tion of local or other law.

12 "(d) PERSONS DEALING IN TOBACCO PRODUCTS.— Any person who holds a permit under section 5712 of the 13 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (regarding permitting of 14 15 manufacturers and importers of tobacco products and export warehouse proprietors) may bring an action in an ap-16 propriate United States district court to prevent and re-17 18 strain violations of this Act by any person other than a 19 State, local, or tribal government.

20 "(e) NOTICE.—

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21 "(1) PERSONS DEALING IN TOBACCO PROD22 UCTS.—Any person who commences a civil action
23 under subsection (d) shall inform the Attorney Gen24 eral of the action.

1 "(2) STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL ACTIONS.—It 2 is the sense of Congress that the attorney general of 3 any State, or chief law enforcement officer of any lo-4 cality or tribe, that commences a civil action under 5 this section should inform the Attorney General of 6 the action.

7 "(f) PUBLIC NOTICE.—

8 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall 9 make available to the public, by posting such infor-10 mation on the Internet and by other appropriate 11 means, information regarding all enforcement ac-12 tions brought by the United States, or reported to 13 the Attorney General, under this section, including 14 information regarding the resolution of such actions 15 and how the Attorney General has responded to re-16 ferrals of evidence of violations pursuant to sub-17 section (c)(2).

"(2) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—The Attorney
General shall submit to Congress, one year after the
date of the enactment of the Prevent All Cigarette
Trafficking Act of 2009, at the end of each of the
four succeeding 1-year periods, a report containing
the information described in paragraph (1).".

# 1SEC. 3. TREATMENT OF CIGARETTES AND SMOKELESS TO-2BACCO AS NONMAILABLE MATTER.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 83 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1716D
5 the following:

#### 6 "§ 1716E. Tobacco products as nonmailable

7 "(a) PROHIBITION.—All cigarettes and smokeless to-8 bacco (as those terms are defined in section 1 of the Act 9 of October 19, 1949, commonly referred to as the Jenkins Act) are nonmailable and shall not be deposited in or car-10 ried through the mails. The United States Postal Service 11 shall not accept for delivery or transmit through the mails 12 13 any package that it knows or has reasonable cause to be-14 lieve contains any cigarettes or smokeless tobacco made 15 nonmailable by this subsection. For the purposes of sub-16 section (a) reasonable cause includes—

"(1) a statement on a publicly available website,
or an advertisement, by any person that such person
will mail matter which is nonmailable under this section in return for payment; or

21 "(2) the placement of the person on the list cre22 ated under section 2A(e) of the Jenkins Act.

23 "(b) EXCEPTIONS.—This section shall not apply to24 the following:

"(1) CIGARS.—Cigars (as that term is defined
 in section 5702(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of
 1986).

4 "(2) GEOGRAPHIC EXCEPTION.—Mailings with-5 in the State of Alaska or within the State of Hawaii. 6 "(3) BUSINESS PURPOSES.—Tobacco products 7 mailed only for business purposes between legally 8 operating businesses that have all applicable State 9 and Federal Government licenses or permits and are 10 engaged in tobacco product manufacturing, distribu-11 tion, wholesale, export, import, testing, investigation, 12 or research, or for regulatory purposes between any 13 such businesses and State or Federal Government 14 regulatory agencies, pursuant to a final rule that the 15 Postal Service shall issue, not later than 180 days 16 after the date of the enactment of the Prevent All 17 Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2009, which shall estab-18 lish the standards and requirements that apply to all 19 such mailings, which shall include the following:

"(A) The Postal Service shall verify that
any person submitting an otherwise nonmailable
tobacco product into the mails as authorized by
this paragraph is a business or government
agency permitted to make such mailings pursuant to this section and the related final rule.

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1	"(B) The Postal Service shall ensure that
2	any recipient of an otherwise nonmailable to-
3	bacco product sent through the mails pursuant
4	to this paragraph is a business or government
5	agency that may lawfully receive such product.
6	"(C) The mailings shall be sent through
7	the Postal Service's systems that provide for
8	the tracking and confirmation of the delivery.
9	"(D) The identities of the business or gov-
10	ernment entity submitting the mailing con-
11	taining otherwise nonmailable tobacco products
12	for delivery and the business or government en-
13	tity receiving the mailing shall be clearly set
14	forth on the package and such information shall
15	be kept in Postal Service records and made
16	available to the Postal Service, the Attorney
17	General, and to persons eligible to bring en-
18	forcement actions pursuant to section 3(d) of
19	the Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of
20	2009 for a period of at least three years there-
21	after.
22	"(E) The mailings shall be marked with a
23	Postal Service label or marking that makes it
24	clear to Postal Service employees that it is a
25	permitted mailing of otherwise nonmailable to-

1 bacco products that may be delivered only to a 2 permitted government agency or business and 3 may not be delivered to any residence or indi-4 vidual person. "(F) The mailing shall be delivered only to 5 6 a verified adult employee of the recipient busi-7 ness or government agency, who shall be re-8 quired to sign for the mailing. "(4) CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.—Tobacco products 9 10 mailed by adult individuals for noncommercial pur-11 poses, including the return of a damaged or unac-12 ceptable tobacco product to its manufacturer, pursu-13 ant to a final rule that the Postal Service shall issue, 14 not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-15 ment of the Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 16 2009, which shall establish the standards and re-17 quirements that apply to all such mailings, which 18 shall include the following: 19 "(A) The Postal Service shall verify that 20 any person submitting an otherwise nonmailable 21

tobacco product into the mails as authorized by
this section is the individual identified on the
return address label of the package and is an
adult.

1	"(B) For a mailing to an individual, the
2	Postal Service shall require the person submit-
3	ting the otherwise nonmailable tobacco product
4	into the mails as authorized by this subsection
5	to affirm that the recipient is an adult.
6	"(C) The package shall not weigh more
7	than 10 ounces.
8	"(D) The mailing shall be sent through the
9	Postal Service's systems that provide for the
10	tracking and confirmation of the delivery.
11	"(E) No package shall be delivered or
12	placed in the possession of any individual who
13	is not a verified adult. For a mailing to an indi-
14	vidual, the Postal Service shall deliver the pack-
15	age only to the verified adult recipient at the
16	recipient address or transfer it for delivery to
17	an Air/Army Postal Office (APO) or Fleet
18	Postal Office (FPO) number designated in the
19	recipient address.
20	"(F) No person shall initiate more than
21	ten such mailings in any thirty-day period.
22	"(5) Exception for mailings for consumer
23	TESTING BY MANUFACTURERS.—Subject to para-
24	graph (8), nothing in this Act shall preclude a le-
25	gally operating cigarette manufacturer operating on

1	its own or through its legally authorized agent from
2	using the Postal Service to mail cigarettes to verified
3	adult smokers solely for consumer testing purposes,
4	provided that—
5	"(A) the cigarette manufacturer has a fed-
6	eral permit, in good standing, pursuant to sec-
7	tion 5713 of the Internal Revenue Code of
8	1986;
9	"(B) any package of cigarettes mailed pur-
10	suant to this paragraph shall contain no more
11	than 12 packs of cigarettes (240 cigarettes);
12	"(C) no individual shall receive more than
13	1 package of cigarettes per manufacturer pur-
14	suant to this paragraph in any 30-day period;
15	"(D) all taxes on the cigarettes levied by
16	the State and locality of delivery have been paid
17	to the State and locality prior to delivery, and
18	tax stamps or other tax-payment indicia have
19	been affixed to the cigarettes as required by
20	law;
21	"(E)(i) the recipient has not made any
22	payments of any kind in exchange for receiving
23	the cigarettes;

1	"(ii) the recipient is paid a fee by the man-
2	ufacturer or manufacturer's agent for participa-
3	tion in consumer product tests; and
4	"(iii) the recipient, in connection with the
5	tests, evaluates the cigarettes and provides
6	feedback to the manufacturer or agent;
7	"(F) the mailing is made pursuant to a
8	final rule that the Postal Service shall issue,
9	not later than 180 days after the date of the
10	enactment of the Prevent All Cigarette Traf-
11	ficking Act of 2009, which shall establish stand-
12	ards and requirements that apply to all such
13	mailings, which shall include the following:
14	"(i) The Postal Service shall verify
15	that any person submitting a tobacco prod-
16	uct into the mails pursuant to this para-
17	graph is a manufacturer permitted to
18	make such mailings pursuant to this para-
19	graph, or an agent legally authorized by
20	the manufacturer to submit the tobacco
21	product into the mails on the manufactur-
22	er's behalf.
23	"(ii) The Postal Service shall require
24	the manufacturer submitting the cigarettes
25	into the mails pursuant to this paragraph

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1 to affirm that the manufacturer or its le-2 gally authorized agent has verified that the recipient is an adult established smoker 3 4 who has not made any payment for the 5 cigarettes, has formally stated in writing 6 that he or she wishes to receive such mail-7 ings, and has not withdrawn that agree-8 ment despite being offered the opportunity 9 to do so by the manufacturer or its legally authorized agent at least once in every 3-10 11 month period.

12 "(iii) The Postal Service shall require 13 the manufacturer or its legally authorized 14 agent submitting the cigarettes into the 15 mails pursuant to this paragraph to affirm 16 that the package contains no more than 12 17 packs of cigarettes (240 cigarettes) on 18 which all taxes levied on the cigarettes by 19 the State and locality of delivery have been 20 paid and all related State tax stamps or 21 other tax-payment indicia have been ap-22 plied.

23 "(iv) The mailings shall be sent
24 through the Postal Service's systems that
25 provide for the tracking and confirmation

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1	of the delivery and all related records shall
2	be kept in Postal Service records and made
3	available to persons enforcing this section
4	for a period of at least 3 years thereafter.
5	"(v) The mailing shall be marked with
6	a Postal Service label or marking that
7	makes it clear to Postal Service employees
8	that it is a permitted mailing of otherwise
9	nonmailable tobacco products that may be
10	delivered only to the named recipient after
11	verifying that the recipient is an adult.
12	"(vi) The Postal Service shall deliver
13	the mailing only to the named recipient
14	and only after verifying that the recipient
15	is an adult.
16	"(6) Definition of consumer testing.—
17	For purposes of this Act, the term 'consumer test-
18	ing' means testing limited to formal data collection
19	and analysis for the specific purpose of evaluating
20	the product for quality assurance and benchmarking
21	purposes of cigarette brands or sub-brands among
22	existing adult smokers.
23	"(7) Definition of adult.—For purposes of
24	paragraph (5), the term 'adult' means an individual
25	of at least 21 years of age. For purposes of para-

1	graphs (3) and (4), the term 'adult' means an indi-
2	vidual of at least the minimum age required for the
3	legal sale or purchase of tobacco products as deter-
4	mined by applicable law at the place the individual
5	is located.
6	"(8) LIMITATIONS.—Paragraph (5) shall not—
7	"(A) permit a mailing of cigarettes to an
8	individual located in any State that prohibits
9	the delivery or shipment of cigarettes to individ-
10	uals in the State, or preempt, limit, or other-
11	wise affect any related State laws; or
12	"(B) permit a manufacturer, directly or
13	through a legally authorized agent, to mail ciga-
14	rettes in any calendar years in a cumulative
15	amount greater than one percent of its total
16	cigarette sales in the United States in the pre-
17	vious calendar year.
18	"(9) UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGEN-
19	CIES.—Agencies of the United States Government
20	involved in the consumer testing of tobacco products
21	solely for public health purposes may make mailings
22	pursuant to the same requirements, restrictions, and
23	Postal Service rules and procedures that apply to
24	consumer testing mailings of cigarettes by manufac-
25	turers under paragraph (5), except that no such

agency shall be required to pay the recipients for
 participating in the consumer testing.

3 "(c) SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE.—Any cigarettes or 4 smokeless tobacco made nonmailable by this subsection 5 that are deposited in the mails shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture, pursuant to the procedures set forth in 6 7 chapter 46 of this title. Any tobacco products so seized 8 and forfeited shall either be destroyed or retained by Gov-9 ernment officials for the detection or prosecution of crimes 10 or related investigations and then destroyed.

11 "(d) ADDITIONAL PENALTIES.—In addition to any 12 other fines and penalties imposed by this Act for violations 13 of this section, any person violating this section shall be 14 subject to an additional civil penalty in the amount of 10 15 times the retail value of the nonmailable cigarettes or 16 smokeless tobacco, including all Federal, State, and local 17 taxes.

18 "(e) CRIMINAL PENALTY.—Whoever knowingly de-19 posits for mailing or delivery, or knowingly causes to be 20 delivered by mail, according to the direction thereon, or 21 at any place at which it is directed to be delivered by the 22 person to whom it is addressed, anything that this section 23 declares to be nonmailable matter shall be fined under this 24 title, imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both. "(f) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term
 State' has the meaning given that term in section
 1716(k).

4 "(g) USE OF PENALTIES.—There is established a 5 separate account in the Treasury of the United States, to be known as the 'PACT Postal Service Fund'. Notwith-6 7 standing any other provision of law, an amount equal to 8 50 percent of any criminal and civil fines or monetary pen-9 alties collected by the United States Government in en-10 forcing the provisions of this subsection shall be transferred into the PACT Postal Service Fund and shall be 11 12 available to the Postmaster General for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this subsection. 13

"(h) COORDINATION OF EFFORTS.—In the enforcement of this section, the Postal Service shall cooperate and
coordinate its efforts with related enforcement activities
of any other Federal agency or of any State, local, or tribal government, whenever appropriate.".

19 (b) ACTIONS BY STATE, LOCAL OR TRIBAL GOVERN20 MENTS RELATING TO CERTAIN TOBACCO PRODUCTS.—

(1) A State, through its attorney general, or a
local government or Indian tribe that levies an excise
tax on tobacco products, through its chief law enforcement officer, may in a civil action in a United
States district court obtain appropriate relief with

respect to a violation of section 1716E of title 18,
 United States Code. Appropriate relief includes in junctive and equitable relief and damages equal to
 the amount of unpaid taxes on tobacco products
 mailed in violation of that section to addressees in
 that State.

7 (2) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to
8 abrogate or constitute a waiver of any sovereign im9 munity of a State or local government or Indian
10 tribe against any unconsented lawsuit under para11 graph (1), or otherwise to restrict, expand, or mod12 ify any sovereign immunity of a State or local gov13 ernment or Indian tribe.

14 (3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to 15 prohibit an authorized State official from proceeding 16 in State court on the basis of an alleged violation of 17 any general civil or criminal statute of such State. 18 (4) A State, through its attorney general, or a 19 local government or Indian tribe that levies an excise 20 tax on tobacco products, through its chief law en-21 forcement officer, may provide evidence of a viola-22 tion of paragraph (1) for commercial purposes by

any person not subject to State, local, or tribal government enforcement actions for violations of paragraph (1) to the Attorney General, who shall take

appropriate actions to enforce the provisions of this
 subsection.

(5) The remedies available under this sub-3 section are in addition to any other remedies avail-4 5 able under Federal, State, local, tribal, or other law. 6 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to ex-7 pand, restrict, or otherwise modify any right of an 8 authorized State, local, or tribal government official 9 to proceed in a State, tribal, or other appropriate 10 court, or take other enforcement actions, on the 11 basis of an alleged violation of State, local, tribal, or 12 other law.

(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
at the beginning of chapter 83 of title 18 is amended by
adding after the item relating to section 1716D the following new item:

"1716E. Tobacco products as nonmailable.".

### 17 SEC. 4. COMPLIANCE WITH MODEL STATUTE OR QUALI18 FYING STATUTE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—A Tobacco Product Manufacturer
or importer may not sell in, deliver to, or place for delivery
sale, or cause to be sold in, delivered to, or placed for delivery sale in a State that is a party to the Master Settlement
Agreement, any cigarette manufactured by a Tobacco
Product Manufacturer that is not in full compliance with
the terms of the Model Statute or Qualifying Statute enHR 1676 EH

acted by such State requiring funds to be placed into a
 qualified escrow account under specified conditions, and
 with any regulations promulgated pursuant to such stat ute.

5 (b) JURISDICTION TO PREVENT AND RESTRAIN VIO-6 LATIONS.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The United States district
8 courts shall have jurisdiction to prevent and restrain
9 violations of subsection (a) in accordance with this
10 subsection.

11 (2) INITIATION OF ACTION.—A State, through 12 its attorney general, may bring an action in an ap-13 propriate United States district court to prevent and 14 restrain violations of subsection (a) by any person. 15 (3) ATTORNEY FEES.—In any action under 16 paragraph (2), a State, through its attorney general, 17 shall be entitled to reasonable attorney fees from a 18 person found to have knowingly violated subsection 19 (a).

(4) NONEXCLUSIVITY OF REMEDIES.—The remedy available under paragraph (2) is in addition to
any other remedies available under Federal, State,
or other law. No provision of this Act or any other
Federal law shall be held or construed to prohibit or
preempt the Master Settlement Agreement, the

1 Model Statute (as defined in the Master Settlement 2 Agreement), any legislation amending or complemen-3 tary to the Model Statute in effect as of June 1, 4 2006, or any legislation substantially similar to such 5 existing, amending, or complementary legislation 6 hereinafter enacted. 7 (5) OTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS.—Nothing 8 in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit an 9 authorized State official from proceeding in State 10 court or taking other enforcement actions on the basis of an alleged violation of State or other law. 11 12 (6)AUTHORITY  $\mathbf{OF}$ THE ATTORNEY GEN-13 ERAL.—The Attorney General may bring an action 14 in an appropriate United States district court to 15 prevent and restrain violations of subsection (a) by 16 any person. 17 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section the following defi-18 nitions apply: 19 (1) DELIVERY SALE.—The term "delivery sale" 20 means any sale of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco to 21 a consumer if— 22 (A) the consumer submits the order for 23 such sale by means of a telephone or other 24 method of voice transmission, the mails, or the 25 Internet or other online service, or the seller is

1	otherwise not in the physical presence of the
2	buyer when the request for purchase or order is
3	made; or
4	(B) the cigarettes or smokeless tobacco are
5	delivered to the buyer by common carrier, pri-
6	vate delivery service, or other method of remote
7	delivery, or the seller is not in the physical pres-
8	ence of the buyer when the buyer obtains pos-
9	session of the cigarettes or smokeless tobacco.
10	(2) IMPORTER.—The term "importer" means
11	each of the following:
12	(A) Shipping or consigning.—Any per-
13	son in the United States to whom nontaxpaid
14	tobacco products manufactured in a foreign
15	country, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, or a
16	possession of the United States are shipped or
17	consigned.
18	(B) MANUFACTURING WAREHOUSES.—Any
19	person who removes cigars or cigarettes for sale
20	or consumption in the United States from a
21	customs-bonded manufacturing warehouse.
22	(C) UNLAWFUL IMPORTING.—Any person
23	who smuggles or otherwise unlawfully brings to-
24	bacco products into the United States.

1 (3) MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.—The 2 term "Master Settlement Agreement" means the agreement executed November 23, 1998, between 3 4 the attorneys general of 46 States, the District of 5 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and 4 6 territories of the United States and certain tobacco 7 manufacturers. 8 (4) MODEL STATUTE; QUALIFYING STATUTE. The terms "Model Statute" and "Qualifying Stat-9 10 ute" means a statute as defined in section 11 IX(d)(2)(e) of the Master Settlement Agreement. 12 (5) TOBACCO PRODUCT MANUFACTURER.—The term "Tobacco Product Manufacturer" has the 13 14 meaning given that term in section II(uu) of the 15 Master Settlement Agreement. 16 SEC. 5. INSPECTION BY BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, 17 FIREARMS. AND EXPLOSIVES OF RECORDS 18 OF CERTAIN CIGARETTE AND SMOKELESS 19 **TOBACCO SELLERS; CIVIL PENALTY.** 20 Section 2343(c) of title 18, United States Code, is 21 amended to read as follows: 22 "(c)(1) Any officer of the Bureau of Alcohol, To-23 bacco, Firearms, and Explosives may, during normal busi-24 ness hours, enter the premises of any person described in 25 subsection (a) or (b) for the purposes of inspecting"(A) any records or information required to be
 maintained by such person under the provisions of
 law referred to in this chapter; or

4 "(B) any cigarettes or smokeless tobacco kept
5 or stored by such person at such premises.

6 "(2) The district courts of the United States shall
7 have the authority in a civil action under this subsection
8 to compel inspections authorized by paragraph (1).

9 "(3) Whoever denies access to an officer under para-10 graph (1), or who fails to comply with an order issued 11 under paragraph (2), shall be subject to a civil penalty 12 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.".

## 13 sec. 6. exclusions regarding indian tribes and14Tribal matters.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act or the amendments made by this Act shall be construed to amend, modify, or otherwise affect—

18 (1) any agreements, compacts, or other inter-19 governmental arrangements between any State or 20 local government and any government of an Indian tribe (as that term is defined in section 4(e) of the 21 22 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance 23 Act (25 U.S.C. 450b(e)) relating to the collection of 24 taxes on cigarettes or smokeless tobacco sold in In-25 dian country;

(2) any State laws that authorize or otherwise
 pertain to any such intergovernmental arrangements
 or create special rules or procedures for the collec tion of State, local, or tribal taxes on cigarettes or
 smokeless tobacco sold in Indian country;

6 (3) any limitations under Federal or State law, 7 including Federal common law and treaties, on 8 State, local, and tribal tax and regulatory authority 9 with respect to the sale, use, or distribution of ciga-10 rettes and smokeless tobacco by or to Indian tribes, 11 tribal members, tribal enterprises, or in Indian coun-12 try;

(4) any Federal law, including Federal common
law and treaties, regarding State jurisdiction, or
lack thereof, over any tribe, tribal members, tribal
enterprises, tribal reservations, or other lands held
by the United States in trust for one or more Indian
tribes; and

19 (5) any State or local government authority to
20 bring enforcement actions against persons located in
21 Indian country.

(b) COORDINATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT.—Nothing in this Act or the amendments made by this Act shall
be construed to inhibit or otherwise affect any coordinated
law enforcement effort by 1 or more States or other juris-

dictions, including Indian tribes, through interstate com pact or otherwise, that—

- 3 (1) provides for the administration of tobacco
  4 product laws or laws pertaining to interstate sales or
  5 other sales of tobacco products;
- 6 (2) provides for the seizure of tobacco products
  7 or other property related to a violation of such laws;
  8 or
- 9 (3) establishes cooperative programs for the ad-10 ministration of such laws.

11 (c) TREATMENT OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERN-12 MENTS.—Nothing in this Act or the amendments made 13 by this Act shall be construed to authorize, deputize, or 14 commission States or local governments as instrumental-15 ities of the United States.

16 (d) ENFORCEMENT WITHIN INDIAN COUNTRY.—
17 Nothing in this Act or the amendments made by this Act
18 shall prohibit, limit, or restrict enforcement by the Attor19 ney General of the provisions herein within Indian coun20 try.

(e) AMBIGUITY.—Any ambiguity between the language of this section or its application and any other provision of this Act shall be resolved in favor of this section.

3 (a) REQUIREMENTS.—The Director of the Bureau of
4 Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall—

5 (1) create 6 regional contraband tobacco traf6 ficking teams over a 3-year period in New York
7 City, Washington DC, Detroit, Los Angeles, Seattle,
8 and Miami,

9 (2) create a new Tobacco Intelligence Center to 10 oversee investigations and monitor and coordinate 11 ongoing investigations and to serve as a nerve center 12 for all ongoing tobacco diversion investigations with-13 in the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and 14 Explosives, in the United States and, where applica-15 ble, with law enforcement organizations around the 16 world,

17 (3) establish a covert national warehouse for18 undercover operations, and

(4) create a computer database that will track
and analyze information from retail sellers of tobacco products that sell through the Internet or by
mail order or make other non-face-to-face sales.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
authorized to be appropriated to carry out subsection (a)
\$8,500,000 for each of the 5 fiscal years beginning with
fiscal year 2010.

#### 1 SEC. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
3 (b), this Act shall take effect on the date that is 90 days
4 after the date of enactment of this Act.

5 (b) BATFE AUTHORITY.—Section 5 shall take effect6 on the date of enactment of this Act.

#### 7 SEC. 9. SEVERABILITY.

8 If any provision of this Act, or any amendment made 9 by this Act, or the application thereof to any person or 10 circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of the Act and 11 the application of the Act to any other person or cir-12 cumstance shall not be affected thereby.

# 13 SEC. 10. SENSE OF CONGRESS CONCERNING THE PRECE-14DENTIAL EFFECT OF THIS ACT.

15 It is the sense of Congress that unique harms are 16 associated with online cigarette sales, including problems with verifying the ages of consumers in the digital market 17 18 and the long-term health problems associated with the use 19 of certain tobacco products. This Act was enacted recognizing the longstanding interest of Congress in urging 20 21 compliance with States' laws regulating remote sales of 22 certain tobacco products to citizens of those States, includ-23 ing the passage of the Jenkins Act over 50 years ago, 24 which established reporting requirements for out-of-State 25 companies that sell certain tobacco products to citizens of the taxing States, and which gave authority to the Depart-26 •HR 1676 EH

ment of Justice and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Fire-1 2 arms, and Explosives to enforce the Jenkins Act. In light of the unique harms and circumstances surrounding the 3 4 online sale of certain tobacco products, this Act is in-5 tended to help collect cigarette excise taxes, to stop to-6 bacco sales to underage youth, and to help the States en-7 force their laws that target the online sales of certain tobacco products only. This Act is in no way meant to create 8 9 a precedent regarding the collection of State sales or use taxes by, or the validity of efforts to impose other types 10 of taxes on, out-of-State entities that do not have a phys-11 ical presence within the taxing State. 12

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