



NOTICE

July 1, 2005

EFFECTIVE DATES OF HOUSE BILL 3304

New legislation impacting tobacco product manufacturers of any cigarettes or roll-your-own tobacco sold in South Carolina is now in effect. The new statute, S.C. Code Ann. §§11-48-10 to -110, may be viewed at www.scattorneygeneral.com/tobacco/ along with South Carolina's tobacco escrow statute. This legislation is made up of two parts, the Complementary legislation, and the Allocable Share legislation. The Complementary legislation is effective **immediately**, and the Allocable Share legislation is effective **January 1, 2006**.

This means that any tobacco products sold on or after January 1, 2006, will no longer be eligible for an allocable share release. Accordingly, any tobacco manufacturer selling tobacco products in 2005 will still be eligible for a cap release in April of 2006, if requested.

For more information on House Bill 3304 and other related tobacco matters, please contact us at:

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