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Discounts for Tobacco Wholesale Dealers

Act 474 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature amended R.S. 47:843(B) and (F) and 851(B)(1) and (2)(b) to require the secretary to allow out-of-state wholesale tobacco dealers who have a direct purchasing contract with a manufacturer and who serve a trade area of retail dealers in Louisiana a discount on the purchase of cigarette stamps in quantities of \$100 or more, and a discount for timely and accurately filing reports for the purchase, receipt and sale of unstamped cigarettes and other tobacco products not previously taxed. In both instances, the discount allowed by the secretary cannot be greater than the discount extended to the wholesale tobacco dealer in their state of domicile and, regardless of the discount extended by other states, cannot exceed six percent.

Act 474 is effective for taxable periods beginning on and after September 1, 2007. Also for taxable periods beginning on and after September 1, 2007, registered tobacco dealers in Louisiana who have a direct purchasing contract with a manufacturer will be allowed a six percent discount for timely and accurately filing their reports.

If you have any questions concerning this Act, please contact our Taxpayer Services Division at (225) 219-7656, option 2.

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