

ARTICLE 19

Tobacco Settlement Revenue Oversight Committee

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A. There is created a joint interim legislative committee that shall be known as the "tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee".

B. The tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee shall be composed of six members. Three members of the house of representatives shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and three members of the senate shall be appointed by the committees' committee of the senate or, if the senate appointments are made in the interim, those members shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate after consultation with and agreement of a majority of the members of the committees' committee. Members shall be appointed from each house so as to give the two major political parties in each house the same proportionate representation on the tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee as prevails in each house.

C. The tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee shall:

(1) monitor the use of tobacco settlement revenue and meet on a regular basis to receive and review evaluations of programs receiving funding from tobacco settlement revenues;

(2) prepare recommendations, based on its program evaluation process, of program funding levels for the next fiscal year. The recommendations shall be made available to the New Mexico legislative council and the legislative finance committee on or before December 15 preceding each session; and

(3) make recommendations as necessary for changes in legislation regarding use of the tobacco settlement revenue.

D. The staff for the tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee shall be provided by the legislative council service.

History: Laws 2000 (2nd S.S.), ch. 9, § 4.

6-4-10. Tobacco settlement program fund created; purpose. (2000)

A. The "tobacco settlement program fund" is created in the state treasury and shall consist of distributions made to the fund from the tobacco settlement permanent fund. Income from investment of the tobacco settlement program fund shall be credited to the fund. Beginning in fiscal year 2002, money in the tobacco settlement program fund may be appropriated by the legislature for any of the purposes specified in Subsection B of this section and after receiving the recommendations of the tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee. Balances in the tobacco settlement program fund at the end of any fiscal year shall remain in the fund.

B. Money may be appropriated from the tobacco settlement program fund for health and educational purposes, including:

- (1) support of additional public school programs, including extracurricular and after-school programs designed to involve students in athletic, academic, musical, cultural, civic, mentoring and similar types of activities;
- (2) any health or health care program or service for prevention or treatment of disease or illness;
- (3) basic and applied research conducted by higher educational institutions or state agencies addressing the impact of smoking or other behavior on health and disease;
- (4) public health programs and needs; and
- (5) tobacco use cessation and prevention programs, including statewide public information, education and media campaigns.

History: Laws 1999, ch. 207, § 2; 2000 (2nd S.S.), ch. 9, § 2.

Repeals. — Laws 2009, ch. 3, § 12, effective February 6, 2009, repealed Laws 2008, ch. 50, § 1 relating to tobacco settlement program fund appropriations.

The 2000 amendment, effective April 12, 2000, changed the "tobacco settlement income fund" to be the "tobacco settlement program fund" in the section heading and in the beginning of Subsections A and B; in Subsection A, substituted "distributions" for "appropriations", added the second sentence, inserted "Beginning in fiscal year 2002" and "and after receiving the recommendations of the tobacco settlement revenue oversight committee" in the third sentence and added the fourth sentence; and inserted "statewide" in Subsection B(5).