

Whereas conspicuous consumption is a wasteful way for the wealthiest members of society to display their fortunes;

Whereas a tax on luxury goods will provide a progressive revenue stream for the state that targets those who can most afford to pay;

Whereas a luxury tax will re-direct money to those who need it most, away from those who would spend it on ludicrous frivolities;

Whereas the United States of America has 13 of the 100 top selling luxury goods brands, with an average yearly sales of 3,351 million USD (see [page 37](#) of Deloitte's 2018 Global Powers of Luxury Goods)

Be it enacted by the Assembly of the Atlantic:

Section I. Short Title

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Section II. Definitions:

- a) A "luxury tax" is a tax levied against goods determined to be outrageously expensive
- b) "USD" shall refer to United States Dollars
- c) A "Commercial Motor Vehicle" is a motor vehicle, such as an eighteen-wheeled truck, whose explicit purpose is for commercial activities and not personal transportation.
- d) A "Commercial Watercraft" is an aquatic vehicle, such as an ocean barge, whose explicit purpose is for commercial activities and not luxury transportation.
- e)

Section III. Luxury Tax Rate

- a) A tax of 70% on every dollar past the specified amount shall be levied on eligible goods in accordance with section IV of this bill.
- b) This additional tax does not exempt the sale from paying standard sales tax up to the specified dollar amount where the luxury tax shall take effect.

Section IV. Eligible Sales

- a) All non-commercial motor vehicle past 100,000 USD
- b) All non-commercial watercraft past 250,000 USD
 - i) Any company purchasing a non-commercial watercraft for the purposes of commercial activity shall not be exempted. Although the craft is being

used for a commercial purpose it shall still be taxed according to section IV article b.

- c) All sales of bags past 800 USD.
- d) All clothing and footwear past 500 USD.
- e) All Jewelry and Watches past 300 USD.

Section V. Inflation Clause

- a) All prices in section IV shall be adjusted for inflation as determined by the United States Bureau of Economic Analysis every 5 years, beginning January 1, 2025

This law shall go into effect ninety-one (91) days after signing.

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