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Chair Marquart and Members of the House Tax Committee:

Minnesota's stores have long advocated for a level playing field when it comes to state tax policy. Chair Marquart's HF 3083 contains an important provision relating to excise taxes on tobacco products and premium cigars when purchased from a web retailer.

The provision ensures that taxes levied on Internet sales of tobacco and premium cigar products are treated similar to taxation if the customer purchased the products in a brick-and-mortar store.

We support this change in Minnesota tax policy and urge the Committee to adopt this provision.

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