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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to requiring the Comptroller of the Treasury to conduct an audit and evaluation of expenditure of funds received from settlement of any tobacco industry litigation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Each year the comptroller of the treasury shall audit and evaluate the use of expenditures by the State of any funds received from the settlement of any suit; from an act of Congress; or from the outcome of any litigation based in whole or in part on the state recovering its share of funds from tobacco companies and/or manufacturers and/or trade groups for their liability or alleged liability for health-related injuries to individuals or medicaid or TennCare-related recoveries and/or for reimbursement for medicaid/TennCare funds spent on Tennesseans' smoking-related illnesses or any other such similar recovery/reimbursement. The comptroller shall report the findings of such audit and evaluation to the house health and human resources committee and the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee, or their successors, of the general assembly on or before January 15 of each year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999, the public welfare requiring it.