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§12–103.

- (a) A rebuttable presumption exists that any cigarette or other tobacco product in the State is subject to the tobacco tax.
  - (b) Cigarettes or other tobacco products are contraband tobacco products if they:
- (1) are possessed or sold in the State in a manner that is not authorized under this title or under Title 16 or Title 16.5 of the Business Regulation Article; or
- (2) are transported by vehicle in the State by a person who does not have, in the vehicle, the records required by  $\S 16-219$  or  $\S 16.5-215$  of the Business Regulation Article for the transportation of cigarettes or other tobacco products.
- (c) A person who possesses cigarettes or other tobacco products has the burden of proving that the cigarettes or other tobacco products are not subject to the tobacco tax.

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