

**248.756 Administrative and civil penalties for violation of KRS 248.752 or 248.754  
-- Forfeiture of cigarettes.**

- (1) The cabinet may revoke or suspend the license issued in accordance with KRS 138.195 of any licensee and impose a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed the greater of five hundred percent (500%) of the retail value of the cigarettes involved or five thousand dollars (\$5,000) upon finding a violation by the licensee of KRS 248.752 or 248.754.
- (2) Cigarettes that are acquired, held, owned, possessed, transported in, imported into, or sold or distributed in this Commonwealth in violation of KRS 248.752 or 248.754 shall be treated as contraband under KRS 138.165 and be subject to seizure and forfeiture. Notwithstanding the provisions of KRS 138.165, all cigarettes seized and forfeited shall be destroyed. Cigarettes shall be treated as contraband whether the violation of KRS 248.752 or 248.754 is knowing or otherwise.

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