

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §11-17-20b

§11-17-20b. Vending machines; presence of tax-not-paid tobacco products.

(a) If tax-not-paid tobacco products are found in any vending machine, both the tax-not-paid tobacco products and the vending machine are contraband goods within the meaning of article seven, chapter sixty-a of this code, and may be seized by the commissioner, at the discretion of the commissioner, or the commissioner's authorized deputies, agents or employees, or any law-enforcement officer in this state, without a warrant. The provision of article seven, chapter sixty-a of this code apply to the seizure and disposition of the contraband.

(b) Seizure and sale of the contraband shall not relieve the owner of the property from any action by the commissioner for violations of any other sections of this article.