A History Of Regulatory Taxation

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What is a tax, and what is a regulation or a penalty? Richard Samuelson is Associate Professor of History at California State University, San
History is full of tax rebellions, and today America stands at the cusp of another tax reform that President Trump wants to push through. Back in 1773, taxes sparked Americans to destroy three shiploads of British tea. And in 1791, Alexander Hamilton’s proposed excise tax on alcohol was enough to prompt the Whiskey Rebellion in Pennsylvania. A tobacco or cigarette tax is imposed on all tobacco products by various levels of government to fund healthcare programs.

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