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adj.

1. Legally regulating expenditures considered extravagant.
2. Legally prohibiting or discouraging, as by the imposition of taxes, certain behaviors: *sumptuary laws forbidding gambling*.

[Latin *sūmptuārius*, from *sūmptus*, expense, from past participle of *sūmere*, to take, buy; see **em-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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