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# **SENATE BILL NO. 823**

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 144.030 and 144.087, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to sales tax.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 144.030 and 144.087, RSMo, is repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 144.026, 144.030, and 144.087, to read as follows:

144.026. 1. As used in this section, the term "production exemptions" means the
exemptions from state and local sales and use taxes in subdivisions (5) and (6) of subsection
2 of section 144.030 and the exemptions from state sales and use taxes and local use taxes
in subsections 1 and 2 of section 144.054.

5 2. This section shall apply to all pending audits, assessments, refund claims, and 6 claims for credit not finally adjudicated at the time this section takes effect and all audits, 7 assessments, refund claims, and claims for credit thereafter.

8 3. Production exemptions shall not require that the qualifying production activity
 9 associated with such production exemption constitute an industrial-type activity or occur
 10 in any industrial facility.

4. Production exemptions shall apply to all taxpayers and businesses whose
activities meet the requirements of the production exemptions regardless of whether the
taxpayer's or business's type of business is expressly mentioned in the production
exemptions, chapter 144, or any other section.

5. The terms "manufacturing", "processing", and "producing" as used in the production exemptions shall include, but are not limited to, the following activities when

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 conducted in this state regardless of whether the activity occurs at an industrial facility or

18 a permanent, temporary, or mobile location:

(1) The analysis and organization of large volumes of information through
 computer technology to produce marketable tangible or intangible products or services
 including, but not limited to, financial services, telecommunications services, publishing
 services, or information services; and

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(2) The production of intangible products of telecommunications services.

24 6. The term "product" as used in subdivisions (5) and (6) of subsection 2 of section 25 144.030 shall have the same meaning as "product which is intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption" under subdivision (15) of subsection 1 of section 144.010. 26 27 Services that are subject to state or local sales or use taxes in this state or another 28 jurisdiction, machinery, equipment, and parts used to produce or provide such services qualify for the exemptions under subdivisions (5) and (6) of subsection 2 of section 144.030. 29 30 Such taxable services shall include, but are not limited to, "telecommunications services" 31 as defined under subdivision (14) of subsection 1 of section 144.010, similar or related 32 telephone services, and the organization of information through computer technology if the output of such organization is subject to sales tax in this state or another jurisdiction. 33 34 "Subject to state or local sales or use taxes" means that the service is taxable unless an 35 exemption or exclusion applies. An otherwise taxable service is deemed to be subject to tax 36 within the meaning of this subsection and subdivision (15) of subsection 1 of section 144.010 regardless of whether the purchaser qualifies for an exemption or exclusion from 37 sales and use tax. 38

39 7. For the purposes of the production exemption under section 144.054, the term 40 "product" shall have the same meaning as the same meaning as "product" under 41 subsection 7 of this section except that no such product shall need to be subject to tax in 42 this state or another jurisdiction.

8. In addition to the production of intangible products and services, the production exemptions shall apply to the production of tangible personal property. The term "manufacturing" as used in the production exemptions shall include the alteration or physical change of an object or material in such a way that produces an article of tangible personal property with a use, identity, and value different from the use, identity, and value of the original article of tangible personal property.

49 9. The exemptions granted in this section shall not apply to the local sales tax law
50 as defined in section 32.085.

51 **10.** This section rejects and abrogates the court's interpretation of the production 52 exemptions in IBM Corporation v. Dir. of Revenue, No. SC94999 (Mo. Apr. 5, 2016), and

53 any other decision of the Missouri supreme court or administrative hearing commission,

- and any letter ruling or regulation of the director of revenue, that is inconsistent with this
- 55 section or the production exemptions.

144.030. 1. There is hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525 and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed or payable pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525 such retail sales as may be made in commerce between this state and any other state of the United States, or between this state and any foreign country, and any retail sale which the state of Missouri is prohibited from taxing pursuant to the Constitution or laws of the United States of America, and such retail sales of tangible personal property which the general assembly of the state of Missouri is prohibited from taxing or further taxing by the constitution of this state.

9 2. There are also specifically exempted from the provisions of the local sales tax law as 10 defined in section 32.085, section 238.235, and sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 11 144.761 and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed or payable pursuant to the local 12 sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, section 238.235, and sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 13 144.600 to 144.745:

14 (1) Motor fuel or special fuel subject to an excise tax of this state, unless all or part of 15 such excise tax is refunded pursuant to section 142.824; or upon the sale at retail of fuel to be 16 consumed in manufacturing or creating gas, power, steam, electrical current or in furnishing 17 water to be sold ultimately at retail; or feed for livestock or poultry; or grain to be converted into 18 foodstuffs which are to be sold ultimately in processed form at retail; or seed, limestone or 19 fertilizer which is to be used for seeding, liming or fertilizing crops which when harvested will be sold at retail or will be fed to livestock or poultry to be sold ultimately in processed form at 20 21 retail; economic poisons registered pursuant to the provisions of the Missouri pesticide 22 registration law (sections 281.220 to 281.310) which are to be used in connection with the 23 growth or production of crops, fruit trees or orchards applied before, during, or after planting, the crop of which when harvested will be sold at retail or will be converted into foodstuffs which 24 25 are to be sold ultimately in processed form at retail;

(2) Materials, manufactured goods, machinery and parts which when used in manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, producing or fabricating become a component part or ingredient of the new personal property resulting from such manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, producing or fabricating and which new personal property is intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption; and materials, including without limitation, gases and manufactured goods, including without limitation slagging materials and firebrick, which are ultimately consumed in the manufacturing process by blending, reacting or interacting

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with or by becoming, in whole or in part, component parts or ingredients of steel productsintended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption;

(3) Materials, replacement parts and equipment purchased for use directly upon, and for
 the repair and maintenance or manufacture of, motor vehicles, watercraft, railroad rolling stock
 or aircraft engaged as common carriers of persons or property;

38 (4) Motor vehicles registered in excess of fifty-four thousand pounds, and the trailers 39 pulled by such motor vehicles, that are actually used in the normal course of business to haul 40 property on the public highways of the state, and that are capable of hauling loads commensurate 41 with the motor vehicle's registered weight; and the materials, replacement parts, and equipment 42 purchased for use directly upon, and for the repair and maintenance or manufacture of such 43 vehicles. For purposes of this subdivision, "motor vehicle" and "public highway" shall have the 44 meaning as ascribed in section 390.020;

45 (5) Replacement machinery, equipment, and parts and the materials and supplies solely 46 required for the installation or construction of such replacement machinery, equipment, and parts, used directly in manufacturing, mining, fabricating or producing a product which is 47 48 intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption; and machinery and equipment, and 49 the materials and supplies required solely for the operation, installation or construction of such 50 machinery and equipment, purchased and used to establish new, or to replace or expand existing, 51 material recovery processing plants in this state. For the purposes of this subdivision, a "material 52 recovery processing plant" means a facility that has as its primary purpose the recovery of 53 materials into a usable product or a different form which is used in producing a new product and 54 shall include a facility or equipment which are used exclusively for the collection of recovered materials for delivery to a material recovery processing plant but shall not include motor vehicles 55 56 used on highways. For purposes of this section, the terms motor vehicle and highway shall have the same meaning pursuant to section 301.010. Material recovery is not the reuse of materials 57 58 within a manufacturing process or the use of a product previously recovered. The material recovery processing plant shall qualify under the provisions of this section regardless of 59 60 ownership of the material being recovered;

61 (6) Machinery and equipment, and parts and the materials and supplies solely required 62 for the installation or construction of such machinery and equipment, purchased and used to 63 establish new or to expand existing manufacturing, mining or fabricating plants in the state if 64 such machinery and equipment is used directly in manufacturing, mining or fabricating a product 65 which is intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption;

(7) Tangible personal property which is used exclusively in the manufacturing,
processing, modification or assembling of products sold to the United States government or to
any agency of the United States government;

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(8) Animals or poultry used for breeding or feeding purposes, or captive wildlife;

(9) Newsprint, ink, computers, photosensitive paper and film, toner, printing plates and
 other machinery, equipment, replacement parts and supplies used in producing newspapers
 published for dissemination of news to the general public;

(10) The rentals of films, records or any type of sound or picture transcriptions for public
 commercial display;

(11) Pumping machinery and equipment used to propel products delivered by pipelines
 engaged as common carriers;

(12) Railroad rolling stock for use in transporting persons or property in interstate
commerce and motor vehicles licensed for a gross weight of twenty-four thousand pounds or
more or trailers used by common carriers, as defined in section 390.020, in the transportation of
persons or property;

81 (13) Electrical energy used in the actual primary manufacture, processing, compounding, 82 mining or producing of a product, or electrical energy used in the actual secondary processing or fabricating of the product, or a material recovery processing plant as defined in subdivision 83 84 (5) of this subsection, in facilities owned or leased by the taxpayer, if the total cost of electrical 85 energy so used exceeds ten percent of the total cost of production, either primary or secondary, 86 exclusive of the cost of electrical energy so used or if the raw materials used in such processing 87 contain at least twenty-five percent recovered materials as defined in section 260.200. There 88 shall be a rebuttable presumption that the raw materials used in the primary manufacture of 89 automobiles contain at least twenty-five percent recovered materials. For purposes of this 90 subdivision, "processing" means any mode of treatment, act or series of acts performed upon materials to transform and reduce them to a different state or thing, including treatment necessary 91 92 to maintain or preserve such processing by the producer at the production facility;

93 (14) Anodes which are used or consumed in manufacturing, processing, compounding,94 mining, producing or fabricating and which have a useful life of less than one year;

95 (15) Machinery, equipment, appliances and devices purchased or leased and used solely
96 for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring air pollution, and materials and supplies
97 solely required for the installation, construction or reconstruction of such machinery, equipment,
98 appliances and devices;

99 (16) Machinery, equipment, appliances and devices purchased or leased and used solely
100 for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring water pollution, and materials and supplies
101 solely required for the installation, construction or reconstruction of such machinery, equipment,
102 appliances and devices;

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(17) Tangible personal property purchased by a rural water district;

104 (18) All amounts paid or charged for admission or participation or other fees paid by or 105 other charges to individuals in or for any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, games 106 or athletic events, including museums, fairs, zoos and planetariums, owned or operated by a 107 municipality or other political subdivision where all the proceeds derived therefrom benefit the 108 municipality or other political subdivision and do not inure to any private person, firm, or 109 corporation, provided, however, that a municipality or other political subdivision may enter into 110 revenue-sharing agreements with private persons, firms, or corporations providing goods or 111 services, including management services, in or for the place of amusement, entertainment or 112 recreation, games or athletic events, and provided further that nothing in this subdivision shall 113 exempt from tax any amounts retained by any private person, firm, or corporation under such 114 revenue-sharing agreement;

115 (19) All sales of insulin and prosthetic or orthopedic devices as defined on January 1, 116 1980, by the federal Medicare program pursuant to Title XVIII of the Social Security Act of 117 1965, including the items specified in Section 1862(a)(12) of that act, and also specifically 118 including hearing aids and hearing aid supplies and all sales of drugs which may be legally 119 dispensed by a licensed pharmacist only upon a lawful prescription of a practitioner licensed to 120 administer those items, including samples and materials used to manufacture samples which may 121 be dispensed by a practitioner authorized to dispense such samples and all sales or rental of 122 medical oxygen, home respiratory equipment and accessories, hospital beds and accessories and 123 ambulatory aids, all sales or rental of manual and powered wheelchairs, stairway lifts, Braille 124 writers, electronic Braille equipment and, if purchased or rented by or on behalf of a person with 125 one or more physical or mental disabilities to enable them to function more independently, all 126 sales or rental of scooters, reading machines, electronic print enlargers and magnifiers, electronic 127 alternative and augmentative communication devices, and items used solely to modify motor 128 vehicles to permit the use of such motor vehicles by individuals with disabilities or sales of 129 over-the-counter or nonprescription drugs to individuals with disabilities, and drugs required by 130 the Food and Drug Administration to meet the over-the-counter drug product labeling 131 requirements in 21 CFR 201.66, or its successor, as prescribed by a health care practitioner 132 licensed to prescribe;

(20) All sales made by or to religious and charitable organizations and institutions in
their religious, charitable or educational functions and activities and all sales made by or to all
elementary and secondary schools operated at public expense in their educational functions and
activities;

(21) All sales of aircraft to common carriers for storage or for use in interstate commerce
and all sales made by or to not-for-profit civic, social, service or fraternal organizations,
including fraternal organizations which have been declared tax-exempt organizations pursuant

to Section 501(c)(8) or (10) of the 1986 Internal Revenue Code, as amended, in their civic or charitable functions and activities and all sales made to eleemosynary and penal institutions and industries of the state, and all sales made to any private not-for-profit institution of higher education not otherwise excluded pursuant to subdivision (20) of this subsection or any institution of higher education supported by public funds, and all sales made to a state relief agency in the exercise of relief functions and activities;

146 (22) All ticket sales made by benevolent, scientific and educational associations which 147 are formed to foster, encourage, and promote progress and improvement in the science of 148 agriculture and in the raising and breeding of animals, and by nonprofit summer theater 149 organizations if such organizations are exempt from federal tax pursuant to the provisions of the 150 Internal Revenue Code and all admission charges and entry fees to the Missouri state fair or any 151 fair conducted by a county agricultural and mechanical society organized and operated pursuant 152 to sections 262.290 to 262.530;

153 (23) All sales made to any private not-for-profit elementary or secondary school, all sales 154 of feed additives, medications or vaccines administered to livestock or poultry in the production 155 of food or fiber, all sales of pesticides used in the production of crops, livestock or poultry for 156 food or fiber, all sales of bedding used in the production of livestock or poultry for food or fiber, 157 all sales of propane or natural gas, electricity or diesel fuel used exclusively for drying 158 agricultural crops, natural gas used in the primary manufacture or processing of fuel ethanol as 159 defined in section 142.028, natural gas, propane, and electricity used by an eligible new 160 generation cooperative or an eligible new generation processing entity as defined in section 161 348.432, and all sales of farm machinery and equipment, other than airplanes, motor vehicles and 162 trailers, and any freight charges on any exempt item. As used in this subdivision, the term "feed 163 additives" means tangible personal property which, when mixed with feed for livestock or 164 poultry, is to be used in the feeding of livestock or poultry. As used in this subdivision, the term 165 "pesticides" includes adjuvants such as crop oils, surfactants, wetting agents and other assorted 166 pesticide carriers used to improve or enhance the effect of a pesticide and the foam used to mark the application of pesticides and herbicides for the production of crops, livestock or poultry. As 167 168 used in this subdivision, the term "farm machinery and equipment" means new or used farm 169 tractors and such other new or used farm machinery and equipment and repair or replacement 170 parts thereon and any accessories for and upgrades to such farm machinery and equipment, rotary 171 mowers used exclusively for agricultural purposes, and supplies and lubricants used exclusively, 172 solely, and directly for producing crops, raising and feeding livestock, fish, poultry, pheasants, 173 chukar, quail, or for producing milk for ultimate sale at retail, including field drain tile, and 174 one-half of each purchaser's purchase of diesel fuel therefor which is:

175 (a) Used exclusively for agricultural purposes;

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176 (b) Used on land owned or leased for the purpose of producing farm products; and

(c) Used directly in producing farm products to be sold ultimately in processed form or
otherwise at retail or in producing farm products to be fed to livestock or poultry to be sold
ultimately in processed form at retail;

(24) Except as otherwise provided in section 144.032, all sales of metered water service,
electricity, electrical current, natural, artificial or propane gas, wood, coal or home heating oil
for domestic use and in any city not within a county, all sales of metered or unmetered water
service for domestic use:

184 (a) "Domestic use" means that portion of metered water service, electricity, electrical 185 current, natural, artificial or propane gas, wood, coal or home heating oil, and in any city not 186 within a county, metered or unmetered water service, which an individual occupant of a 187 residential premises uses for nonbusiness, noncommercial or nonindustrial purposes. Utility 188 service through a single or master meter for residential apartments or condominiums, including 189 service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, shall be deemed to be for domestic use. 190 Each seller shall establish and maintain a system whereby individual purchases are determined 191 as exempt or nonexempt;

192 (b) Regulated utility sellers shall determine whether individual purchases are exempt or 193 nonexempt based upon the seller's utility service rate classifications as contained in tariffs on file 194 with and approved by the Missouri public service commission. Sales and purchases made 195 pursuant to the rate classification "residential" and sales to and purchases made by or on behalf 196 of the occupants of residential apartments or condominiums through a single or master meter, 197 including service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, shall be considered as sales 198 made for domestic use and such sales shall be exempt from sales tax. Sellers shall charge sales 199 tax upon the entire amount of purchases classified as nondomestic use. The seller's utility 200 service rate classification and the provision of service thereunder shall be conclusive as to 201 whether or not the utility must charge sales tax;

202 (c) Each person making domestic use purchases of services or property and who uses any 203 portion of the services or property so purchased for a nondomestic use shall, by the fifteenth day 204 of the fourth month following the year of purchase, and without assessment, notice or demand, 205 file a return and pay sales tax on that portion of nondomestic purchases. Each person making 206 nondomestic purchases of services or property and who uses any portion of the services or 207 property so purchased for domestic use, and each person making domestic purchases on behalf 208 of occupants of residential apartments or condominiums through a single or master meter, 209 including service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, under a nonresidential utility 210 service rate classification may, between the first day of the first month and the fifteenth day of 211 the fourth month following the year of purchase, apply for credit or refund to the director of 212 revenue and the director shall give credit or make refund for taxes paid on the domestic use

213 portion of the purchase. The person making such purchases on behalf of occupants of residential 214 apartments or condominiums shall have standing to apply to the director of revenue for such 215 credit or refund;

(25) All sales of handicraft items made by the seller or the seller's spouse if the seller or
the seller's spouse is at least sixty-five years of age, and if the total gross proceeds from such
sales do not constitute a majority of the annual gross income of the seller;

(26) Excise taxes, collected on sales at retail, imposed by Sections 4041, 4061, 4071,
4081, 4091, 4161, 4181, 4251, 4261 and 4271 of Title 26, United States Code. The director of
revenue shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 536 to eliminate all state and local sales taxes
on such excise taxes;

(27) Sales of fuel consumed or used in the operation of ships, barges, or waterborne vessels which are used primarily in or for the transportation of property or cargo, or the conveyance of persons for hire, on navigable rivers bordering on or located in part in this state, if such fuel is delivered by the seller to the purchaser's barge, ship, or waterborne vessel while it is afloat upon such river;

(28) All sales made to an interstate compact agency created pursuant to sections 70.370
to 70.441 or sections 238.010 to 238.100 in the exercise of the functions and activities of such agency as provided pursuant to the compact;

(29) Computers, computer software and computer security systems purchased for use
by architectural or engineering firms headquartered in this state. For the purposes of this
subdivision, "headquartered in this state" means the office for the administrative management
of at least four integrated facilities operated by the taxpayer is located in the state of Missouri;

(30) All livestock sales when either the seller is engaged in the growing, producing or
feeding of such livestock, or the seller is engaged in the business of buying and selling, bartering
or leasing of such livestock;

(31) All sales of barges which are to be used primarily in the transportation of propertyor cargo on interstate waterways;

(32) Electrical energy or gas, whether natural, artificial or propane, water, or other
utilities which are ultimately consumed in connection with the manufacturing of cellular glass
products or in any material recovery processing plant as defined in subdivision (5) of this
subsection;

(33) Notwithstanding other provisions of law to the contrary, all sales of pesticides or
 herbicides used in the production of crops, aquaculture, livestock or poultry;

(34) Tangible personal property and utilities purchased for use or consumption directly
or exclusively in the research and development of agricultural/biotechnology and plant genomics
products and prescription pharmaceuticals consumed by humans or animals;

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(35) All sales of grain bins for storage of grain for resale;

(36) All sales of feed which are developed for and used in the feeding of pets owned by
a commercial breeder when such sales are made to a commercial breeder, as defined in section
273.325, and licensed pursuant to sections 273.325 to 273.357;

253 (37) All purchases by a contractor on behalf of an entity located in another state, 254 provided that the entity is authorized to issue a certificate of exemption for purchases to a 255 contractor under the provisions of that state's laws. For purposes of this subdivision, the term 256 "certificate of exemption" shall mean any document evidencing that the entity is exempt from 257 sales and use taxes on purchases pursuant to the laws of the state in which the entity is located. 258 Any contractor making purchases on behalf of such entity shall maintain a copy of the entity's 259 exemption certificate as evidence of the exemption. If the exemption certificate issued by the 260 exempt entity to the contractor is later determined by the director of revenue to be invalid for any 261 reason and the contractor has accepted the certificate in good faith, neither the contractor or the 262 exempt entity shall be liable for the payment of any taxes, interest and penalty due as the result 263 of use of the invalid exemption certificate. Materials shall be exempt from all state and local 264 sales and use taxes when purchased by a contractor for the purpose of fabricating tangible 265 personal property which is used in fulfilling a contract for the purpose of constructing, repairing 266 or remodeling facilities for the following:

(a) An exempt entity located in this state, if the entity is one of those entities able to issue
project exemption certificates in accordance with the provisions of section 144.062; or

(b) An exempt entity located outside the state if the exempt entity is authorized to issue
an exemption certificate to contractors in accordance with the provisions of that state's law and
the applicable provisions of this section;

(38) All sales or other transfers of tangible personal property to a lessor who leases the
property under a lease of one year or longer executed or in effect at the time of the sale or other
transfer to an interstate compact agency created pursuant to sections 70.370 to 70.441 or sections
238.010 to 238.100;

(39) Sales of tickets to any collegiate athletic championship event that is held in a facility owned or operated by a governmental authority or commission, a quasi-governmental agency, a state university or college or by the state or any political subdivision thereof, including a municipality, and that is played on a neutral site and may reasonably be played at a site located outside the state of Missouri. For purposes of this subdivision, "neutral site" means any site that is not located on the campus of a conference member institution participating in the event; (40) All purchases by a sports complex authority created under section 64.920, and all
sales of utilities by such authority at the authority's cost that are consumed in connection with
the operation of a sports complex leased to a professional sports team;

(41) All materials, replacement parts, and equipment purchased for use directly upon,
and for the modification, replacement, repair, and maintenance of aircraft, aircraft power plants,
and aircraft accessories;

(42) Sales of sporting clays, wobble, skeet, and trap targets to any shooting range or
similar places of business for use in the normal course of business and money received by a
shooting range or similar places of business from patrons and held by a shooting range or similar
place of business for redistribution to patrons at the conclusion of a shooting event;

(43) All sales of motor fuel, as defined in section 142.800, used in any watercraft, asdefined in section 306.010;

(44) Any new or used aircraft sold or delivered in this state to a person who is not a resident of this state or a corporation that is not incorporated in this state, and such aircraft is not to be based in this state and shall not remain in this state more than ten business days subsequent to the last to occur of:

(a) The transfer of title to the aircraft to a person who is not a resident of this state or acorporation that is not incorporated in this state; or

300 (b) The date of the return to service of the aircraft in accordance with 14 CFR 91.407 for 301 any maintenance, preventive maintenance, rebuilding, alterations, repairs, or installations that 302 are completed contemporaneously with the transfer of title to the aircraft to a person who is not 303 a resident of this state or a corporation that is not incorporated in this state;

304 (45) All internet access or the use of internet access regardless of whether the tax
 305 is imposed on a provider of internet access or a buyer of internet access. For purposes of
 306 this subdivision, the following terms shall mean:

(a) "Direct costs", costs incurred by a governmental authority solely because of an
 internet service provider's use of the public right-of-way. The term shall not include costs
 that the governmental authority would have incurred if the internet service provider did
 not make such use of the public right-of-way. Direct costs shall be determined in a manner
 consistent with generally accepted accounting principles;

(b) "Internet", computer and telecommunications facilities, including equipment
and operating software, that comprises the interconnected worldwide network that employ
the Transmission Control Protocol or Internet Protocol, or any predecessor or successor
protocols to that protocol, to communicate information of all kinds by wire or radio;
(c) "Internet access", a service that enables users to connect to the internet to access

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to as telecommunications, communications, transmission, or similar services, and without regard to whether a provider of the service is subject to regulation by the Federal Communications Commission as a common carrier under 47 U.S.C. Section 201, et seq. For purposes of this subdivision, "internet access" also includes: the purchase, use, or sale of communications services, including telecommunications services as defined in section 144.010, to the extent the communications services are purchased, used, or sold to provide the service described in this subdivision or to otherwise enable users to access content, information, or other services offered over the internet; services that are incidental to the provision of a service described in this subdivision, when furnished to users as part of such service, including a home page, electronic mail, and instant messaging, including voice-capable and video-capable electronic mail and instant messaging, video clips, and personal electronic storage capacity; a home page electronic mail and instant messaging, video clips, and

voice-capable and video-capable electronic mail and instant messaging, video clips, and personal electronic storage capacity that are provided independently or that are not packed with internet access. As used in this subdivision, "internet access" does not include voice, audio, and video programming or other products and services, except services described in this paragraph or this subdivision, that use internet protocol or any successor protocol and for which there is a charge, regardless of whether the charge is separately stated or aggregated with the charge for services described in this paragraph or this subdivision;

338 (d) "Tax", any charge imposed by the state or a political subdivision of the state 339 for the purpose of generating revenues for governmental purposes and that is not a fee 340 imposed for a specific privilege, service, or benefit conferred, except as described as 341 otherwise under this subdivision, or any obligation imposed on a seller to collect and to 342 remit to the state or a political subdivision of the state any gross retail tax, sales tax, or use 343 tax imposed on a buyer by such a governmental entity. The term "tax" shall not include 344 any franchise fee or similar fee imposed or authorized under sections 67.1830 or 67.2689; sections 622 or 653 of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. Section 542 and 47 345 346 U.S.C. Section 573; or any other fee related to obligations of telecommunications carriers 347 under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. Section 151 et seq., except to the extent 348 that:

a. The fee is not imposed for the purpose of recovering direct costs incurred by the
 franchising or other governmental authority from providing the specific privilege, service,
 or benefit conferred to the payer of the fee; or

b. The fee is imposed for the use of a public right-of-way based on a percentage of the service revenue, and the fee exceeds the incremental direct costs incurred by the

#### 354 governmental authority associated with the provision of that right-of-way to the provider

355 of internet access service.

356 Nothing in this subdivision shall be interpreted as an exemption from taxes due on goods

357 or services that were subject to tax on January 1, 2016.

358 3. Any ruling, agreement, or contract, whether written or oral, express or implied, 359 between a person and this state's executive branch, or any other state agency or department, 360 stating, agreeing, or ruling that such person is not required to collect sales and use tax in this 361 state despite the presence of a warehouse, distribution center, or fulfillment center in this state 362 that is owned or operated by the person or an affiliated person shall be null and void unless it is 363 specifically approved by a majority vote of each of the houses of the general assembly. For 364 purposes of this subsection, an "affiliated person" means any person that is a member of the same 365 controlled group of corporations as defined in Section 1563(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 366 1986, as amended, as the vendor or any other entity that, notwithstanding its form of 367 organization, bears the same ownership relationship to the vendor as a corporation that is a 368 member of the same controlled group of corporations as defined in Section 1563(a) of the 369 Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

144.087. 1. The director of revenue shall require all applicants for retail sales licenses and all licensees in default in filing a return and paying their taxes when due to file a bond in an 2 amount to be determined by the director, which may be a corporate surety bond or a cash bond, 3 but such bond shall not be more than [three] two times the average monthly tax liability of the 4 taxpayer, estimated in the case of a new applicant, otherwise based on the previous twelve 5 months' experience. At such time as the director of revenue shall deem the amount of a bond 6 required by this section to be insufficient to cover the average monthly tax liability of a given 7 taxpayer, he may require such taxpayer to adjust the amount of the bond to the level satisfactory 8 9 to the director which will cover the amount of such liability. The director shall, after a reasonable period of satisfactory tax compliance for [two years] one year from the initial date 10 11 of bonding, release such taxpayer from the bonding requirement as set forth in this section. All itinerant or temporary businesses shall be required to procure the license and post the bond 12 13 required under the provisions of sections 144.083 and 144.087 prior to the selling of goods at 14 retail, and in the event that such business is to be conducted for less than one month, the amount 15 of the bond shall be determined by the director.

All cash bonds shall be deposited by the director of revenue into the state general
 revenue fund, and shall be released to the taxpayer pursuant to subsection 1 of this section from
 funds appropriated by the general assembly for such purpose. If appropriated funds are available,
 the commissioner of administration and the state treasurer shall cause such refunds to be paid

20 within thirty days of the receipt of a warrant request for such payment from the director of the

21 department of revenue.

22 3. An applicant or licensee in default may, in lieu of filing any bond required under this section, provide the director of revenue with an irrevocable letter of credit, as defined in section 23 24 400.5-103, issued by any state or federally chartered financial institution, in an amount to be determined by the director or may obtain a certificate of deposit issued by any state or federally 25 chartered financial institution, in an amount to be determined by the director, where such 26 certificate of deposit is pledged to the department of revenue until released by the director in the 27 28 same manner as bonds are released pursuant to subsection 1 of this section. As used in this 29 subsection, the term "certificate of deposit" means a certificate representing any deposit of funds in a state or federally chartered financial institution for a specified period of time which earns 30 interest at a fixed or variable rate, where such funds cannot be withdrawn prior to a specified 31 time without forfeiture of some or all of the earned interest. 32

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