## SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

## SENATE BILLS NOS. 153 & 97

## AN ACT

To repeal sections 32.087, 32.310, 143.011, 144.011, 144.014, 144.020, 144.049, 144.054, 144.060, 144.080, 144.140, 144.526, 144.605, 144.710, 144.757, 144.759, 144.1000, 144.1003, 144.1006, 144.1009, 144.1012, and 144.1015, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twenty-one new sections relating to taxation, with penalty provisions, an emergency clause for a certain section, and an effective date for certain sections.

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

Section A. Sections 32.087, 32.310, 143.011, 144.011, 144.014, 144.020, 144.049, 144.054, 144.060, 144.080, 144.140, 144.526, 144.605, 144.710, 144.757, 144.759, 144.1000, 144.1003, 144.1006, 144.1009, 144.1012, and 144.1015, RSMo, are repealed and twenty-one new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 32.087, 32.310, 33.575, 143.011, 144.011, 144.014, 144.020, 144.049, 144.054, 144.060, 144.080, 144.140, 144.526, 144.605, 144.608, 144.637, 144.638, 144.710, 144.752, 144.757, and 144.759, to read as follows:

- 32.087. 1. Within ten days after the adoption of any ordinance or order in favor of adoption of any local sales tax authorized under the local sales tax law by the voters of a taxing entity, the governing body or official of such taxing entity shall forward to the director of revenue by United States registered mail or certified mail a certified copy of the ordinance or order. The ordinance or order shall reflect the effective date thereof.
- 2. Any local sales tax so adopted shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the director of revenue receives notice of adoption of

the local sales tax, except as provided in subsection [18] 17 of this section, and shall be imposed on all transactions on which the Missouri state sales tax is imposed.

- 3. (1) Every retailer within the jurisdiction of one or more taxing entities which has imposed one or more local sales taxes under the local sales tax law shall add all taxes so imposed along with the tax imposed by the sales tax law of the state of Missouri to the sale price and, when added, the combined tax shall constitute a part of the price, and shall be a debt of the purchaser to the retailer until paid, and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as the purchase price. The combined rate of the state sales tax and all local sales taxes shall be the sum of the rates, multiplying the combined rate times the amount of the sale.
- (2) For all tax years beginning on or after January 1,

  2023, the rate of sales taxes imposed under the local sales
  tax law shall not exceed the following amounts:
- (a) For local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law by a taxing entity that is incorporated as a city, town, or village, four and one-half percent;
- (b) For local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law by a county, excluding cities not within a county, three and one-fourth percent;
- (c) For local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law by all taxing jurisdictions other than those described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subdivision, the total combined rate of sales taxes in any given taxing jurisdiction shall not exceed three and one-fourth percent.

  For the purposes of this paragraph, local sales taxes imposed by taxing entities described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subdivision, in a given taxing jurisdiction

- shall not be included in the calculation of the total combined rate of sales taxes under this paragraph.
- (3) For the purposes of subdivision (2) of this subsection, no transient guest tax or convention and tourism tax, including sections 92.325 to 92.340, shall be considered a local sales tax under the local sales tax law.
- (4) In any election in which more than one sales tax levy is approved by the voters, and the passage of such levies results in a combined rate of sales tax in excess of the limits provided for under subdivision (2) of this subsection, only the sales tax levy receiving the most votes shall become effective, provided such levy does not result in a combined rate of sales tax in excess of the limits provided for under subdivision (2) of this subsection.
- 4. [The brackets required to be established by the director of revenue under the provisions of section 144.285 shall be based upon the sum of the combined rate of the state sales tax and all local sales taxes imposed under the provisions of the local sales tax law.
- 5.] (1) The ordinance or order imposing a local sales tax under the local sales tax law shall impose a tax upon all transactions upon which the Missouri state sales tax is imposed to the extent and in the manner provided in sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527, and the rules and regulations of the director of revenue issued pursuant thereto[; except that the rate of the tax shall be the sum of the combined rate of the state sales tax or state highway use tax and all local sales taxes imposed under the provisions of the local sales tax law].
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, local taxing jurisdictions, except those in which voters have approved a local use tax under section 144.757, shall have placed on the ballot on or after the general

election in November 2014, but no later than the general election in November 2022, whether to repeal application of the local sales tax to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that are subject to state sales tax under section 144.020 and purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. The ballot question presented to the local voters shall contain substantially the following language:

Shall the \_\_\_\_\_\_ (local jurisdiction's name) discontinue applying and collecting the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer?

Approval of this measure will result in a reduction of local revenue to provide for vital services for \_\_\_\_\_ (local jurisdiction's name) and it will place Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers at a competitive disadvantage to non-Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers.

□ YES □ NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

(3) If the ballot question set forth in subdivision
(2) of this subsection receives a majority of the votes cast in favor of the proposal, or if the local taxing jurisdiction fails to place the ballot question before the voters on or before the general election in November 2022,

the local taxing jurisdiction shall cease applying the local sales tax to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer.

- In addition to the requirement that the ballot question set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection be placed before the voters, the governing body of any local taxing jurisdiction that had previously imposed a local use tax on the use of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors may, at any time, place a proposal on the ballot at any election to repeal application of the local sales tax to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. If a majority of the votes cast by the registered voters voting thereon are in favor of the proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling, then the local sales tax shall no longer be applied to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. If a majority of the votes cast by the registered voters voting thereon are opposed to the proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling, such application shall remain in effect.
- question set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection be placed before the voters on or after the general election in November 2014, and on or before the general election in November 2022, whenever the governing body of any local taxing jurisdiction imposing a local sales tax on the sale of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors receives a petition, signed by fifteen percent of the registered voters of such jurisdiction voting in the last gubernatorial election, and calling for a proposal to be

placed on the ballot at any election to repeal application of the local sales tax to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer, the governing body shall submit to the voters of such jurisdiction a proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling. If a majority of the votes cast by the registered voters voting thereon are in favor of the proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling, then the local sales tax shall no longer be applied to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. If a majority of the votes cast by the registered voters voting thereon are opposed to the proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling, such application shall remain in effect.

- (6) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to authorize the voters of any jurisdiction to repeal application of any state sales or use tax.
- vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer is repealed, such repeal shall take effect on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the election. If any local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer is required to cease to be applied or collected due to failure of a local taxing jurisdiction to hold an election pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection, such cessation shall take effect on March 1, 2023.
- (8) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if any local sales tax on the titling of motor

vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer is repealed after the general election in November 2014, or if the taxing jurisdiction failed to present the ballot to the voters at a general election on or before November 2022, then the governing body of such taxing jurisdiction may, at any election subsequent to the repeal or after the general election in November 2022, if the jurisdiction failed to present the ballot to the voters, place before the voters the issue of imposing a sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that are subject to state sales tax under section 144.020 that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. The ballot question presented to the local voters shall contain substantially the following language:

Shall the \_\_\_\_\_\_ (local jurisdiction's name) apply and collect the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that are subject to state sales tax under section 144.020 and purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer? Approval of this measure will result in an increase of local revenue to provide for vital services for \_\_\_\_\_ (local jurisdiction's name), and it will remove a competitive advantage that non-Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers have over Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers.

□ YES □ NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are

opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

- (9) If any local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer is adopted, such tax shall take effect and be imposed on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the election.
- [6.] 5. On and after the effective date of any local sales tax imposed under the provisions of the local sales tax law, the director of revenue shall perform all functions incident to the administration, collection, enforcement, and operation of the tax, and the director of revenue shall collect in addition to the sales tax for the state of Missouri all additional local sales taxes authorized under the authority of the local sales tax law. All local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law together with all taxes imposed under the sales tax law of the state of Missouri shall be collected together and reported upon such forms and under such administrative rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the director of revenue.
- [7.] <u>6.</u> All applicable provisions contained in sections 144.010 to [144.525] <u>144.527</u> governing the state sales tax and section 32.057, the uniform confidentiality provision, shall apply to the collection of any local sales tax imposed under the local sales tax law except as modified by the local sales tax law.
- [8.] 7. All exemptions granted to agencies of government, organizations, persons and to the sale of certain articles and items of tangible personal property and taxable services under the provisions of sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527, as these sections now read and as they may hereafter be amended, it being the intent of this general assembly to ensure that the same sales tax

exemptions granted from the state sales tax law also be granted under the local sales tax law, are hereby made applicable to the imposition and collection of all local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law.

- [9.] 8. The same sales tax permit, exemption certificate and retail certificate required by sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527 for the administration and collection of the state sales tax shall satisfy the requirements of the local sales tax law, and no additional permit or exemption certificate or retail certificate shall be required; except that the director of revenue may prescribe a form of exemption certificate for an exemption from any local sales tax imposed by the local sales tax law.
- [10.] 9. All discounts allowed the retailer under the provisions of the state sales tax law for the collection of and for payment of taxes under the provisions of the state sales tax law are hereby allowed and made applicable to any local sales tax collected under the provisions of the local sales tax law.
- [11.]  $\underline{10.}$  The penalties provided in section 32.057 and sections 144.010 to [144.525]  $\underline{144.527}$  for a violation of the provisions of those sections are hereby made applicable to violations of the provisions of the local sales tax law.
- [12.] 11. (1) For the purposes of any local sales tax imposed by an ordinance or order under the local sales tax law, all sales, except the sale of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri, shall be deemed to be consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination. In the event a retailer has more than one place of business in this state which participates in the sale, the sale shall be

deemed to be consummated at the place of business of the retailer where the initial order for the tangible personal property is taken, even though the order must be forwarded elsewhere for acceptance, approval of credit, shipment or billing. A sale by a retailer's agent or employee shall be deemed to be consummated at the place of business from which he works.

- (2) For the purposes of any local sales tax imposed by an ordinance or order under the local sales tax law, the sales tax upon the titling of all motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors shall be imposed at the rate in effect at the location of the residence of the purchaser, and remitted to that local taxing entity, and not at the place of business of the retailer, or the place of business from which the retailer's agent or employee works.
- (3) For the purposes of any local tax imposed by an ordinance or under the local sales tax law on charges for mobile telecommunications services, all taxes of mobile telecommunications service shall be imposed as provided in the Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, 4 U.S.C. Sections 116 through 124, as amended.
- [13.] 12. Local sales taxes shall not be imposed on the seller of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri, but shall be collected from the purchaser by the director of revenue at the time application is made for a certificate of title, if the address of the applicant is within a taxing entity imposing a local sales tax under the local sales tax law.
- [14.] 13. The director of revenue and any of his deputies, assistants and employees who have any duties or responsibilities in connection with the collection, deposit, transfer, transmittal, disbursement, safekeeping,

accounting, or recording of funds which come into the hands of the director of revenue under the provisions of the local sales tax law shall enter a surety bond or bonds payable to any and all taxing entities in whose behalf such funds have been collected under the local sales tax law in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars for each such tax; but the director of revenue may enter into a blanket bond covering himself and all such deputies, assistants and employees. The cost of any premium for such bonds shall be paid by the director of revenue from the share of the collections under the sales tax law retained by the director of revenue for the benefit of the state.

- [15.] 14. The director of revenue shall annually report on his management of each trust fund which is created under the local sales tax law and administration of each local sales tax imposed under the local sales tax law. He shall provide each taxing entity imposing one or more local sales taxes authorized by the local sales tax law with a detailed accounting of the source of all funds received by him for the taxing entity. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the state auditor shall annually audit each trust fund. A copy of the director's report and annual audit shall be forwarded to each taxing entity imposing one or more local sales taxes.
- [16.] 15. Within the boundaries of any taxing entity where one or more local sales taxes have been imposed, if any person is delinquent in the payment of the amount required to be paid by him under the local sales tax law or in the event a determination has been made against him for taxes and penalty under the local sales tax law, the limitation for bringing suit for the collection of the delinquent tax and penalty shall be the same as that provided in sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527. Where

the director of revenue has determined that suit must be filed against any person for the collection of delinquent taxes due the state under the state sales tax law, and where such person is also delinquent in payment of taxes under the local sales tax law, the director of revenue shall notify the taxing entity in the event any person fails or refuses to pay the amount of any local sales tax due so that appropriate action may be taken by the taxing entity.

- [17.] 16. Where property is seized by the director of revenue under the provisions of any law authorizing seizure of the property of a taxpayer who is delinquent in payment of the tax imposed by the state sales tax law, and where such taxpayer is also delinquent in payment of any tax imposed by the local sales tax law, the director of revenue shall permit the taxing entity to join in any sale of property to pay the delinquent taxes and penalties due the state and to the taxing entity under the local sales tax law. The proceeds from such sale shall first be applied to all sums due the state, and the remainder, if any, shall be applied to all sums due such taxing entity.
- [18.] 17. If a local sales tax has been in effect for at least one year under the provisions of the local sales tax law and voters approve reimposition of the same local sales tax at the same rate at an election as provided for in the local sales tax law prior to the date such tax is due to expire, the tax so reimposed shall become effective the first day of the first calendar quarter after the director receives a certified copy of the ordinance, order or resolution accompanied by a map clearly showing the boundaries thereof and the results of such election, provided that such ordinance, order or resolution and all necessary accompanying materials are received by the director at least thirty days prior to the expiration of

such tax. Any administrative cost or expense incurred by the state as a result of the provisions of this subsection shall be paid by the city or county reimposing such tax.

- 32.310. 1. The department of revenue shall create and maintain a mapping feature on its official public website that displays sales and use tax information of political subdivisions of this state that have taxing authority, including the current tax rate for each sales and use tax imposed and collected. Such display shall have the option to showcase the borders and jurisdiction of the following political subdivisions on a map of the state to the extent that such political subdivisions collect sales and use tax:
  - (1) Ambulance districts;
  - (2) Community improvement districts;
  - (3) Fire protection districts;
  - (4) Levee districts;
  - (5) Library districts;
  - (6) Neighborhood improvement districts;
  - (7) Port authority districts;
  - (8) Tax increment financing districts;
  - (9) Transportation development districts;
  - (10) School districts; or
- (11) Any other political subdivision that imposes a sales or use tax within its borders and jurisdiction.
- 2. The mapping feature shall also have the option to superimpose state house of representative districts and state senate districts over the political subdivisions.
- 3. A political subdivision collecting sales <u>or use</u> tax listed in subsection 1 of this section shall provide to the department of revenue mapping and geographic data pertaining to the political subdivision's borders and jurisdictions. The political subdivision shall certify the accuracy of the data by affidavit and shall provide the data in a format

specified by the department of revenue. Such data relating to sales taxes shall be sent to the department of revenue by April 1, 2019, and shall be updated and sent to the department if a change in the political subdivision's borders or jurisdiction occurs thereafter. Such data relating to use taxes shall be sent to the department of revenue by January 1, 2022. If a political subdivision fails to provide the information required under this subsection, the department of revenue shall use the last known sales or use tax rate for such political subdivision.

- 4. The department of revenue may contract with another entity to build and maintain the mapping feature.
- 5. By July 1, 2019, the department shall implement the mapping feature using the sales tax data provided to it under subsection 3 of this section. By August 28, 2022, the department shall implement the mapping feature using use tax data provided to it under subsection 3 of this section.
- 6. If the boundaries of a political subdivision listed in subsection 1 of this section in which a sales or use tax has been imposed shall thereafter be changed or altered, the political subdivision shall forward to the director of revenue by United States registered mail or certified mail a certified copy of the ordinance adding or detaching territory from the political subdivision within ten days of adoption of the ordinance. The ordinance shall reflect the effective date of the ordinance and shall be accompanied by a map in a form to be determined by the director of revenue. Upon receipt of the ordinance and map, the tax imposed under the local sales tax law shall be effective in the added territory or abolished in the detached territory on the first day of a calendar quarter after one hundred twenty days' notice to sellers.

- treasury the "Cash Operating Expense Fund", which shall consist of money as provided under this section. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.
- 2. (1) The state general revenue portion from remittances made pursuant to section 144.752 and paragraph (e) of subdivision (3) of section 144.605, with the exception of revenues collected pursuant to section 144.701 and Article IV, Sections 43(a) and 47(a) of the Missouri Constitution, shall be deposited into the fund.
- (2) Subject to appropriation, the following moneys may be transferred into the fund:
- (a) Any funds appropriated to the office of the governor for expenses related to emergency duties performed by the national guard when ordered out by the governor, for matching funds for federal grants and for emergency assistance as provided in section 44.032, and for expenses of any state agency responding during a declared emergency at the direction of the governor, provided the services furnish immediate aid and relief, that were unexpended at the end of the fiscal year; and
- (b) Any funds appropriated to the fund by the general assembly or otherwise credited to the fund.
- 3. In any fiscal year in which actual revenues are less than the revenue estimates upon which appropriations

were based or in which there is a budget need due to a natural disaster, as proclaimed by the governor to be an emergency, the governor may, subject to appropriation, transfer from the fund to the general revenue fund such moneys as are necessary to make up all or part of the deficit between the actual revenues and the revenue estimates or to meet the needs of the emergency caused by the natural disaster, as the case may be.

- 4. When the balance in the fund at the close of any fiscal year exceeds two and one-half percent of net general revenue collections for the previous fiscal year, the excess balance shall be transferred to the general revenue fund.
- 5. For the purposes of this section, "net general revenue collections" means all revenue deposited into the general revenue fund less refunds and revenues originally deposited into the general revenue fund but designated by law for a specific distribution or transfer to another state fund.

143.011. 1. A tax is hereby imposed for every taxable year on the Missouri taxable income of every resident. The tax shall be determined by applying the tax table or the rate provided in section 143.021, which is based upon the following rates:

If the Missouri taxable income is:	The tax is:
Not over \$1,000.00	1 1/2% of the Missouri taxable income
Over \$1,000 but not over \$2,000	\$15 plus 2% of excess over \$1,000
Over \$2,000 but not over \$3,000	\$35 plus 2 1/2% of excess over \$2,000

	\$3,000 \$4,000	but	not	\$60 plus 3% of excess over \$3,000
	\$4,000 \$5,000	but	not	\$90 plus 3 1/2% of excess over \$4,000
	\$5,000 \$6,000	but	not	\$125 plus 4% of excess over \$5,000
	\$6,000 \$7,000	but	not	\$165 plus 4 1/2% of excess over \$6,000
	\$7,000 \$8,000	but	not	\$210 plus 5% of excess over \$7,000
	\$8,000 \$9,000	but	not	\$260 plus 5 1/2% of excess over \$8,000
Over	\$9,000			\$315 plus 6% of excess over \$9,000

- 2. (1) Beginning with the 2017 calendar year, the top rate of tax under subsection 1 of this section may be reduced over a period of years. Each reduction in the top rate of tax shall be by one-tenth of a percent and no more than one reduction shall occur in a calendar year. No more than five reductions shall be made under this subsection. Reductions in the rate of tax shall take effect on January first of a calendar year and such reduced rates shall continue in effect until the next reduction occurs.
- (2) A reduction in the rate of tax shall only occur if the amount of net general revenue collected in the previous fiscal year exceeds the highest amount of net general revenue collected in any of the three fiscal years prior to such fiscal year by at least one hundred fifty million dollars.
- (3) Any modification of tax rates under this subsection shall only apply to tax years that begin on or after a modification takes effect.

- (4) The director of the department of revenue shall, by rule, adjust the tax tables under subsection 1 of this section to effectuate the provisions of this subsection. The bracket for income subject to the top rate of tax shall be eliminated once the top rate of tax has been reduced to five and one-half percent, and the top remaining rate of tax shall apply to all income in excess of the income in the second highest remaining income bracket.
- 3. (1) In addition to the rate reductions under subsection 2 of this section, beginning with the 2019 calendar year, the top rate of tax under subsection 1 of this section shall be reduced by four-tenths of one percent. Such reduction in the rate of tax shall take effect on January first of the 2019 calendar year.
- (2) The modification of tax rates under this subsection shall only apply to tax years that begin on or after the date the modification takes effect.
- (3) The director of the department of revenue shall, by rule, adjust the tax tables under subsection 1 of this section to effectuate the provisions of this subsection.
- 4. (1) In addition to the rate reductions under subsections 2 and 3 of this section, beginning with the 2023 calendar year, the top rate of tax under subsection 1 of this section shall be reduced by five-hundredths of one percent. Such reduction in the rate of tax shall take effect on January first of the 2023 calendar year.
- (2) The modification of tax rates under this subsection shall only apply to tax years that begin on or after the date the modification takes effect.
- (3) The director of the department of revenue shall, by rule, adjust the tax tables under subsection 1 of this section to effectuate the provisions of this subsection.

- 5. (1) In addition to the rate reductions under subsections 2 to 4 of this section, beginning with the calendar year following the calendar year in which the final reduction in the top rate of tax is made under subsection 2 of this section, the top rate of tax under subsection 1 of this section shall be reduced by one-tenth of one percent.

  Such reduction in the rate of tax shall take effect on January first of a calendar year.
- (2) The reduction in the rate of tax pursuant to this subsection shall only occur if the amount of net general revenue collected in the previous fiscal year exceeds the highest amount of net general revenue collected in any of the three fiscal years prior to such fiscal year by at least one hundred fifty million dollars.
- (3) The modification of tax rates under this subsection shall only apply to tax years that begin on or after the date the modification takes effect.
- (4) The director of the department of revenue shall, by rule, adjust the tax tables under subsection 1 of this section to effectuate the provisions of this subsection.
- 6. Beginning with the 2017 calendar year, the brackets of Missouri taxable income identified in subsection 1 of this section shall be adjusted annually by the percent increase in inflation. The director shall publish such brackets annually beginning on or after October 1, 2016. Modifications to the brackets shall take effect on January first of each calendar year and shall apply to tax years beginning on or after the effective date of the new brackets.
- [5.]  $\overline{7.}$  As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- (1) "CPI", the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the United States as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, or its successor index;

- (2) "CPI for the preceding calendar year", the average of the CPI as of the close of the twelve month period ending on August thirty-first of such calendar year;
- (3) "Net general revenue collected", all revenue deposited into the general revenue fund, less refunds and revenues originally deposited into the general revenue fund but designated by law for a specific distribution or transfer to another state fund;
- (4) "Percent increase in inflation", the percentage, if any, by which the CPI for the preceding calendar year exceeds the CPI for the year beginning September 1, 2014, and ending August 31, 2015.
- 144.011. 1. For purposes of [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.748] this chapter, and the taxes imposed thereby, the definition of "retail sale" or "sale at retail" shall not be construed to include any of the following:
- (1) The transfer by one corporation of substantially all of its tangible personal property to another corporation pursuant to a merger or consolidation effected under the laws of the state of Missouri or any other jurisdiction;
- (2) The transfer of tangible personal property incident to the liquidation or cessation of a taxpayer's trade or business, conducted in proprietorship, partnership or corporate form, except to the extent any transfer is made in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or business;
- (3) The transfer of tangible personal property to a corporation solely in exchange for its stock or securities;
- (4) The transfer of tangible personal property to a corporation by a shareholder as a contribution to the capital of the transferee corporation;

- (5) The transfer of tangible personal property to a partnership solely in exchange for a partnership interest therein;
- (6) The transfer of tangible personal property by a partner as a contribution to the capital of the transferee partnership;
- (7) The transfer of tangible personal property by a corporation to one or more of its shareholders as a dividend, return of capital, distribution in the partial or complete liquidation of the corporation or distribution in redemption of the shareholder's interest therein;
- (8) The transfer of tangible personal property by a partnership to one or more of its partners as a current distribution, return of capital or distribution in the partial or complete liquidation of the partnership or of the partner's interest therein;
- (9) The transfer of reusable containers used in connection with the sale of tangible personal property contained therein for which a deposit is required and refunded on return;
- (10) The purchase by persons operating eating or food service establishments, of items of a nonreusable nature which are furnished to the customers of such establishments with or in conjunction with the retail sales of their food or beverage. Such items shall include, but not be limited to, wrapping or packaging materials and nonreusable paper, wood, plastic and aluminum articles such as containers, trays, napkins, dishes, silverware, cups, bags, boxes, straws, sticks and toothpicks;
- (11) The purchase by persons operating hotels, motels or other transient accommodation establishments, of items of a nonreusable nature which are furnished to the guests in the guests' rooms of such establishments and such items are

included in the charge made for such accommodations. Such items shall include, but not be limited to, soap, shampoo, tissue and other toiletries and food or confectionery items offered to the guests without charge;

- (12) The transfer of a manufactured home other than:
- (a) A transfer which involves the delivery of the document known as the "Manufacturer's Statement of Origin" to a person other than a manufactured home dealer, as defined in section 700.010, for purposes of allowing such person to obtain a title to the manufactured home from the department of revenue of this state or the appropriate agency or officer of any other state;
- (b) A transfer which involves the delivery of a "Repossessed Title" to a resident of this state if the tax imposed by [sections 144.010 to 144.525] this chapter was not paid on the transfer of the manufactured home described in paragraph (a) of this subdivision;
- (c) The first transfer which occurs after December 31, 1985, if the tax imposed by [sections 144.010 to 144.525] this chapter was not paid on any transfer of the same manufactured home which occurred before December 31, 1985; or
  - (13) Charges for initiation fees or dues to:
- (a) Fraternal beneficiaries societies, or domestic fraternal societies, orders or associations operating under the lodge system a substantial part of the activities of which are devoted to religious, charitable, scientific, literary, educational or fraternal purposes;
- (b) Posts or organizations of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States or an auxiliary unit or society of, or a trust or foundation for, any such post or organization substantially all of the members of which are past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States or who are cadets, spouses, widows, or

widowers of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; or

- (c) Nonprofit organizations exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 2. The assumption of liabilities of the transferor by the transferee incident to any of the transactions enumerated in the above subdivisions (1) to (8) of subsection 1 of this section shall not disqualify the transfer from the exclusion described in this section, where such liability assumption is related to the property transferred and where the assumption does not have as its principal purpose the avoidance of Missouri sales or use tax.
- 144.014. 1. Notwithstanding other provisions of law to the contrary, beginning October 1, 1997, the tax levied and imposed [pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525 and sections 144.600 to 144.746] under this chapter on all retail sales of food shall be at the rate of one percent. The revenue derived from the one percent rate pursuant to this section shall be deposited by the state treasurer in the school district trust fund and shall be distributed as provided in section 144.701.
- 2. For the purposes of this section, the term "food" shall include only those products and types of food for which food stamps may be redeemed pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Food Stamp Program as contained in 7 U.S.C. Section 2012, as that section now reads or as it may be amended hereafter, and shall include food dispensed by or through vending machines. For the purpose of this section, except for vending machine sales, the term "food" shall not include food or drink sold by any establishment where the

gross receipts derived from the sale of food prepared by such establishment for immediate consumption on or off the premises of the establishment constitutes more than eighty percent of the total gross receipts of that establishment, regardless of whether such prepared food is consumed on the premises of that establishment, including, but not limited to, sales of food by any restaurant, fast food restaurant, delicatessen, eating house, or café.

144.020. 1. A tax is hereby levied and imposed for the privilege of titling new and used motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state which are required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and, except as provided in subdivision (9) of this subsection, upon all sellers for the privilege of engaging in the business of selling tangible personal property or rendering taxable service at retail in this state. The rate of tax shall be as follows:

- (1) Upon every retail sale in this state of tangible personal property, excluding motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and subject to tax under subdivision (9) of this subsection, a tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase price paid or charged, or in case such sale involves the exchange of property, a tax equivalent to four percent of the consideration paid or charged, including the fair market value of the property exchanged at the time and place of the exchange, except as otherwise provided in section 144.025;
- (2) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid for admission and seating accommodations, or fees paid to, or in any place of amusement, entertainment or

recreation, games and athletic events, except amounts paid for any instructional class;

- (3) A tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate paid or charged on all sales of electricity or electrical current, water and gas, natural or artificial, to domestic, commercial or industrial consumers;
- (4) (a) A tax equivalent to four percent on the basic rate paid or charged on all sales of local and long distance telecommunications service to telecommunications subscribers and to others through equipment of telecommunications subscribers for the transmission of messages and conversations and upon the sale, rental or leasing of all equipment or services pertaining or incidental thereto; except that, the payment made by telecommunications subscribers or others, pursuant to section 144.060, and any amounts paid for access to the internet or interactive computer services shall not be considered as amounts paid for telecommunications services;
- (b) If local and long distance telecommunications services subject to tax under this subdivision are aggregated with and not separately stated from charges for telecommunications service or other services not subject to tax under this subdivision, including, but not limited to, interstate or international telecommunications services, then the charges for nontaxable services may be subject to taxation unless the telecommunications provider can identify by reasonable and verifiable standards such portion of the charges not subject to such tax from its books and records that are kept in the regular course of business, including, but not limited to, financial statement, general ledgers, invoice and billing systems and reports, and reports for regulatory tariffs and other regulatory matters;

- (c) A telecommunications provider shall notify the director of revenue of its intention to utilize the standards described in paragraph (b) of this subdivision to determine the charges that are subject to sales tax under this subdivision. Such notification shall be in writing and shall meet standardized criteria established by the department regarding the form and format of such notice;
- (d) The director of revenue may promulgate and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this subdivision. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2019, shall be invalid and void;
- (5) A tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate paid or charged for all sales of services for transmission of messages of telegraph companies;
- (6) A tax equivalent to four percent on the amount of sales or charges for all rooms, meals and drinks furnished at any hotel, motel, tavern, inn, restaurant, eating house, drugstore, dining car, tourist cabin, tourist camp or other place in which rooms, meals or drinks are regularly served to the public. The tax imposed under this subdivision shall not apply to any automatic mandatory gratuity for a large group imposed by a restaurant when such gratuity is reported

as employee tip income and the restaurant withholds income tax under section 143.191 on such gratuity;

- (7) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or charged for intrastate tickets by every person operating a railroad, sleeping car, dining car, express car, boat, airplane and such buses and trucks as are licensed by the division of motor carrier and railroad safety of the department of economic development of Missouri, engaged in the transportation of persons for hire;
- (8) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or charged for rental or lease of tangible personal property, provided that if the lessor or renter of any tangible personal property had previously purchased the property under the conditions of sale at retail or leased or rented the property and the tax was paid at the time of purchase, lease or rental, the lessor, sublessor, renter or subrenter shall not apply or collect the tax on the subsequent lease, sublease, rental or subrental receipts from that property. The purchase, rental or lease of motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors shall be taxed and the tax paid as provided in this section and section 144.070. event shall the rental or lease of boats and outboard motors be considered a sale, charge, or fee to, for or in places of amusement, entertainment or recreation nor shall any such rental or lease be subject to any tax imposed to, for, or in such places of amusement, entertainment or recreation. Rental and leased boats or outboard motors shall be taxed under the provisions of the sales tax laws as provided under such laws for motor vehicles and trailers. personal property which is exempt from the sales or use tax under section 144.030 upon a sale thereof is likewise exempt from the sales or use tax upon the lease or rental thereof;

- (9) A tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase price, as defined in section 144.070, of new and used motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state which are required to be registered under the laws of the state of Missouri. This tax is imposed on the person titling such property, and shall be paid according to the procedures in section 144.440.
- 2. All tickets sold which are sold under the provisions of [sections 144.010 to 144.525] this chapter which are subject to the sales tax shall have printed, stamped or otherwise endorsed thereon, the words "This ticket is subject to a sales tax.".

144.049. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

- intended to be worn on or about the human body including, but not limited to, disposable diapers for infants or adults and footwear. The term shall include, but not be limited to, cloth and other material used to make school uniforms or other school clothing. Items normally sold in pairs shall not be separated to qualify for the exemption. The term shall not include watches, watchbands, jewelry, handbags, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, scarves, ties, headbands, or belt buckles; and
- (2) "Personal computers", a laptop, desktop, or tower computer system which consists of a central processing unit, random access memory, a storage drive, a display monitor, and a keyboard and devices designed for use in conjunction with a personal computer, such as a disk drive, memory module, compact disk drive, daughterboard, digitizer, microphone, modem, motherboard, mouse, multimedia speaker,

printer, scanner, single-user hardware, single-user operating system, soundcard, or video card;

- students in a standard classroom for educational purposes, including but not limited to textbooks, notebooks, paper, writing instruments, crayons, art supplies, rulers, book bags, backpacks, handheld calculators, chalk, maps, and globes. The term shall not include watches, radios, CD players, headphones, sporting equipment, portable or desktop telephones, copiers or other office equipment, furniture, or fixtures. School supplies shall also include computer software having a taxable value of three hundred fifty dollars or less and any graphing calculator having a taxable value of one hundred fifty dollars or less.
- In each year beginning on or after January 1, 2005, there is hereby specifically exempted from state and local sales tax law all retail sales of any article of clothing having a taxable value of one hundred dollars or less, all retail sales of school supplies not to exceed fifty dollars per purchase, all computer software with a taxable value of three hundred fifty dollars or less, all graphing calculators having a taxable value of one hundred fifty dollars or less, and all retail sales of personal computers or computer peripheral devices not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars, during a three-day period beginning at 12:01 a.m. on the first Friday in August and ending at midnight on the Sunday following. Where a purchaser and seller are located in two different time zones, the time zone of the seller's location shall determine the authorized exemption period.
- 3. [If the governing body of any political subdivision adopted an ordinance that applied to the 2004 sales tax holiday to prohibit the provisions of this section from

allowing the sales tax holiday to apply to such political subdivision's local sales tax, then, notwithstanding any provision of a local ordinance to the contrary, the 2005 sales tax holiday shall not apply to such political subdivision's local sales tax. However, any such political subdivision may enact an ordinance to allow the 2005 sales tax holiday to apply to its local sales taxes. A political subdivision must notify the department of revenue not less than forty-five calendar days prior to the beginning date of the sales tax holiday occurring in that year of any ordinance or order rescinding an ordinance or order to opt out.

- 4.] This section shall not apply to any sales which take place within the Missouri state fairgrounds.
- [5.]  $\underline{4.}$  This section applies to sales of items bought for personal use only.
- [6. After the 2005 sales tax holiday, any political subdivision may, by adopting an ordinance or order, choose to prohibit future annual sales tax holidays from applying to its local sales tax. After opting out, the political subdivision may rescind the ordinance or order. The political subdivision must notify the department of revenue not less than forty-five calendar days prior to the beginning date of the sales tax holiday occurring in that year of any ordinance or order rescinding an ordinance or order to opt out.
- 7.] 5. This section may not apply to any retailer when less than two percent of the retailer's merchandise offered for sale qualifies for the sales tax holiday. The retailer [shall] may offer a sales tax refund in lieu of the sales tax holiday.
- 6. A sale of property which is eligible for an exemption under subsection 1 of this section but is

purchased under a layaway sale shall only qualify for an exemption if:

- (1) Final payment on a layaway order is made by, and the property is given to, the purchaser during the exemption period; or
- (2) The purchaser selects the property and the seller accepts the order for the property during the exemption period, for immediate delivery upon full payment, even if delivery is made after the exemption period.
- 7. The exemption of a bundled transaction shall be calculated as provided by law for all other bundled transactions.
- 8. (1) For any discount offered by a seller that is a reduction of the sales price of the product, the discounted sales price shall determine whether the sales price falls below the price threshold provided in subsection 1 of this section. A coupon that reduces the sales price shall be treated as a discount only if the seller is not reimbursed for the coupon amount by a third party.
- (2) If a discount applies to the total amount paid by a purchaser rather than to the sales price of a particular product and the purchaser has purchased both exempt property and taxable property, the seller shall allocate the discount based on the total sales prices of the taxable property compared to the total sales prices of all property sold in the same transaction.
- 9. Items that are normally sold as a single unit shall continue to be sold in that manner and shall not be priced separately and sold as individual items.
- 10. Items that are purchased during an exemption period but that are not delivered to the purchaser until after the exemption period due to the item not being in stock shall qualify for an exemption. The provisions of

this subsection shall not apply to an item that was delivered during an exemption period but was purchased prior to or after the exemption period.

- 11. (1) If a purchaser purchases an item of eligible property during an exemption period, but later exchanges the item for a similar eligible item after the exemption period, no additional tax shall be due on the new item.
- (2) If a purchaser purchases an item of eligible property during an exemption period, but later returns the item after the exemption period and receives credit on the purchase of a different nonexempt item, the appropriate sales tax shall be due on the sale of the newly purchased item.
- (3) If a purchaser purchases an item of eligible property before an exemption period, but during the exemption period returns the item and receives credit on the purchase of a different item of eligible property, no sales tax shall be due on the sale of the new item if the new item is purchased during the exemption period.
- end of the exemption period, if a purchaser returns an exempt item, no credit for or refund of sales tax shall be given unless the purchaser provides a receipt or invoice that shows tax was paid, or the seller has sufficient documentation to show that tax was paid on the item being returned.
- 144.054. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- (1) "Processing", any mode of treatment, act, or series of acts performed upon materials to transform or reduce them to a different state or thing, including treatment necessary to maintain or preserve such processing by the producer at the production facility;

- (2) "Producing" includes, but is not limited to, the production of, including the production and transmission of, telecommunication services;
- (3) "Product" includes, but is not limited to, telecommunications services;
- (4) "Recovered materials", those materials which have been diverted or removed from the solid waste stream for sale, use, reuse, or recycling, whether or not they require subsequent separation and processing.
- 2. In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085 and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, electrical energy and gas, whether natural, artificial, or propane, water, coal, and energy sources, chemicals, machinery, equipment, and materials used or consumed in the manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, or producing of any product, or used or consumed in the processing of recovered materials, or used in research and development related to manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, or producing any product. [The exemptions granted in this subsection shall not apply to local sales taxes as defined in section 32.085 and the provisions of this subsection shall be in addition to any state and local sales tax exemption provided in section 144.030.] The construction and application of this subsection as expressed by the Missouri supreme court in DST Systems, Inc. v. Director of Revenue, 43 S.W.3d 799 (Mo. banc 2001); Southwestern Bell

- Tel. Co. v. Director of Revenue, 78 S.W.3d 763 (Mo. banc 2002); and Southwestern Bell Tel. Co. v. Director of Revenue, 182 S.W.3d 226 (Mo. banc 2005), is hereby affirmed.
- In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235,] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235,] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, all utilities, machinery, and equipment used or consumed directly in television or radio broadcasting and all sales and purchases of tangible personal property, utilities, services, or any other transaction that would otherwise be subject to the state or local sales or use tax when such sales are made to or purchases are made by a contractor for use in fulfillment of any obligation under a defense contract with the United States government, and all sales and leases of tangible personal property by any county, city, incorporated town, or village, provided such sale or lease is authorized under chapter 100, and such transaction is certified for sales tax exemption by the department of economic development, and tangible personal property used for railroad infrastructure brought into this state for processing, fabrication, or other modification for use outside the state in the regular course of business.
- 4. In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235,] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, and from the

[sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235,] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, all sales and purchases of tangible personal property, utilities, services, or any other transaction that would otherwise be subject to the state or local sales or use tax when such sales are made to or purchases are made by a private partner for use in completing a project under sections 227.600 to 227.669.

5. In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235,] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under [sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235,] this chapter and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, all materials, manufactured goods, machinery and parts, electrical energy and gas, whether natural, artificial or propane, water, coal and other energy sources, chemicals, soaps, detergents, cleaning and sanitizing agents, and other ingredients and materials inserted by commercial or industrial laundries to treat, clean, and sanitize textiles in facilities which process at least five hundred pounds of textiles per hour and at least sixty thousand pounds per week.

144.060. 1. It shall be the duty of every person making any purchase or receiving any service upon which a tax is imposed by sections 144.010 to 144.510 to pay, to the extent possible under the provisions of section 144.285, the amount of such tax to the person making such sale or rendering such service. Any person who shall willfully and intentionally refuse to pay such tax shall be guilty of a

misdemeanor. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person making any purchase or sale of a motor vehicle subject to sales tax as provided by the Missouri sales tax law, unless such person making the sale is a motor vehicle dealer authorized to collect and remit sales tax pursuant to subsection 10 of section 144.070.

- 2. A purchaser shall be relieved from any additional tax, interest, additions, or penalties for failure to collect and remit the proper amount of tax owed on a purchase subject to sales tax under this chapter if:
- (1) A purchaser's seller or a certified service

  provider relied on erroneous data provided by the director
  on tax rates, boundaries, taxing jurisdiction assignments,
  or in the taxability matrix created pursuant to section

  144.638;
- (2) A purchaser using a database created pursuant to section 144.637 received erroneous data provided by the director on tax rates, boundaries, or taxing jurisdiction assignments; or
- (3) A purchaser relied on erroneous data provided by the director in the taxability matrix created pursuant to section 144.638.
- 144.080. 1. Every person receiving any payment or consideration upon the sale of property or rendering of service, subject to the tax imposed by the provisions of sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527, is exercising the taxable privilege of selling the property or rendering the service at retail and is subject to the tax levied in section 144.020. The person shall be responsible not only for the collection of the amount of the tax imposed on the sale or service to the extent possible under the provisions of section 144.285, but shall, on or before the last day of the month following each calendar quarterly period of three

months, file a return with the director of revenue showing the person's gross receipts and the amount of tax levied in section 144.020 for the preceding quarter, and shall remit to the director of revenue, with the return, the taxes levied in section 144.020, except as provided in subsections 2 and 3 of this section. The director of revenue may promulgate rules or regulations changing the filing and payment requirements of sellers, but shall not require any seller to file and pay more frequently than required in this section.

- 2. (1) Where the aggregate amount levied and imposed upon a seller by section 144.020 is in excess of two hundred fifty dollars for either the first or second month of a calendar quarter, the seller shall file a return and pay such aggregate amount for such months to the director of revenue by the twentieth day of the succeeding month.
- (2) Beginning January 1, 2022, where the aggregate amount levied and imposed upon a seller by section 144.020 is in excess of two hundred fifty dollars for either the first or second month of a calendar quarter, the seller shall file a return and pay such aggregate amount for such months to the director of revenue on or before the last day of the succeeding month.
- 3. Where the aggregate amount levied and imposed upon a seller by section 144.020 is less than forty-five dollars in a calendar quarter, the director of revenue shall by regulation permit the seller to file a return for a calendar year. The return shall be filed and the taxes paid on or before January thirty-first of the succeeding year.
- 4. The seller of any property or person rendering any service, subject to the tax imposed by sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527, shall collect the tax from the purchaser of such property or the recipient of the service to the

extent possible under the provisions of section 144.285, but the seller's inability to collect any part or all of the tax does not relieve the seller of the obligation to pay to the state the tax imposed by section 144.020; except that the collection of the tax imposed by sections 144.010 to [144.525] 144.527 on motor vehicles and trailers shall be made as provided in sections 144.070 and 144.440.

- 5. Any person may advertise or hold out or state to the public or to any customer directly that the tax or any part thereof imposed by sections 144.010 to [144.525]

  144.527, and required to be collected by the person, will be assumed or absorbed by the person, provided that the amount of tax assumed or absorbed shall be stated on any invoice or receipt for the property sold or service rendered. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. This subsection shall not apply to any retailer prohibited from collecting and remitting sales tax under section 66.630.
- 144.140. <u>1.</u> From every remittance to the director of revenue made on or before the date when the same becomes due, the person required to remit the same shall be entitled to deduct and retain an amount equal to two percent thereof.
- 2. The director shall provide a monetary allowance from the taxes collected to a certified service provider under the terms of the certified service contract signed with the provider, provided that such allowance shall be funded entirely from money collected by the certified service provider.
- 3. Any certified service provider receiving an allowance under subsection 2 of this section shall not be entitled to simultaneously deduct the allowance provided for under subsection 1 of this section.

- 4. For the purposes of this section, "certified service provider" shall mean an agent certified by the department of revenue to perform all the seller's sales and use tax functions, other than the seller's obligation to remit tax on its own purchases.
- 144.526. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Show Me Green Sales Tax Holiday".
- 2. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
- (1) "Appliance", clothes washers and dryers, water heaters, trash compactors, dishwashers, conventional ovens, ranges, stoves, air conditioners, furnaces, refrigerators and freezers; and
- (2) "Energy star certified", any appliance approved by both the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of Energy as eligible to display the energy star label, as amended from time to time.
- 3. In each year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, there is hereby specifically exempted from state sales tax law and all local sales and use taxes all retail sales of any energy star certified new appliance, up to one thousand five hundred dollars per appliance[,] during a seven-day period beginning at 12:01 a.m. on April nineteenth and ending at midnight on April twenty-fifth. Where a purchaser and seller are located in two different time zones, the time zone of the seller's location shall determine the authorized exemption period.
- 4. [A political subdivision may allow the sales tax holiday under this section to apply to its local sales taxes by enacting an ordinance to that effect. Any such political subdivision shall notify the department of revenue not less than forty-five calendar days prior to the beginning date of

the sales tax holiday occurring in that year of any such ordinance or order.

- 5. This section may not apply to any retailer when less than two percent of the retailer's merchandise offered for sale qualifies for the sales tax holiday. The retailer shall offer a sales tax refund in lieu of the sales tax holiday. A sale of property which is eligible for an exemption under subsection 1 of this section but is purchased under a layaway sale shall only qualify for an exemption if:
- (1) Final payment on a layaway order is made by, and the property is given to, the purchaser during the exemption period; or
- (2) The purchaser selects the property and the seller accepts the order for the property during the exemption period, for immediate delivery upon full payment, even if delivery is made after the exemption period.
- 5. (1) For any discount offered by a seller that is a reduction of the sales price of the product, the discounted sales price shall determine whether the sales price falls below the price threshold provided in subsection 1 of this section. A coupon that reduces the sales price shall be treated as a discount only if the seller is not reimbursed for the coupon amount by a third party.
- (2) If a discount applies to the total amount paid by a purchaser rather than to the sales price of a particular product and the purchaser has purchased both exempt property and taxable property, the seller shall allocate the discount based on the total sales prices of the taxable property compared to the total sales prices of all property sold in the same transaction.

- 6. Items that are normally sold as a single unit shall continue to be sold in that manner and shall not be priced separately and sold as individual items.
- 7. Items that are purchased during an exemption period but that are not delivered to the purchaser until after the exemption period due to the item not being in stock shall qualify for an exemption. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to an item that was delivered during an exemption period but was purchased prior to or after the exemption period.
- 8. (1) If a purchaser purchases an item of eligible property during an exemption period, but later exchanges the item for a similar eligible item after the exemption period, no additional tax shall be due on the new item.
- (2) If a purchaser purchases an item of eligible property during an exemption period, but later returns the item after the exemption period and receives credit on the purchase of a different nonexempt item, the appropriate sales tax shall be due on the sale of the newly purchased item.
- (3) If a purchaser purchases an item of eligible property before an exemption period, but during the exemption period returns the item and receives credit on the purchase of a different item of eligible property, no sales tax shall be due on the sale of the new item is purchased during the exemption period.
- end of the exemption period, if a purchaser returns an exempt item no credit for or refund of sales tax shall be given unless the purchaser provides a receipt or invoice that shows tax was paid, or the seller has sufficient documentation to show that tax was paid on the item being returned.

- 144.605. The following words and phrases as used in sections 144.600 to 144.745 mean and include:
- (1) "Calendar quarter", the period of three consecutive calendar months ending on March thirty-first, June thirtieth, September thirtieth or December thirty-first;
- (2) "Certified service provider" or "CSP", an agent certified by the department of revenue to perform all the seller's sales and use tax functions, other than the seller's obligation to remit tax on its own purchases;
- (3) "Engages in business activities within this state"
  includes:
- (a) Maintaining or having a franchisee or licensee operating under the seller's trade name in this state if the franchisee or licensee is required to collect sales tax pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525;
- (b) Soliciting sales or taking orders by sales agents or traveling representatives;
- (c) A vendor is presumed to engage in business activities within this state if any person, other than a common carrier acting in its capacity as such, that has substantial nexus with this state:
- a. Sells a similar line of products as the vendor and does so under the same or a similar business name;
- b. Maintains an office, distribution facility, warehouse, or storage place, or similar place of business in the state to facilitate the delivery of property or services sold by the vendor to the vendor's customers;
- c. Delivers, installs, assembles, or performs maintenance services for the vendor's customers within the state;
- d. Facilitates the vendor's delivery of property to customers in the state by allowing the vendor's customers to pick up property sold by the vendor at an office,

distribution facility, warehouse, storage place, or similar place of business maintained by the person in the state; or

- e. Conducts any other activities in the state that are significantly associated with the vendor's ability to establish and maintain a market in the state for the sales;
- (d) The presumption in paragraph (c) of this subdivision may be rebutted by demonstrating that the person's activities in the state are not significantly associated with the vendor's ability to establish or maintain a market in this state for the vendor's sales;
- (e) [Notwithstanding paragraph (c), a vendor shall be presumed to engage in business activities within this state if the vendor enters into an agreement with one or more residents of this state under which the resident, for a commission or other consideration, directly or indirectly refers potential customers, whether by a link on an internet website, an in-person oral presentation, telemarketing, or otherwise, to the vendor, if the cumulative gross receipts from sales by the vendor to customers in the state who are referred to the vendor by all residents with this type of an agreement with the vendor is in excess of ten thousand dollars during the preceding twelve months;
- (f) The presumption in paragraph (e) may be rebutted by submitting proof that the residents with whom the vendor has an agreement did not engage in any activity within the state that was significantly associated with the vendor's ability to establish or maintain the vendor's market in the state during the preceding twelve months. Such proof may consist of sworn written statements from all of the residents with whom the vendor has an agreement stating that they did not engage in any solicitation in the state on behalf of the vendor during the preceding year provided that such statements were provided and obtained in good faith]

Selling tangible personal property for delivery into this state provided the seller's gross receipts from delivery of tangible personal property into this state in the previous calendar year or current calendar year exceeds one hundred thousand dollars. For the purposes of calculating a seller's gross receipts under this paragraph, following the close of each calendar quarter, a vendor shall determine whether the vendor met the requirements under this paragraph during the twelve-month period ending on the last day of the preceding calendar quarter. If the vendor met such requirements for any such twelve-month period, such vendor shall collect and remit the tax as provided under section 144.635 for a period of not less than twelve months, beginning not more than three months following the close of the preceding calendar quarter, and shall continue to collect and remit the tax for as long as the vendor is engaged in business activities within this state, as provided for under this paragraph, or otherwise maintains a substantial nexus with this state;

- [(3)] (4) "Maintains a place of business in this state" includes maintaining, occupying, or using, permanently or temporarily, directly or indirectly, by whatever name called, an office, place of distribution, sales or sample room or place, warehouse or storage place, or other place of business in this state, whether owned or operated by the vendor or by any other person other than a common carrier acting in its capacity as such;
- [(4)] (5) "Person", any individual, firm, copartnership, joint venture, association, corporation, municipal or private, and whether organized for profit or not, state, county, political subdivision, state department, commission, board, bureau or agency, except the state transportation department, estate, trust, business trust,

receiver or trustee appointed by the state or federal court, syndicate, or any other group or combination acting as a unit, and the plural as well as the singular number;

- [(5)] (6) "Purchase", the acquisition of the ownership of, or title to, tangible personal property, through a sale, as defined herein, for the purpose of storage, use or consumption in this state;
- [(6)] (7) "Purchaser", any person who is the recipient for a valuable consideration of any sale of tangible personal property acquired for use, storage or consumption in this state;
- [(7)] (8) "Sale", any transfer, barter or exchange of the title or ownership of tangible personal property, or the right to use, store or consume the same, for a consideration paid or to be paid, and any transaction whether called leases, rentals, bailments, loans, conditional sales or otherwise, and notwithstanding that the title or possession of the property or both is retained for security. For the purpose of this law the place of delivery of the property to the purchaser, user, storer or consumer is deemed to be the place of sale, whether the delivery be by the vendor or by common carriers, private contractors, mails, express, agents, salesmen, solicitors, hawkers, representatives, consignors, peddlers, canvassers or otherwise;
- [(8)] (9) "Sales price", the consideration including the charges for services, except charges incident to the extension of credit, paid or given, or contracted to be paid or given, by the purchaser to the vendor for the tangible personal property, including any services that are a part of the sale, valued in money, whether paid in money or otherwise, and any amount for which credit is given to the purchaser by the vendor, without any deduction therefrom on account of the cost of the property sold, the cost of

materials used, labor or service cost, losses or any other expenses whatsoever, except that cash discounts allowed and taken on sales shall not be included and "sales price" shall not include the amount charged for property returned by customers upon rescission of the contract of sales when the entire amount charged therefor is refunded either in cash or credit or the amount charged for labor or services rendered in installing or applying the property sold, the use, storage or consumption of which is taxable pursuant to sections 144.600 to 144.745. The sales price shall not include usual and customary delivery charges that are separately stated. In determining the amount of tax due pursuant to sections 144.600 to 144.745, any charge incident to the extension of credit shall be specifically exempted;

- [(9)] (10) "Selling agent", every person acting as a representative of a principal, when such principal is not registered with the director of revenue of the state of Missouri for the collection of the taxes imposed pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525 or sections 144.600 to 144.745 and who receives compensation by reason of the sale of tangible personal property of the principal, if such property is to be stored, used, or consumed in this state;
- [(10)] (11) "Storage", any keeping or retention in this state of tangible personal property purchased from a vendor, except property for sale or property that is temporarily kept or retained in this state for subsequent use outside the state;
- [(11)] (12) "Tangible personal property", all items subject to the Missouri sales tax as provided in subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection 1 of section 144.020;
- [(12)] (13) "Taxpayer", any person remitting the tax or who should remit the tax levied by sections 144.600 to 144.745;

- [(13)] (14) "Use", the exercise of any right or power over tangible personal property incident to the ownership or control of that property, except that it does not include the temporary storage of property in this state for subsequent use outside the state, or the sale of the property in the regular course of business;
- [(14)] (15) "Vendor", every person engaged in making sales of tangible personal property by mail order, by advertising, by agent or peddling tangible personal property, soliciting or taking orders for sales of tangible personal property, for storage, use or consumption in this state, all salesmen, solicitors, hawkers, representatives, consignees, peddlers or canvassers, as agents of the dealers, distributors, consignors, supervisors, principals or employers under whom they operate or from whom they obtain the tangible personal property sold by them, and every person who maintains a place of business in this state, maintains a stock of goods in this state, or engages in business activities within this state and every person who engages in this state in the business of acting as a selling agent for persons not otherwise vendors as defined in this subdivision. Irrespective of whether they are making sales on their own behalf or on behalf of the dealers, distributors, consignors, supervisors, principals or employers, they must be regarded as vendors and the dealers, distributors, consignors, supervisors, principals or employers must be regarded as vendors for the purposes of sections 144.600 to 144.745.
- 144.608. 1. For the purpose of more efficiently securing the payment of and accounting for the tax collected and remitted by retailers and vendors, the department is hereby authorized:

- (1) To consult, contract, and work jointly with the streamlined sales and use tax agreement's governing board to allow sellers to use the governing board's certified service providers and central registration system services; or
- (2) To consult, contract, and work with certified service providers independently. The department is authorized to determine the method and amount of compensation to be provided to certified service providers by this state for the services of such certified service providers to certain sellers, provided that no certified service provider or seller utilizing a certified service provider shall be entitled to the deduction provided in subsection 1 of section 144.140.
- 2. The director of revenue shall make, promulgate, and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter relating to the collection and remittance of sales and use tax by certified service providers. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after January 1, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
- 144.637. 1. The director of revenue shall provide and maintain a database that describes boundary changes for all taxing jurisdictions and the effective dates of such changes

for the use of vendors collecting the tax imposed under sections 144.600 to 144.745.

- 2. For the identification of counties and cities, codes corresponding to the rates shall be provided according to Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) as developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology. For the identification of all other jurisdictions, codes corresponding to the rates shall be in a format determined by the director.
- The director shall provide and maintain addressbased boundary database records for assigning taxing jurisdictions and associated rates. The database records shall meet the requirements developed pursuant to the federal Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, 4 U.S.C. Section 119(a). If a vendor is unable to determine the applicable rate and jurisdiction using an address-based database record after exercising due diligence, the vendor may apply the nine-digit zip code designation applicable to a purchase. If a nine-digit zip code designation is not available for a street address or if a vendor is unable to determine the nine-digit zip code designation applicable to a purchase after exercising due diligence to determine the designation, the vendor may apply the rate for the fivedigit zip code area. For the purposes of this section, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that a vendor has exercised due diligence if the vendor has attempted to determine the tax rate and jurisdiction by utilizing software approved by the director and makes the assignment from the address and zip code information applicable to the purchase. The databases shall be in the same approved format as the database records under this section and meet the requirements developed pursuant to the federal Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, 4 U.S.C. Section 119(a).

If the director certifies an address-based database provided by a third party, a vendor may use such database in place of the database provided for in this subsection.

- 4. The electronic database provided for in subsections

  1, 2, and 3 of this section shall be in a downloadable

  format as determined by the director. The database may be

  directly provided by the director or provided by a third

  party as designated by the director. The database provided

  by the director shall be provided at no cost to the user of

  the database. The provisions of subsection 3 of this

  section shall not apply if the purchased product is received

  by the purchaser at the business location of the vendor.
- 5. No vendor shall be liable for reliance upon erroneous data provided by the director on tax rates, boundaries, or taxing jurisdiction assignments.
- 144.638. 1. The director shall provide and maintain a taxability matrix. The state's entries in the matrix shall be provided and maintained by the director in a database that is in a downloadable format.
- 2. The director shall provide reasonable notice of changes in the taxability of the products or services listed in the taxability matrix.
- 3. A seller or CSP shall be relieved from liability to this state or any local taxing jurisdiction for having charged and collected the incorrect amount of state or local sales or use tax resulting from such seller's or CSP's reliance upon erroneous data provided or approved by the director in the taxability matrix, and a seller shall be relieved from liability for erroneous returns made by a CSP on behalf of the seller.
- 144.710. [From every remittance made by a vendor as required by sections 144.600 to 144.745 to the director of revenue on or before the date when the remittance becomes

due, the vendor may deduct and retain an amount equal to two percent thereof.] The provisions of section 144.140 relating to the allowance for timely remittance of payment shall be applicable to the tax levied under sections 144.600 to 144.745.

- 144.752. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:
  - (1) "Marketplace facilitator", a person that:
- (a) Facilitates a retail sale by a marketplace seller by listing or advertising for sale by the marketplace seller in any forum, tangible personal property or services that are subject to tax under this chapter; and
- (b) Either directly or indirectly through agreements or arrangements with third parties collects payment from the purchaser and transmits all or part of the payment to the marketplace seller.

A marketplace facilitator is a seller and shall comply with the provisions of this chapter. A marketplace facilitator does not include a person who provides internet advertising services, or product listing, and does not collect payment from the purchaser and transmit payment to the marketplace seller, and does not include a person with respect to the provision of travel agency services or the operation of a marketplace or that portion of a marketplace that enables consumers to receive travel agency services. For the purposes of this subdivision, "travel agency services" means facilitating, for a commission, fee, or other consideration, vacation or travel packages, rental car or other travel reservations, tickets for domestic or foreign travel by air, rail, ship, bus, or other medium of transportation, or hotel or other lodging accommodations;

- (2) "Marketplace seller", a seller that makes sales through any electronic marketplace operated by a marketplace facilitator;
- (3) "Person", any individual, firm, copartnership,
  joint venture, association, corporation, municipal or
  private, whether organized for profit or not, state, county,
  political subdivision, state department, commission, board,
  bureau or agency, except the department of transportation,
  estate, trust, business trust, receiver or trustee appointed
  by the state or federal court, syndicate, or any other group
  or combination acting as a unit;
- (4) "Purchaser", any person who is the recipient for a valuable consideration of any sale of tangible personal property acquired for use, storage, or consumption in this state;
- (5) "Retail sale", the same meaning as defined under sections 144.010 and 144.011, excluding motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state and subject to tax under subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.020;
- (6) "Seller", a person selling or furnishing tangible personal property or rendering services on the receipts from which a tax is imposed under section 144.020.
- 2. (1) Beginning January 1, 2023, marketplace
  facilitators that engage in business activities within this
  state shall register with the department to collect and
  remit use tax, as applicable, on sales made through the
  marketplace facilitator's marketplace by or on behalf of a
  marketplace seller that are delivered into the state,
  whether by the marketplace facilitator or another person,
  and regardless of whether the marketplace seller for whom
  sales are facilitated possesses a retail sales license or

would have been required to collect use tax had the sale not been facilitated by the marketplace facilitator. Such retail sales shall include those made directly by the marketplace facilitator and shall also include those retail sales made by marketplace sellers through the marketplace facilitator's marketplace. The collection and reporting requirements of this subsection shall not apply to retail sales other than those made through a marketplace facilitator's marketplace. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or prohibit the ability of a marketplace facilitator and a marketplace seller to enter into agreements regarding the fulfillment of the requirements of this chapter.

- (2) All taxable sales made through a marketplace facilitator's marketplace by or on behalf of a marketplace seller shall be deemed to be consummated at the location in this state to which the item is shipped or delivered, or at which possession is taken by the purchaser.
- 3. Marketplace facilitators that are required to collect use tax under this section shall report and remit the tax separately from any sales and use tax collected by the marketplace facilitator, or by affiliates of the marketplace facilitator, which the marketplace facilitator would have been required to collect and remit under the provisions of this chapter prior to January 1, 2023. Such tax shall be reported and remitted as determined by the department. Marketplace facilitators shall maintain records of all sales delivered to a location in the state, including electronic or paper copies of invoices showing the purchaser, address, purchase amount, and use tax collected. Such records shall be made available for review and inspection upon request by the department.

- 4. Marketplace facilitators who properly collect and remit to the department in a timely manner use tax on sales in accordance with the provisions of this section by or on behalf of marketplace sellers shall be eligible for any discount provided under this chapter.
- 5. A marketplace facilitator shall separately state on an invoice provided to a purchaser the use tax collected and remitted on behalf of a marketplace seller.
- 6. Any taxpayer who remits use tax under this section shall be entitled to refunds or credits to the same extent and in the same manner provided for in section 144.190 for taxes collected and remitted under this section. Nothing in this section shall relieve a purchaser of the obligation to remit use tax for any retail sale taxable under this chapter for which a marketplace facilitator or marketplace seller does not collect and remit the use tax.
- 7. Except as provided under subsections 8 and 9 of this section, marketplace facilitators shall be subject to the penalty provisions, procedures, and reporting requirements provided under the provisions of this chapter.
- 8. No class action shall be brought against a marketplace facilitator in any court in this state on behalf of purchasers arising from or in any way related to an overpayment of use tax collected on retail sales facilitated by a marketplace facilitator, regardless of whether that claim is characterized as a tax refund claim. Nothing in this subsection shall affect a purchaser's right to seek a refund as provided under section 144.190.
- 9. (1) A marketplace facilitator shall be relieved

  from liability under this section for the failure to collect
  and remit the correct amount of use tax on retail sales
  facilitated for marketplace sellers under the following
  circumstances:

- (a) To the extent that the marketplace facilitator

  demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that the

  error was due to insufficient or incorrect information given

  to the marketplace facilitator by the marketplace seller;

  provided, however, that a marketplace facilitator shall not

  be relieved of liability under this paragraph if the

  marketplace facilitator and the marketplace seller are

  affiliated;
- (b) To the extent that the marketplace facilitator demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that:
- a. The marketplace facilitator is not the seller and that the marketplace facilitator and marketplace seller are not affiliated;
- b. The retail sale was facilitated for a marketplace seller through a marketplace operated by the marketplace facilitator; and
- c. The failure to collect and remit the correct amount of use tax was due to an error other than an error in sourcing the sale under the provisions of this chapter.
- (2) The relief from liability provided under subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not exceed the following percentage of the total use tax due on retail sales facilitated by a marketplace facilitator for marketplace sellers and sourced to this state during a calendar year, which such retail sales shall not include retail sales made directly by the marketplace facilitator or affiliates of the marketplace facilitator:
- (a) For retail sales made or facilitated during the 2023 calendar year, four percent;
- (b) For retail sales made or facilitated during the 2024 calendar year, two percent;
- (c) For retail sales made or facilitated during the 2025 calendar year, one percent; and

- (d) For retail sales made or facilitated for all years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, zero percent.
- (3) To the extent that a marketplace facilitator is relieved of liability for the collection of use tax under this subsection, the marketplace seller for whom the marketplace facilitator has made or facilitated the sale shall also be relieved of liability under this subsection.
- (4) The department shall determine the manner in which a marketplace facilitator or marketplace seller shall apply for and claim the relief from liability provided for under this subsection.
- 10. For the purposes of this section, a marketplace facilitator shall not include a third party financial institution appointed by a merchant or a marketplace facilitator to handle various forms of payment transactions, such as processing credit cards and debit cards, and whose sole activity with respect to marketplace sales is to facilitate the payment transactions between two parties.
- 11. The state general revenue portion from remittances made pursuant to this section, with the exception of revenues collected pursuant to section 144.701 and Article IV, Sections 43(a) and 47(a) of the Missouri Constitution, shall be deposited to the credit of the cash operating expense fund established pursuant to section 33.575.
- 12. The department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay

the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after January 1, 2023, shall be invalid and void.

144.757. 1. Any county or municipality[, except municipalities within a county having a charter form of government with a population in excess of nine hundred thousand, ] may, by a majority vote of its governing body, impose a local use tax if a local sales tax is imposed as defined in section 32.085 or if a sales tax is imposed pursuant to section 94.850 or 94.890, with such local use tax imposed at a rate equal to the rate of the local sales tax [in effect in] and any sales tax imposed pursuant to section 94.850 or 94.890 by such county or municipality; provided, however, that no ordinance or order enacted pursuant to sections 144.757 to 144.761 shall be effective unless the governing body of the county or municipality submits to the voters thereof at a municipal, county or state general, primary or special election a proposal to authorize the governing body of the county or municipality to impose a local use tax pursuant to sections 144.757 to 144.761. [Municipalities within a county having a charter form of government with a population in excess of nine hundred thousand may, upon voter approval received pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of this section, impose a local use tax at the same rate as the local municipal sales tax with the revenues from all such municipal use taxes to be distributed pursuant to subsection 4 of section 94.890. The municipality shall within thirty days of the approval of the use tax imposed pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of this section select one of the distribution options permitted in

subsection 4 of section 94.890 for distribution of all municipal use taxes.

2.] (1) The ballot of submission[, except for counties and municipalities described in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection,] shall contain substantially the following language:

Shall the \_\_\_\_\_ (county or municipality's name) impose a local use tax at the same rate as the total local sales tax rate, [currently \_\_\_\_\_ (insert percent),] provided that if the local sales tax rate is reduced or raised by voter approval, the local use tax rate shall also be reduced or raised by the same action? [A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out-of-state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.] Approval of this question will eliminate the disparity in tax rates collected by local and out-of-state sellers by imposing the same rate on all sellers.

□ YES □ NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

(2) [(a) The ballot of submission in a county having a charter form of government with a population in excess of nine hundred thousand shall contain substantially the following language:

For the purposes of enhancing county and municipal public safety, parks, and job creation and enhancing local government services, shall the county be authorized to collect a local use tax equal to the total of the existing county sales tax rate of (insert tax rate), provided that if the county sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised by voter approval, the local use tax rate shall also be repealed,

reduced or raised by the same voter action? Fifty percent of the revenue shall be used by the county throughout the county for improving and enhancing public safety, park improvements, and job creation, and fifty percent shall be used for enhancing local government services. The county shall be required to make available to the public an audited comprehensive financial report detailing the management and use of the countywide portion of the funds each year.

A use tax is the equivalent of a sales tax on purchases from out-of-state sellers by in-state buyers and on certain taxable business transactions. A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out-of-state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.

□ YES □ NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

(b) The ballot of submission in a municipality within a county having a charter form of government with a population in excess of nine hundred thousand shall contain substantially the following language:

Shall the municipality be authorized to impose a local use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax by a vote of the governing body, provided that if any local sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised by voter approval, the respective local use tax shall also be repealed, reduced or raised by the same action? A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out-of-state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.

 $\square$  YES  $\square$  NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

(3) The ballot of submission in any city not within a county shall contain substantially the following language:

Shall the \_\_\_\_\_ (city name) impose a local use tax at the same rate as the local sales tax, [currently at a rate of \_\_\_\_\_ (insert percent)] which includes the capital improvements sales tax and the transportation tax, provided that if any local sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised by voter approval, the respective local use tax shall also be repealed, reduced or raised by the same action? [A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out-of-state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars in any calendar year.] An\_approval of this question will eliminate the disparity in tax rates collected by local and out-of-state sellers by imposing the same rate on all sellers.

□ YES □ NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

[(4)] 2. If any of such ballots are submitted on August 6, 1996, and if a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the proposal, then the ordinance or order and any amendments thereto shall be in effect October 1, 1996, provided the director of revenue receives notice of adoption of the local use tax on or before August 16, 1996. If any of such ballots are submitted after December 31, 1996, and

if a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the proposal, then the ordinance or order and any amendments thereto shall be in effect on the first day of the calendar quarter which begins at least forty-five days after the director of revenue receives notice of adoption of the local use tax. If a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters voting are opposed to the proposal, then the governing body of the county or municipality shall have no power to impose the local use tax as herein authorized unless and until the governing body of the county or municipality shall again have submitted another proposal to authorize the governing body of the county or municipality to impose the local use tax and such proposal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon.

- 3. The local use tax may be imposed at the same rate as the local sales tax then currently in effect in the county or municipality upon all transactions which are subject to the taxes imposed pursuant to sections 144.600 to 144.745 within the county or municipality adopting such tax; provided, however, that if any local sales tax is repealed or the rate thereof is reduced or raised by voter approval, the local use tax rate shall also be deemed to be repealed, reduced or raised by the same action repealing, reducing or raising the local sales tax.
- 4. For purposes of sections 144.757 to 144.761, the use tax may be referred to or described as the equivalent of a sales tax on purchases made from out-of-state sellers by in-state buyers and on certain intrabusiness transactions. Such a description shall not change the classification, form or subject of the use tax or the manner in which it is collected.

- 144.759. 1. All local use taxes collected by the director of revenue pursuant to sections 144.757 to 144.761 on behalf of any county or municipality, less one percent for cost of collection, which shall be deposited in the state's general revenue fund after payment of premiums for surety bonds as provided in section 32.087 shall be deposited with the state treasurer in a local use tax trust fund, which fund shall be separate and apart from the local sales tax trust funds. The moneys in such local use tax trust fund shall not be deemed to be state funds and shall not be commingled with any funds of the state. The director of revenue shall keep accurate records of the amount of money in the trust fund which was collected in each county or municipality imposing a local use tax, and the records shall be open to the inspection of officers of the county or municipality and to the public. No later than the tenth day of each month, the director of revenue shall distribute all moneys deposited in the trust fund during the preceding month, except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, to the county or municipality treasurer, or such other officer as may be designated by the county or municipality ordinance or order, of each county or municipality imposing the tax authorized by sections 144.757 to 144.761, the sum due the county or municipality as certified by the director of revenue.
- 2. Subject to the provisions of subsection 1 of this section, the director of revenue shall distribute all moneys which would be due any county having a charter form of government and having a population of nine hundred thousand or more to the county treasurer or such other officer as may be designated by county ordinance, who shall distribute [such moneys as follows: the] that portion of the use [tax] taxes imposed by the county [which equals one-half the rate

of sales tax in effect for such county shall be disbursed to the county treasurer for expenditure throughout the county for public safety, parks, and job creation, subject to any qualifications and regulations adopted by ordinance of the county. Such ordinance shall require an audited comprehensive financial report detailing the management and use of such funds each year. Such ordinance shall also require that the county and the municipal league of the county jointly prepare a strategy to guide expenditures of funds and conduct an annual review of the strategy. treasurer or such other officer as may be designated by county ordinance shall distribute one-third of the balance to the county and to each city, town and village in group B according to section 66.620 as modified by this section, a portion of the two-thirds remainder of such balance equal to the percentage ratio that the population of each such city, town or village bears to the total population of all such group B cities, towns and villages. For the purposes of this subsection, population shall be determined by the last federal decennial census or the latest census that determines the total population of the county and all political subdivisions therein. For the purposes of this subsection, each city, town or village in group A according to section 66.620 but whose per capita sales tax receipts during the preceding calendar year pursuant to sections 66.600 to 66.630 were less than the per capita countywide average of all sales tax receipts during the preceding calendar year, shall be treated as a group B city, town or village until the per capita amount distributed to such city, town or village equals the difference between the per capita sales tax receipts during the preceding calendar year and the per capita countywide average of all sales tax receipts during the preceding calendar year] that is equal

to the rate of sales taxes imposed by the county pursuant to sections 66.600 and 67.547 to the cities, towns, and villages within such county and to the unincorporated area of the county on the ratio of the population that each such city, town, village, and the unincorporated areas of the county bears to the total population of the county; provided, however, the county treasurer or other officer shall distribute that portion of the use tax imposed by the county equal to the rate of sales tax imposed by the county pursuant to section 67.547 for the purpose of funding zoological activities and zoological facilities of the zoological park subdistrict of the metropolitan zoological park and museum district as created pursuant to section 184.350.

3. The director of revenue may authorize the state treasurer to make refunds from the amounts in the trust fund and credited to any county or municipality for erroneous payments and overpayments made, and may redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such counties or municipalities. If any county or municipality abolishes the tax, the county or municipality shall notify the director of revenue of the action at least ninety days prior to the effective date of the repeal, and the director of revenue may order retention in the trust fund, for a period of one year, of two percent of the amount collected after receipt of such notice to cover possible refunds or overpayment of the tax and to redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such accounts. After one year has elapsed after the effective date of abolition of the tax in such county or municipality, the director of revenue shall authorize the state treasurer to remit the balance in the account to the county or municipality and close the account of that county or municipality.

director of revenue shall notify each county or municipality of each instance of any amount refunded or any check redeemed from receipts due the county or municipality.

Except as modified in sections 144.757 to 144.761, all provisions of sections 32.085 and 32.087 applicable to the local sales tax, except for subsection 12 of section 32.087, and all provisions of sections 144.600 to 144.745 shall apply to the tax imposed pursuant to sections 144.757 to 144.761, and the director of revenue shall perform all functions incident to the administration, collection, enforcement, and operation of the tax.

[144.1000. Sections 144.1000 to 144.1015 shall be known as and referred to as the "Simplified Sales and Use Tax Administration Act".]

[144.1003. As used in sections 144.1000 to

- 144.1015, the following terms shall mean:
  (1) "Agreement", the streamlined sales and use tax agreement;
- "Certified automated system", software certified jointly by the states that are signatories to the agreement to calculate the tax imposed by each jurisdiction on a transaction, determine the amount of tax to remit to the appropriate state and maintain a record of the transaction;
- "Certified service provider", an agent certified jointly by the states that are signatories to the agreement to perform all of
- the seller's sales tax functions;
  (4) "Person", an individual, trust, estate, fiduciary, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, corporation or any other legal entity;
- (5) "Sales tax", any sales tax levied pursuant to this chapter, section 32.085, or any other sales tax authorized by statute and levied by this state or its political subdivisions;
- "Seller", any person making sales, (6) leases or rentals of personal property or services;
- "State", any state of the United (7) States and the District of Columbia;
- (8) "Use tax", the use tax levied pursuant to this chapter.]

[144.1006. For the purposes of reviewing and, if necessary, amending the agreement embodying the simplification recommendations contained in section 144.1015, the state may

enter into multistate discussions. For purposes of such discussions, the state shall be represented by seven delegates, one of whom shall be appointed by the governor, two members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one member appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, two members appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate and one member appointed by the minority leader of the senate. The delegates need not be members of the general assembly and at least one of the delegates appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one member appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate shall be from the private sector and represent the interests of Missouri businesses. The delegates shall recommend to the committees responsible for reviewing tax issues in the senate and the house of representatives each year any amendment of state statutes required to be substantially in compliance with the agreement. Such delegates shall make a written report by the fifteenth day of January each year regarding the status of the multistate discussions and upon final adoption of the terms of the sales and use tax agreement by the multistate body.]

[144.1009. No provision of the agreement authorized by sections 144.1000 to 144.1015 in whole or in part invalidates or amends any provision of the law of this state.

Implementation of any condition of this agreement in this state, whether adopted before, at, or after membership of this state in the agreement, must be by action of the general assembly. Such report shall be delivered to the governor, the secretary of state, the president pro tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives and shall simultaneously be made publicly available by the secretary of state to any person requesting a copy.]

[144.1012. Unless five of the seven delegates agree, the delegates shall not enter into or vote for any streamlined sales and use tax agreement that:

- (1) Requires adoption of a definition of any term that would cause any item or transaction that is now excluded or exempted from sales or use tax to become subject to sales or use tax;
- (2) Requires the state of Missouri to fully exempt or fully apply sales taxes to the sale of food or any other item;
- (3) Restricts the ability of local governments under statutes in effect on August 28, 2002, to enact one or more local taxes on one or more items without application of the tax

to all sales within the taxing jurisdiction, however, restriction of any such taxes allowed by statutes effective after August 28, 2002, may be supported;

- (4) Provides for adoption of any uniform rate structure that would result in a tax increase for any Missouri taxpayer;
- (5) Affects the sourcing of sales tax transactions; or
- (6) Prohibits limitations or thresholds on the application of sales and use tax rates or prohibits any current sales or use tax exemption in the state of Missouri, including exemptions that are based on the value of the transaction or item.]
- [144.1015. In addition to the requirements of section 144.1012, the delegates should consider the following features when deciding whether or not to enter into any streamlined sales and use tax agreement:
- (1) The agreement should address the limitation of the number of state rates over time;
- (2) The agreement should establish uniform standards for administration of exempt sales and the form used for filing sales and use tax returns and remittances;
- (3) The agreement should require the state to provide a central, electronic registration system that allows a seller to register to collect and remit sales and use taxes for all signatory states;
- (4) The agreement should provide that registration with the central registration system and the collection of sales and use taxes in the signatory states will not be used as a factor in determining whether the seller has nexus with a state for any tax;
- (5) The agreement should provide for reduction of the burdens of complying with local sales and use taxes through the following so long as they do not conflict with the provisions of section 144.1012:
- (a) Restricting variances between the state and local tax bases;
- (b) Requiring states to administer any sales and use taxes levied by local jurisdictions within the state so that sellers collecting and remitting these taxes will not have to register or file returns with, remit funds to, or be subject to independent audits from local taxing jurisdictions;
- (c) Restricting the frequency of changes in the local sales and use tax rates and setting effective dates for the application of local jurisdictional boundary changes to local sales and use taxes; and

- (d) Providing notice of changes in local sales and use tax rates and of changes in the boundaries of local taxing jurisdictions;
- (6) The agreement should outline any monetary allowances that are to be provided by the states to sellers or certified service providers. The agreement must allow for a joint public and private sector study of the compliance cost on sellers and certified service providers to collect sales and use taxes for state and local governments under various levels of complexity to be completed by July 1, 2003;
- (7) The agreement should require each state to certify compliance with the terms of the agreement prior to joining and to maintain compliance, under the laws of the member state, with all provisions of the agreement while a member, only if the agreement and any amendment thereto complies with the provisions of section 144.1012;
- (8) The agreement should require each state to adopt a uniform policy for certified service providers that protects the privacy of consumers and maintains the confidentiality of tax information; and
- (9) The agreement should provide for the appointment of an advisory council of private sector representatives and an advisory council of nonmember state representatives to consult with in the administration of the agreement.]

Section B. Because of the importance of ensuring the fiscal health of the state in an emergency, the enactment of section 33.575 of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and the enactment of section 33.575 of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

Section C. The enactment of sections 144.608, 144.637, 144.638, and 144.752, the repeal and reenactment of sections 32.087, 143.011, 144.011, 144.014, 144.020, 144.049, 144.054, 144.060, 144.140, 144.526, 144.605, 144.710, and 144.759, and the repeal of sections 144.1000, 144.1003, 144.1006, 144.1009, 144.1012, and 144.1015 shall become effective January 1, 2023.