SENATE BILL NO. 1496

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SCHROER.

6002S.01I KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal sections 143.011, 144.014, 144.020, and 144.1021, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to taxation.

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

Section A. Sections 143.011, 144.014, 144.020, and

- 2 144.1021, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in
- 3 lieu thereof, to be known as sections 135.180, 143.011, 144.014,
- 4 and 144.020, to read as follows:
 - 135.180. 1. For the purposes of this section, the
- 2 term "taxpayer" shall mean any resident of the state of
- 3 Missouri, as defined in section 143.101, that is at least
- 4 eighteen years of age.
- 5 2. For all years beginning on or after January 1,
- 6 2025, each taxpayer that timely files a return pursuant to
- 7 this section shall be entitled to a payment from the state
- 8 in an amount equal to one thousand five hundred dollars.
- 9 3. Returns shall be filed on or before the fifteenth
- 10 day of the fourth month of each year in order to be eligible
- 11 for a payment pursuant to this section.
- 12 4. The department of revenue shall promulgate rules as
- 13 to the content and form of the return required pursuant to
- 14 this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term
- 15 is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the
- 16 authority delegated in this section shall become effective
- only if it complies with and is subject to all of the

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

- 18 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section
- 19 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and
- 20 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly
- 21 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective
- 22 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently
- 23 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking
- 24 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,
- 25 2024, shall be invalid and void.

143.011. 1. For all tax years beginning on or before

- 2 December 31, 2024, a tax is hereby imposed for every taxable
- 3 year on the Missouri taxable income of every resident. The
- 4 tax shall be determined by applying the tax table or the
- 5 rate provided in section 143.021, which is based upon the
- 6 following rates:

7 8	If the Missouri taxable income is:	The tax is:
9	Not over \$1,000.00	1 1/2% of the Missouri taxable income
11 12	Over \$1,000 but not over \$2,000	\$15 plus 2% of excess over \$1,000
13 14	Over \$2,000 but not over \$3,000	\$35 plus 2 1/2% of excess over \$2,000
15 16	Over \$3,000 but not over \$4,000	\$60 plus 3% of excess over \$3,000
17 18	Over \$4,000 but not over \$5,000	\$90 plus 3 1/2% of excess over \$4,000
19 20	Over \$5,000 but not over \$6,000	\$125 plus 4% of excess over \$5,000
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27 28	Over \$9,000	\$315 plus 6% of excess over \$9,000

- 2. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1
 30 of this section to the contrary, beginning with the 2023
 31 calendar year, the top rate of tax pursuant to subsection 1
 32 of this section shall be four and ninety-five hundredths
 33 percent.
- 34 (2) The modification of tax rates made pursuant to 35 this subsection shall apply only to tax years that begin on 36 or after January 1, 2023.
- 37 (3) The director of the department of revenue shall, 38 by rule, adjust the tax table provided in subsection 1 of 39 this section to effectuate the provisions of this 40 subsection. The top remaining rate of tax shall apply to 41 all income in excess of seven thousand dollars, as adjusted 42 pursuant to subsection 5 of this section.
 - 3. (1) In addition to the rate reduction under subsection 2 of this section, beginning with the 2024 calendar year, the top rate of tax under subsection 1 of this section may be reduced by fifteen hundredths of a percent. A reduction 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.
- 50 (2) A reduction in the rate of tax shall only occur if 51 the amount of net general revenue collected in the previous 52 fiscal year exceeds the highest amount of net general 53 revenue collected in any of the three fiscal years prior to

54 such fiscal year by at least one hundred seventy-five
55 million dollars.

- 56 (3) Any modification of tax rates under this
 57 subsection shall only apply to tax years that begin on or
 58 after a modification takes effect.
- 59 (4) The director of the department of revenue shall, 60 by rule, adjust the tax tables under subsection 1 of this 61 section to effectuate the provisions of this subsection.
- 62 [(1) In addition to the rate reductions under 63 subsections 2 and 3 of this section, beginning with the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in 64 which a reduction is made pursuant to subsection 3 of this 65 66 section, the top rate of tax under subsection 1 of this section may be further reduced over a period of years. Each 67 reduction in the top rate of tax shall be by one-tenth of a 68 percent and no more than one reduction shall occur in a 69 70 calendar year. No more than three reductions shall be made 71 under this subsection. Reductions in the rate of tax shall 72 take effect on January first of a calendar year and such reduced rates shall continue in effect until the next 73 reduction occurs. 74
- 75 (2) (a) A reduction in the rate of tax shall only occur if:
- a. 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 two hundred million
 dollars; and
- b. The amount of net general revenue collected in the previous fiscal year exceeds the amount of net general revenue collected in the fiscal year five years prior,

adjusted annually by the percentage increase in inflation over the preceding five fiscal years.

- (b) The amount of net general revenue collected required by subparagraph a. of paragraph (a) of this subdivision in order to make a reduction pursuant to this subsection shall be adjusted annually by the percent increase in inflation beginning with January 2, 2023.
- (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 below the rate applicable to such bracket, and the top remaining rate of tax shall apply to all income in excess of the income in the second highest remaining income bracket.] For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, there shall be no tax imposed upon Missouri taxable income pursuant to this section.
 - 5. 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.
 - 6. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

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(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;

- 118 (2) "CPI for the preceding calendar year", the average 119 of the CPI as of the close of the twelve-month period ending
- on August thirty-first of such calendar year;

transfer to another state fund;

- 121 (3) "Net general revenue collected", all revenue 122 deposited into the general revenue fund, less refunds and 123 revenues originally deposited into the general revenue fund 124 but designated by law for a specific distribution or
- 126 (4) "Percent increase in inflation", the percentage, 127 if any, by which the CPI for the preceding calendar year 128 exceeds the CPI for the year beginning September 1, 2014, 129 and ending August 31, 2015.
 - and ending August 31, 2015. 144.014. 1. Notwithstanding other provisions of law 2 to the contrary, beginning October 1, 1997, and ending December 31, 2024, the tax levied and imposed under this 3 chapter on all retail sales of food shall be at the rate of 4 5 one percent. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the 6 contrary, beginning January 1, 2025, the tax levied and 7 imposed pursuant to this chapter on all retail sales of food 8 shall be at the rate of six percent. The revenue derived 9 from the [one percent] rate imposed 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

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18 amended hereafter, and shall include food dispensed by or through vending machines. For the purpose of this section, 19 20 except for vending machine sales, the term "food" shall not include food or drink sold by any establishment where the 21 22 gross receipts derived from the sale of food prepared by 23 such establishment for immediate consumption on or off the premises of the establishment constitutes more than eighty 24 25 percent of the total gross receipts of that establishment, regardless of whether such prepared food is consumed on the 26 27 premises of that establishment, including, but not limited to, sales of food by any restaurant, fast food restaurant, 28 delicatessen, eating house, or café. 29 144.020. 1. A tax is hereby levied and imposed for 2 the privilege of titling new and used motor vehicles, 3 trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired 4 for use on the highways or waters of this state which are 5 required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and, except as provided in subdivision (9) of this 6 7 subsection, upon all sellers for the privilege of engaging in the business of selling tangible personal property or 8 9 rendering taxable service at retail in this state. The rate 10 of tax shall be as follows: Upon every retail sale in this state of tangible 11 12 personal property, excluding motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats and outboard 13 14 motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and subject to tax under subdivision (9) of this 15 subsection, for all years ending on or before December 31, 16 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase price 17 paid or charged, or in case such sale involves the exchange 18 of property, a tax equivalent to four percent of the 19 consideration paid or charged, including the fair market

21 value of the property exchanged at the time and place of the

- 22 exchange, except as otherwise provided in section 144.025.
- 23 For all years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, the
- 24 rate of tax imposed pursuant to this subdivision shall be
- 25 equivalent to nine percent;
- 26 (2) For all years ending on or before December 31,
- 27 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid
- 28 for admission and seating accommodations, or fees paid to,
- 29 or in any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation,
- 30 games and athletic events, except amounts paid for any
- 31 instructional class. For all years beginning on or after
- 32 January 1, 2025, the rate of tax imposed pursuant to this
- 33 subdivision shall be equivalent to nine percent;
- 34 (3) For all years ending on or before December 31,
- 35 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate
- 36 paid or charged on all sales of electricity or electrical
- 37 current, water and gas, natural or artificial, to domestic,
- 38 commercial or industrial consumers. For all years beginning
- on or after January 1, 2025, the rate of tax imposed
- 40 pursuant to this subdivision shall be equivalent to nine
- 41 percent;
- 42 (4) (a) For all years ending on or before December
- 43 31, 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent on the basic rate
- 44 paid or charged on all sales of local and long distance
- 45 telecommunications service to telecommunications subscribers
- 46 and to others through equipment of telecommunications
- 47 subscribers for the transmission of messages and
- 48 conversations and upon the sale, rental or leasing of all
- 49 equipment or services pertaining or incidental thereto;
- 50 except that, the payment made by telecommunications
- 51 subscribers or others, pursuant to section 144.060, and any
- 52 amounts paid for access to the internet or interactive

53 computer services shall not be considered as amounts paid 54 for telecommunications services. For all years beginning on 55 or after January 1, 2025, the rate of tax imposed pursuant 56 to this subdivision shall be equivalent to nine percent;

- (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,

- 85 if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter
- 86 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with
- 87 the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to
- 88 delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule
- 89 are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
- 90 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after
- 91 August 28, 2019, shall be invalid and void;
- 92 (5) For all years ending on or before December 31,
- 93 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate
- 94 paid or charged for all sales of services for transmission
- 95 of messages of telegraph companies. For all years beginning
- on or after January 1, 2025, the rate of tax imposed
- 97 pursuant to this subdivision shall be equivalent to nine
- 98 percent;
- 99 (6) For all years ending on or before December 31,
- 100 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent on the amount of
- 101 sales or charges for all rooms, meals and drinks furnished
- 102 at any hotel, motel, tavern, inn, restaurant, eating house,
- 103 drugstore, dining car, tourist cabin, tourist camp or other
- 104 place in which rooms, meals or drinks are regularly served
- 105 to the public. For all years beginning on or after January
- 106 1, 2025, the rate of tax imposed pursuant to this
- 107 subdivision shall be equivalent to nine percent. The tax
- 108 imposed under this subdivision shall not apply to any
- 109 automatic mandatory gratuity for a large group imposed by a
- 110 restaurant when such gratuity is reported as employee tip
- 111 income and the restaurant withholds income tax under section
- 112 143.191 on such gratuity;
- 113 (7) For all years ending on or before December 31,
- 114 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or
- 115 charged for intrastate tickets by every person operating a
- 116 railroad, sleeping car, dining car, express car, boat,

117 airplane and such buses and trucks as are licensed by the

- 118 division of motor carrier and railroad safety of the
- 119 department of economic development of Missouri, engaged in
- 120 the transportation of persons for hire. For all years
- beginning on or after January 1, 2025, the rate of tax
- imposed pursuant to this subdivision shall be equivalent to
- 123 nine percent;
- 124 (8) For all years ending on or before December 31,
- 125 2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or
- 126 charged for rental or lease of tangible personal property,
- 127 provided that if the lessor or renter of any tangible
- 128 personal property had previously purchased the property
- under the conditions of sale at retail or leased or rented
- 130 the property and the tax was paid at the time of purchase,
- 131 lease or rental, the lessor, sublessor, renter or subrenter
- 132 shall not apply or collect the tax on the subsequent lease,
- 133 sublease, rental or subrental receipts from that property.
- 134 For all years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, the
- 135 rate of tax imposed pursuant to this subdivision shall be
- 136 equivalent to nine percent. The purchase, rental or lease
- of motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds,
- 138 motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors shall be taxed
- and the tax paid as provided in this section and section
- 140 144.070. In no event shall the rental or lease of boats and
- 141 outboard motors be considered a sale, charge, or fee to, for
- 142 or in places of amusement, entertainment or recreation nor
- 143 shall any such rental or lease be subject to any tax imposed
- 144 to, for, or in such places of amusement, entertainment or
- 145 recreation. Rental and leased boats or outboard motors
- 146 shall be taxed under the provisions of the sales tax laws as
- 147 provided under such laws for motor vehicles and trailers.
- 148 Tangible personal property which is exempt from the sales or

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     use tax under section 144.030 upon a sale thereof is
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     likewise exempt from the sales or use tax upon the lease or
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     rental thereof;
               For all years ending on or before December 31,
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     2024, a tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase
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     price, as defined in section 144.070, of new and used motor
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     vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or
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     acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state
     which are required to be registered under the laws of the
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     state of Missouri. For all years beginning on or after
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     January 1, 2025, the rate of tax imposed pursuant to this
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     subdivision shall be equivalent to nine percent.
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     is imposed on the person titling such property, and shall be
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          2. All tickets sold which are sold under the
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     tax shall have printed, stamped or otherwise endorsed
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     thereon, the words "This ticket is subject to a sales tax.".
               [144.1021. The enactment of sections
          143.177, 144.608, 144.637, 144.638, and 144.752
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          of this act; the repeal and reenactment of
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          sections 143.011, 144.011, 144.014, 144.020,
          144.049, 144.054, 144.140, 144.526, and 144.605
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          of this act; and the repeal of sections 144.710,
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          144.1000, 144.1003, 144.1006, 144.1009,
          144.1012, and 144.1015 of this act shall become
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