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AN ACT

To repeal section 144.030, RSMo 2000, relating to sales tax exemptions, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the same subject.

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

Section A. Section 144.030, RSMo 2000, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 144.030, to read as follows:

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

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

(1) Motor fuel or special fuel subject to an excise tax of this state, unless all or part of such excise tax is refunded pursuant to section 142.584, RSMo; or upon the sale at retail of fuel to be consumed in manufacturing or creating gas, power, steam, electrical current or in furnishing

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

17 water to be sold ultimately at retail; or feed for livestock or poultry; or grain to be converted into
18 foodstuffs which are to be sold ultimately in processed form at retail; or seed, limestone or
19 fertilizer which is to be used for seeding, liming or fertilizing crops which when harvested will
20 be sold at retail or will be fed to livestock or poultry to be sold ultimately in processed form at
21 retail; economic poisons registered pursuant to the provisions of the Missouri pesticide
22 registration law (sections 281.220 to 281.310, RSMo) which are to be used in connection with
23 the growth or production of crops, fruit trees or orchards applied before, during, or after planting,
24 the crop of which when harvested will be sold at retail or will be converted into foodstuffs which
25 are to be sold ultimately in processed form at retail;

26 (2) Materials, manufactured goods, machinery and parts which when used in
27 manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, producing or fabricating become a component
28 part or ingredient of the new personal property resulting from such manufacturing, processing,
29 compounding, mining, producing or fabricating and which new personal property is intended to
30 be sold ultimately for final use or consumption; and materials, including without limitation,
31 gases and manufactured goods, including without limitation, slagging materials and firebrick,
32 which are ultimately consumed in the manufacturing process by blending, reacting or interacting
33 with or by becoming, in whole or in part, component parts or ingredients of steel products
34 intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption;

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

38 (4) Replacement machinery, equipment, and parts and the materials and supplies solely
39 required for the installation or construction of such replacement machinery, equipment, and
40 parts, used directly in manufacturing, mining, fabricating or producing a product which is
41 intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption; and machinery and equipment, and
42 the materials and supplies required solely for the operation, installation or construction of such
43 machinery and equipment, purchased and used to establish new, or to replace or expand existing,
44 material recovery processing plants in this state. For the purposes of this subdivision, a "material
45 recovery processing plant" means a facility which converts recovered materials into a new
46 product, or a different form which is used in producing a new product, and shall include a facility
47 or equipment which is used exclusively for the collection of recovered materials for delivery to
48 a material recovery processing plant but shall not include motor vehicles used on highways. For
49 purposes of this section, the terms "motor vehicle" and "highway" shall have the same meaning
50 pursuant to section 301.010, RSMo;

51 (5) Machinery and equipment, and parts and the materials and supplies solely required
52 for the installation or construction of such machinery and equipment, purchased and used to

53 establish new or to expand existing manufacturing, mining or fabricating plants in the state if
54 such machinery and equipment is used directly in manufacturing, mining or fabricating a product
55 which is intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption;

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

59 (7) Animals or poultry used for breeding or feeding purposes;

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

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

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

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

71 (12) Electrical energy used in the actual primary manufacture, processing, compounding,
72 mining or producing of a product, or electrical energy used in the actual secondary processing
73 or fabricating of the product, or a material recovery processing plant as defined in subdivision
74 (4) of this subsection, in facilities owned or leased by the taxpayer, if the total cost of electrical
75 energy so used exceeds ten percent of the total cost of production, either primary or secondary,
76 exclusive of the cost of electrical energy so used or if the raw materials used in such processing
77 contain at least twenty-five percent recovered materials as defined in section 260.200, RSMo.
78 For purposes of this subdivision, "processing" means any mode of treatment, act or series of acts
79 performed upon materials to transform and reduce them to a different state or thing, including
80 treatment necessary to maintain or preserve such processing by the producer at the production
81 facility;

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

84 (14) Machinery, equipment, appliances and devices purchased or leased and used solely
85 for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring air pollution, and materials and supplies
86 solely required for the installation, construction or reconstruction of such machinery, equipment,
87 appliances and devices, and so certified as such by the director of the department of natural
88 resources, except that any action by the director pursuant to this subdivision may be appealed to

89 the air conservation commission which may uphold or reverse such action;

90 (15) Machinery, equipment, appliances and devices purchased or leased and used solely
91 for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring water pollution, and materials and supplies
92 solely required for the installation, construction or reconstruction of such machinery, equipment,
93 appliances and devices, and so certified as such by the director of the department of natural
94 resources, except that any action by the director pursuant to this subdivision may be appealed to
95 the Missouri clean water commission which may uphold or reverse such action;

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

97 (17) All amounts paid or charged for admission or participation or other fees paid by or
98 other charges to individuals in or for any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, games
99 or athletic events, including museums, fairs, zoos and planetariums, owned or operated by a
100 municipality or other political subdivision where all the proceeds derived therefrom benefit the
101 municipality or other political subdivision and do not inure to any private person, firm, or
102 corporation;

103 (18) All sales of insulin and prosthetic or orthopedic devices as defined on January 1,
104 1980, by the federal Medicare program pursuant to Title XVIII of the Social Security Act of
105 1965, including the items specified in Section 1862(a)(12) of that act, and also specifically
106 including hearing aids and hearing aid supplies and all sales of drugs which may be legally
107 dispensed by a licensed pharmacist only upon a lawful prescription of a practitioner licensed to
108 administer those items, including samples and materials used to manufacture samples which may
109 be dispensed by a practitioner authorized to dispense such samples and all sales of medical
110 oxygen, home respiratory equipment and accessories, hospital beds and accessories and
111 ambulatory aids, all sales of manual and powered wheelchairs, stairway lifts, Braille writers,
112 electronic Braille equipment and, if purchased by or on behalf of a person with one or more
113 physical or mental disabilities to enable them to function more independently, all sales of
114 scooters, reading machines, electronic print enlargers and magnifiers, electronic alternative and
115 augmentative communication devices, and items used solely to modify motor vehicles to permit
116 the use of such motor vehicles by individuals with disabilities [or sales of over-the-counter or
117 nonprescription drugs to individuals with disabilities];

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

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

125 to Section 501(c)(8) or (10) of the 1986 Internal Revenue Code, as amended, solely in their civic
126 or charitable functions and activities and all sales made to eleemosynary and penal institutions
127 and industries of the state, and all sales made to any private not for profit institution of higher
128 education not otherwise excluded pursuant to subdivision (19) of this subsection or any
129 institution of higher education supported by public funds, and all sales made to a state relief
130 agency in the exercise of relief functions and activities;

131 (21) All ticket sales made by benevolent, scientific and educational associations which
132 are formed to foster, encourage, and promote progress and improvement in the science of
133 agriculture and in the raising and breeding of animals, and by nonprofit summer theater
134 organizations if such organizations are exempt from federal tax pursuant to the provisions of the
135 Internal Revenue Code and all admission charges and entry fees to the Missouri state fair or any
136 fair conducted by a county agricultural and mechanical society organized and operated pursuant
137 to sections 262.290 to 262.530, RSMo;

138 (22) All sales made to any private not for profit elementary or secondary school, all sales
139 of feed additives, medications or vaccines administered to livestock or poultry in the production
140 of food or fiber, all sales of pesticides used in the production of crops, livestock or poultry for
141 food or fiber, all sales of bedding used in the production of livestock or poultry for food or fiber,
142 all sales of propane or natural gas, electricity or diesel fuel used exclusively for drying
143 agricultural crops, and all sales of farm machinery, other than airplanes, motor vehicles and
144 trailers. As used in this subdivision, the term "feed additives" means tangible personal property
145 which, when mixed with feed for livestock or poultry, is to be used in the feeding of livestock
146 or poultry. As used in this subdivision, the term "pesticides" includes adjuvants such as crop oils,
147 surfactants, wetting agents and other assorted pesticide carriers used to improve or enhance the
148 effect of a pesticide and the foam used to mark the application of pesticides and herbicides for
149 the production of crops, livestock or poultry. As used in this subdivision, the term "farm
150 machinery" means new or used farm tractors and such other new or used farm machinery and
151 equipment and repair or replacement parts thereon and lubricants used exclusively for such farm
152 machinery and equipment and one-half of each purchaser's purchase of diesel fuel therefor which
153 is:

- 154 (a) Used exclusively for agricultural purposes;
- 155 (b) Used on land owned or leased for the purpose of producing farm products; and
- 156 (c) Used directly in producing farm products to be sold ultimately in processed form or
157 otherwise at retail or in producing farm products to be fed to livestock or poultry to be sold
158 ultimately in processed form at retail;

159 (23) Except as otherwise provided in section 144.032, all sales of metered water service,
160 electricity, electrical current, natural, artificial or propane gas, wood, coal or home heating oil

161 for domestic use and in any city not within a county, all sales of metered or unmetered water
162 service for domestic use;

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

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

181 (c) Each person making domestic use purchases of services or property and who uses any
182 portion of the services or property so purchased for a nondomestic use shall, by the fifteenth day
183 of the fourth month following the year of purchase, and without assessment, notice or demand,
184 file a return and pay sales tax on that portion of nondomestic purchases. Each person making
185 nondomestic purchases of services or property and who uses any portion of the services or
186 property so purchased for domestic use, and each person making domestic purchases on behalf
187 of occupants of residential apartments or condominiums through a single or master meter,
188 including service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, under a nonresidential utility
189 service rate classification may, between the first day of the first month and the fifteenth day of
190 the fourth month following the year of purchase, apply for credit or refund to the director of
191 revenue and the director shall give credit or make refund for taxes paid on the domestic use
192 portion of the purchase. The person making such purchases on behalf of occupants of residential
193 apartments or condominiums shall have standing to apply to the director of revenue for such
194 credit or refund;

195 (24) All sales of handicraft items made by the seller or the seller's spouse if the seller or
196 the seller's spouse is at least sixty-five years of age, and if the total gross proceeds from such

197 sales do not constitute a majority of the annual gross income of the seller;

198 (25) Excise taxes, collected on sales at retail, imposed by Sections 4041, 4061, 4071,
199 4081, 4091, 4161, 4181, 4251, 4261 and 4271 of Title 26, United States Code. The director of
200 revenue shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to eliminate all state and local
201 sales taxes on such excise taxes;

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

207 (27) All sales made to an interstate compact agency created pursuant to sections 70.370
208 to 70.430, RSMo, or sections 238.010 to 238.100, RSMo, in the exercise of the functions and
209 activities of such agency as provided pursuant to the compact;

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

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

217 (30) All sales of barges which are to be used primarily in the transportation of property
218 or cargo on interstate waterways;

219 (31) Electrical energy or gas, whether natural, artificial or propane, which is ultimately
220 consumed in connection with the manufacturing of cellular glass products;

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

223 (33) Tangible personal property purchased for use or consumption directly or exclusively
224 in the research and development of prescription pharmaceuticals consumed by humans or
225 animals;

226 (34) All sales of grain bins for storage of grain for resale;

227 (35) All sales of feed which are developed for and used in the feeding of pets owned by
228 a commercial breeder when such sales are made to a commercial breeder, as defined in section
229 273.325, RSMo, and licensed pursuant to sections 273.325 to 273.357, RSMo;

230 (36) All purchases by a contractor on behalf of an entity located in another state,
231 provided that the entity is authorized to issue a certificate of exemption for purchases to a
232 contractor under the provisions of that state's laws. For purposes of this subdivision, the term

233 "certificate of exemption" shall mean any document evidencing that the entity is exempt from
234 sales and use taxes on purchases pursuant to the laws of the state in which the entity is located.
235 Any contractor making purchases on behalf of such entity shall maintain a copy of the entity's
236 exemption certificate as evidence of the exemption. If the exemption certificate issued by the
237 exempt entity to the contractor is later determined by the director of revenue to be invalid for any
238 reason and the contractor has accepted the certificate in good faith, neither the contractor or the
239 exempt entity shall be liable for the payment of any taxes, interest and penalty due as the result
240 of use of the invalid exemption certificate. Materials shall be exempt from all state and local
241 sales and use taxes when purchased by a contractor for the purpose of fabricating tangible
242 personal property which is used in fulfilling a contract for the purpose of constructing, repairing
243 or remodeling facilities for the following:

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

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

249 (37) Tangible personal property purchased for use or consumption directly or exclusively
250 in research or experimentation activities performed by life science companies and so certified
251 as such by the director of the department of economic development or the director's designees;
252 except that, the total amount of exemptions certified pursuant to this section shall not exceed one
253 million three hundred thousand dollars in state and local taxes per fiscal year. For purposes of
254 this subdivision, the term "life science companies" means companies whose primary research
255 activities are in agriculture, pharmaceuticals, biomedical or food ingredients, and whose North
256 American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes fall under industry 541710 (biotech
257 research or development laboratories), 621511 (medical laboratories) or 541940 (veterinary
258 services). The exemption provided by this subdivision shall expire on June 30, 2003;

259 **(38) All sales of nonprescription and over-the-counter drugs, excluding alcohol and**
260 **tobacco, to persons sixty-five years of age or older.**