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AN ACT

To repeal section 144.062, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to a sales tax exemption for highway construction materials.

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

Section A. Section 144.062, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 144.062, to read as follows:

144.062. 1. With respect to exempt sales at retail of tangible personal property and materials for the purpose of constructing, repairing or remodeling facilities for:

(1) A county, other political subdivision or instrumentality thereof exempt from taxation under subdivision (10) of section 39 of article III of the Constitution of Missouri; or

(2) An organization sales to which are exempt from taxation under the provisions of subdivision (19) of subsection 2 of section 144.030; or

(3) Any institution of higher education supported by public funds or any private not-for-profit institution of higher education, exempt from taxation under subdivision (20) of subsection 2 of section 144.030; or

(4) Any private not-for-profit elementary or secondary school exempt from taxation under subdivision (22) of subsection 2 of section 144.030; or

(5) **After June 30, 2008, the department of transportation or the state highways and transportation commission,**

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

14 hereinafter collectively referred to as exempt entities, such exemptions shall be allowed for such
15 purchases if the purchases are related to the entities' exempt functions and activities. In addition,
16 the sales shall not be rendered nonexempt nor shall any material supplier or contractor be
17 obligated to pay, collect or remit sales tax with respect to such purchases made by or on behalf
18 of an exempt entity due to such purchases being billed to or paid for by a contractor or the
19 exempt entity contracting with any entity to render any services in relation to such purchases,
20 including but not limited to selection of materials, ordering, pickup, delivery, approval on
21 delivery, taking of delivery, transportation, storage, assumption of risk of loss to materials or
22 providing warranties on materials as specified by contract, use of materials or other purchases
23 for construction of the building or other facility, providing labor, management services,
24 administrative services, design or technical services or advice to the exempt entity, whether or
25 not the contractor or other entity exercises dominion or control in any other manner over the
26 materials in conjunction with services or labor provided to the exempt entity.

27 2. When any exempt entity contracts for the purpose of constructing, repairing or
28 remodeling facilities, and purchases of tangible personal property and materials to be
29 incorporated into or consumed in the construction of the project are to be made on a tax-exempt
30 basis, such entity shall furnish to the contractor an exemption certificate authorizing such
31 purchases for the construction, repair or remodeling project. The form and content of such
32 project exemption certificate shall be approved by the director of revenue. The project
33 exemption certificate shall include but not be limited to:

- 34 (1) The exempt entity's name, address, Missouri tax identification number and signature
35 of authorized representative;
- 36 (2) The project location, description, and unique identification number;
- 37 (3) The date the contract is entered into, which is the earliest date materials may be
38 purchased for the project on a tax-exempt basis;
- 39 (4) The estimated project completion date; and
- 40 (5) The certificate expiration date.

41 Such certificate is renewable for a given project at the option of the exempt entity, only for the
42 purpose of revising the certificate expiration date as necessary to complete the project.

43 3. The contractor shall furnish the certificate prescribed in subsection 2 of this section
44 to all subcontractors, and any contractor purchasing materials shall present such certificate to all
45 material suppliers as authorization to purchase, on behalf of the exempt entity, all tangible
46 personal property and materials to be incorporated into or consumed in the construction of that
47 project and no other on a tax-exempt basis. Such suppliers shall execute to the purchasing
48 contractor invoices bearing the name of the exempt entity and the project identification number.
49 Nothing in this section shall be deemed to exempt the purchase of any construction machinery,

50 equipment or tools used in constructing, repairing or remodeling facilities for the exempt entity.
51 All invoices for all personal property and materials purchased under a project exemption
52 certificate shall be retained by the purchasing contractor for a period of five years and shall be
53 subject to audit by the director of revenue.

54 4. Any excess resalable tangible personal property or materials which were purchased
55 for the project by a contractor under a project exemption certificate but which were not
56 incorporated into or consumed in the construction of the project shall either be returned to the
57 supplier for credit or the appropriate sales or use tax on such excess property or materials shall
58 be reported on a return and paid by such contractor not later than the due date of the contractor's
59 Missouri sales or use tax return following the month in which it was determined that the
60 materials were not to be used in the project.

61 5. No contractor or material supplier shall, upon audit, be required to pay tax on tangible
62 personal property and materials incorporated into or consumed in the construction of the project,
63 due to the failure of the exempt entity to revise the certificate expiration date as necessary to
64 complete any work required by the contract. If it is determined that tax is owed on such property
65 and materials due to the failure of the exempt entity to revise such certificate expiration date, the
66 exempt entity shall be liable for the tax owed.

67 6. If an entity issues exemption certificates for the purchase of tangible personal property
68 and materials which are incorporated into or consumed in the construction of its project and such
69 entity is found not to have had the authority granted by this section to issue such exemption
70 certificates, then such entity shall be liable for the tax owed on such personal property and
71 materials. In addition, if an entity which does have the authority granted by this section to issue
72 exemption certificates issues such certificates for the purchase of tangible personal property and
73 materials which are incorporated into or consumed in the construction of a project, or part of a
74 project, which is found not to be related to such entity's exempt functions and activities, then
75 such entity shall be liable for the tax owed on such personal property and materials.

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