HCS HB 104 -- SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR MODIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES

SPONSOR: Sutherland (Meiners)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Ways and Means by a vote of 8 to 0.

This substitute specifies that the purchase price for calculating the sales tax of a motor vehicle excludes the cost to modify the vehicle for use by an individual with a disability. The substitute clarifies that the sales tax applies only to the sales price paid by the final purchaser and not to any off-invoice discounts or other pricing discounts.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2008, FY 2009, and FY 2010.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will be beneficial to the disabled by removing the sales tax on the cost of modifications of a vehicle for their use. Disabled individuals have difficulty getting employment and with everyday living. The bill removes a barrier for them and allows them to get to and from a job and other activities.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Meiners; and Michelle Krajewski.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.