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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 144.030 and 144.615, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to a sales tax exemption.

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

Section A. Sections 144.030 and 144.615, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 144.030, 144.615, and 144.812, to read as follows: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.

9 2. There are also specifically exempted from the provisions of the local sales tax law 10 as defined in section 32.085, section 238.235, and sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 11 144.761 and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed or payable pursuant to the local 12 sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, section 238.235, and sections 144.010 to 144.525 13 and 144.600 to 144.745:

14 (1) Motor fuel or special fuel subject to an excise tax of this state, unless all or part of 15 such excise tax is refunded pursuant to section 142.824; or upon the sale at retail of fuel to be 16 consumed in manufacturing or creating gas, power, steam, electrical current or in furnishing

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.

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

26 Materials, manufactured goods, machinery and parts which when used in (2)27 manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, producing or fabricating become a 28 component part or ingredient of the new personal property resulting from such 29 manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, producing or fabricating and which new personal property is intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption; and 30 31 materials, including without limitation, gases and manufactured goods, including without 32 limitation slagging materials and firebrick, which are ultimately consumed in the 33 manufacturing process by blending, reacting or interacting with or by becoming, in whole 34 or in part, component parts or ingredients of steel products intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption; 35

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

39 (4) Replacement machinery, equipment, and parts and the materials and supplies 40 solely required for the installation or construction of such replacement machinery, equipment, and 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, 42 43 and the materials and supplies required solely for the operation, installation or construction of 44 such machinery and equipment, purchased and used to establish new, or to replace or expand 45 existing, material recovery processing plants in this state. For the purposes of this subdivision, a "material recovery processing plant" means a facility that has as its primary 46 purpose the recovery of materials into a usable product or a different form which is used in 47 producing a new product and shall include a facility or equipment which are used exclusively 48 49 for the collection of recovered materials for delivery to a material recovery processing plant 50 but shall not include motor vehicles used on highways. For purposes of this section, the terms 51 motor vehicle and highway shall have the same meaning pursuant to section 301.010. For the 52 purposes of this subdivision, subdivision (5) of this subsection, and section 144.054, as well 53 as the definition in subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.010, the term "product"

54 includes telecommunications services and the term "manufacturing" shall include the 55 production, or production and transmission, of telecommunications services. The preceding 56 sentence does not make a substantive change in the law and is intended to clarify that the term "manufacturing" has included and continues to include the production and transmission of 57 58 "telecommunications services", as enacted in this subdivision and subdivision (5) of this 59 subsection, as well as the definition in subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.010. 60 The preceding two sentences reaffirm legislative intent consistent with the interpretation of this subdivision and subdivision (5) of this subsection in Southwestern Bell Tel. Co. v. 61 Director of Revenue, 78 S.W.3d 763 (Mo. banc 2002) and Southwestern Bell Tel. Co. v. 62 Director of Revenue, 182 S.W.3d 226 (Mo. banc 2005), and accordingly abrogates the 63 Missouri supreme court's interpretation of those exemptions in IBM Corporation v. Director 64 65 of Revenue, 491 S.W.3d 535 (Mo. banc 2016) to the extent inconsistent with this section and Southwestern Bell Tel. Co. v. Director of Revenue, 78 S.W.3d 763 (Mo. banc 2002) and 66 Southwestern Bell Tel. Co. v. Director of Revenue, 182 S.W.3d 226 (Mo. banc 2005). The 67 construction and application of this subdivision as expressed by the Missouri supreme court 68 69 in DST Systems, Inc. v. Director of Revenue, 43 S.W.3d 799 (Mo. banc 2001); Southwestern 70 Bell Tel. Co. v. Director of Revenue, 78 S.W.3d 763 (Mo. banc 2002); and Southwestern Bell 71 Tel. Co. v. Director of Revenue, 182 S.W.3d 226 (Mo. banc 2005), is hereby affirmed. Material recovery is not the reuse of materials within a manufacturing process or the use of a 72 73 product previously recovered. The material recovery processing plant shall qualify under the 74 provisions of this section regardless of ownership of the material being recovered;

75 Machinery and equipment, and parts and the materials and supplies solely (5) required for the installation or construction of such machinery and equipment, purchased and 76 77 used to establish new or to expand existing manufacturing, mining or fabricating plants in the 78 state if such machinery and equipment is used directly in manufacturing, mining or 79 fabricating a product which is intended to be sold ultimately for final use or consumption. The construction and application of this subdivision as expressed by the Missouri supreme 80 81 court in DST Systems, Inc. v. Director of Revenue, 43 S.W.3d 799 (Mo. banc 2001); 82 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 83 84 hereby affirmed;

85 (6) Tangible personal property which is used exclusively in the manufacturing, 86 processing, modification or assembling of products sold to the United States government or to 87 any agency of the United States government;

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(7) Animals or poultry used for breeding or feeding purposes, or captive wildlife;

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89 (8) Newsprint, ink, computers, photosensitive paper and film, toner, printing plates 90 and other machinery, equipment, replacement parts and supplies used in producing 91 newspapers published for dissemination of news to the general public;

92 (9) The rentals of films, records or any type of sound or picture transcriptions for 93 public commercial display;

94 (10) Pumping machinery and equipment used to propel products delivered by 95 pipelines engaged as common carriers;

96 (11) Railroad rolling stock for use in transporting persons or property in interstate 97 commerce and motor vehicles licensed for a gross weight of twenty-four thousand pounds or 98 more or trailers used by common carriers, as defined in section 390.020, in the transportation 99 of persons or property;

100 Electrical energy used in the actual primary manufacture, processing, (12)101 compounding, mining or producing of a product, or electrical energy used in the actual secondary processing or fabricating of the product, or a material recovery processing plant as 102 103 defined in subdivision (4) of this subsection, in facilities owned or leased by the taxpayer, if 104 the total cost of electrical energy so used exceeds ten percent of the total cost of production, 105 either primary or secondary, exclusive of the cost of electrical energy so used or if the raw 106 materials used in such processing contain at least twenty-five percent recovered materials as defined in section 260.200. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that the raw materials 107 108 used in the primary manufacture of automobiles contain at least twenty-five percent 109 recovered materials. For purposes of this subdivision, "processing" means any mode of 110 treatment, act or series of acts performed upon materials to transform and reduce them to a different state or thing, including treatment necessary to maintain or preserve such processing 111 112 by the producer at the production facility;

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

(14) Machinery, equipment, appliances and devices purchased or leased and used solely for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring air pollution, and materials and supplies solely required for the installation, construction or reconstruction of such machinery, equipment, appliances and devices;

(15) Machinery, equipment, appliances and devices purchased or leased and used
 solely for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring water pollution, and materials and
 supplies solely required for the installation, construction or reconstruction of such machinery,
 equipment, appliances and devices;

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

125 (17) All amounts paid or charged for admission or participation or other fees paid by 126 or other charges to individuals in or for any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, 127 games or athletic events, including museums, fairs, zoos and planetariums, owned or operated 128 by a municipality or other political subdivision where all the proceeds derived therefrom 129 benefit the municipality or other political subdivision and do not inure to any private person, 130 firm, or corporation, provided, however, that a municipality or other political subdivision may 131 enter into revenue-sharing agreements with private persons, firms, or corporations providing 132 goods or services, including management services, in or for the place of amusement, 133 entertainment or recreation, games or athletic events, and provided further that nothing in this 134 subdivision shall exempt from tax any amounts retained by any private person, firm, or 135 corporation under such revenue-sharing agreement;

136 (18) All sales of insulin, and all sales, rentals, repairs, and parts of durable medical 137 equipment, prosthetic devices, and orthopedic devices as defined on January 1, 1980, by the 138 federal Medicare program pursuant to Title XVIII of the Social Security Act of 1965, 139 including the items specified in Section 1862(a)(12) of that act, and also specifically 140 including hearing aids and hearing aid supplies and all sales of drugs which may be legally 141 dispensed by a licensed pharmacist only upon a lawful prescription of a practitioner licensed 142 to administer those items, including samples and materials used to manufacture samples 143 which may be dispensed by a practitioner authorized to dispense such samples and all sales or 144 rental of medical oxygen, home respiratory equipment and accessories including parts, and 145 hospital beds and accessories and ambulatory aids including parts, and all sales or rental of 146 manual and powered wheelchairs including parts, and stairway lifts, Braille writers, electronic 147 Braille equipment and, if purchased or rented by or on behalf of a person with one or more 148 physical or mental disabilities to enable them to function more independently, all sales or 149 rental of scooters including parts, and reading machines, electronic print enlargers and 150 magnifiers, electronic alternative and augmentative communication devices, and items used 151 solely to modify motor vehicles to permit the use of such motor vehicles by individuals with 152 disabilities or sales of over-the-counter or nonprescription drugs to individuals with 153 disabilities, and drugs required by the Food and Drug Administration to meet the over-the-154 counter drug product labeling requirements in 21 CFR 201.66, or its successor, as prescribed 155 by a health care practitioner licensed to prescribe;

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

160 (20) All sales of aircraft to common carriers for storage or for use in interstate 161 commerce and all sales made by or to not-for-profit civic, social, service or fraternal

162 organizations, including fraternal organizations which have been declared tax-exempt organizations pursuant to Section 501(c)(8) or (10) of the 1986 Internal Revenue Code, as 163 164 amended, in their civic or charitable functions and activities and all sales made to eleemosynary and penal institutions and industries of the state, and all sales made to any 165 166 private not-for-profit institution of higher education not otherwise excluded pursuant to subdivision (19) of this subsection or any institution of higher education supported by public 167 168 funds, and all sales made to a state relief agency in the exercise of relief functions and 169 activities;

170 (21) All ticket sales made by benevolent, scientific and educational associations 171 which are formed to foster, encourage, and promote progress and improvement in the science 172 of agriculture and in the raising and breeding of animals, and by nonprofit summer theater 173 organizations if such organizations are exempt from federal tax pursuant to the provisions of 174 the Internal Revenue Code and all admission charges and entry fees to the Missouri state fair 175 or any fair conducted by a county agricultural and mechanical society organized and operated 176 pursuant to sections 262.290 to 262.530;

177 (22) All sales made to any private not-for-profit elementary or secondary school, all 178 sales of feed additives, medications or vaccines administered to livestock or poultry in the 179 production of food or fiber, all sales of pesticides used in the production of crops, livestock or 180 poultry for food or fiber, all sales of bedding used in the production of livestock or poultry for 181 food or fiber, all sales of propane or natural gas, electricity or diesel fuel used exclusively for 182 drying agricultural crops, natural gas used in the primary manufacture or processing of fuel 183 ethanol as defined in section 142.028, natural gas, propane, and electricity used by an eligible new generation cooperative or an eligible new generation processing entity as defined in 184 185 section 348.432, and all sales of farm machinery and equipment, other than airplanes, motor 186 vehicles and trailers, and any freight charges on any exempt item. As used in this 187 subdivision, the term "feed additives" means tangible personal property which, when mixed with feed for livestock or poultry, is to be used in the feeding of livestock or poultry. As used 188 189 in this subdivision, the term "pesticides" includes adjuvants such as crop oils, surfactants, 190 wetting agents and other assorted pesticide carriers used to improve or enhance the effect of a 191 pesticide and the foam used to mark the application of pesticides and herbicides for the production of crops, livestock or poultry. As used in this subdivision, the term "farm 192 193 machinery and equipment" shall mean:

(a) New or used farm tractors and such other new or used farm machinery and
equipment, including utility vehicles used for any agricultural use, and repair or replacement
parts thereon and any accessories for and upgrades to such farm machinery and equipment
and rotary mowers used for any agricultural purposes. For the purposes of this subdivision,
"utility vehicle" shall mean any motorized vehicle manufactured and used exclusively for off-

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highway use which is more than fifty inches but no more than eighty inches in width,measured from outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim, with an unladen dry weight of threethousand five hundred pounds or less, traveling on four or six wheels;

(b) Supplies and lubricants used exclusively, solely, and directly for producing crops,
raising and feeding livestock, fish, poultry, pheasants, chukar, quail, or for producing milk for
ultimate sale at retail, including field drain tile; and

205 206 (c) One-half of each purchaser's purchase of diesel fuel therefor which is:

a. Used exclusively for agricultural purposes;

b. Used on land owned or leased for the purpose of producing farm products; and

208 c. Used directly in producing farm products to be sold ultimately in processed form or 209 otherwise at retail or in producing farm products to be fed to livestock or poultry to be sold 210 ultimately in processed form at retail;

211 (23) Except as otherwise provided in section 144.032, all sales of metered water 212 service, electricity, electrical current, natural, artificial or propane gas, wood, coal or home 213 heating oil for domestic use and in any city not within a county, all sales of metered or 214 unmetered water service for domestic use:

215 (a) "Domestic use" means that portion of metered water service, electricity, electrical 216 current, natural, artificial or propane gas, wood, coal or home heating oil, and in any city not 217 within a county, metered or unmetered water service, which an individual occupant of a 218 residential premises uses for nonbusiness, noncommercial or nonindustrial purposes. Utility 219 service through a single or master meter for residential apartments or condominiums, 220 including service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, shall be deemed to be for 221 domestic use. Each seller shall establish and maintain a system whereby individual purchases 222 are determined as exempt or nonexempt;

223 (b) Regulated utility sellers shall determine whether individual purchases are exempt 224 or nonexempt based upon the seller's utility service rate classifications as contained in tariffs 225 on file with and approved by the Missouri public service commission. Sales and purchases 226 made pursuant to the rate classification "residential" and sales to and purchases made by or on 227 behalf of the occupants of residential apartments or condominiums through a single or master 228 meter, including service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, shall be considered 229 as sales made for domestic use and such sales shall be exempt from sales tax. Sellers shall 230 charge sales tax upon the entire amount of purchases classified as nondomestic use. The 231 seller's utility service rate classification and the provision of service thereunder shall be 232 conclusive as to whether or not the utility must charge sales tax;

(c) Each person making domestic use purchases of services or property and who uses
any portion of the services or property so purchased for a nondomestic use shall, by the
fifteenth day of the fourth month following the year of purchase, and without assessment,

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236 notice or demand, file a return and pay sales tax on that portion of nondomestic purchases. 237 Each person making nondomestic purchases of services or property and who uses any portion 238 of the services or property so purchased for domestic use, and each person making domestic 239 purchases on behalf of occupants of residential apartments or condominiums through a single 240 or master meter, including service for common areas and facilities and vacant units, under a 241 nonresidential utility service rate classification may, between the first day of the first month 242 and the fifteenth day of the fourth month following the year of purchase, apply for credit or 243 refund to the director of revenue and the director shall give credit or make refund for taxes 244 paid on the domestic use portion of the purchase. The person making such purchases on 245 behalf of occupants of residential apartments or condominiums shall have standing to apply to 246 the director of revenue for such credit or refund;

(24) All sales of handicraft items made by the seller or the seller's spouse if the seller
or the seller's spouse is at least sixty-five years of age, and if the total gross proceeds from
such sales do not constitute a majority of the annual gross income of the seller;

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

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

(27) All sales made to an interstate compact agency created pursuant to sections
70.370 to 70.441 or sections 238.010 to 238.100 in the exercise of the functions and activities
of such agency as provided pursuant to the compact;

262 (28) Computers, computer software and computer security systems purchased for use 263 by architectural or engineering firms headquartered in this state. For the purposes of this 264 subdivision, "headquartered in this state" means the office for the administrative management 265 of at least four integrated facilities operated by the taxpayer is located in the state of Missouri;

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

269 (30) All sales of barges which are to be used primarily in the transportation of 270 property or cargo on interstate waterways;

(31) Electrical energy or gas, whether natural, artificial or propane, water, or otherutilities which are ultimately consumed in connection with the manufacturing of cellular glass

products or in any material recovery processing plant as defined in subdivision (4) of thissubsection;

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

(33) Tangible personal property and utilities purchased for use or consumption
directly or exclusively in the research and development of agricultural/biotechnology and
plant genomics products and prescription pharmaceuticals consumed by humans or animals;

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

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

284 (36) All purchases by a contractor on behalf of an entity located in another state, 285 provided that the entity is authorized to issue a certificate of exemption for purchases to a 286 contractor under the provisions of that state's laws. For purposes of this subdivision, the term 287 "certificate of exemption" shall mean any document evidencing that the entity is exempt from 288 sales and use taxes on purchases pursuant to the laws of the state in which the entity is 289 located. Any contractor making purchases on behalf of such entity shall maintain a copy of 290 the entity's exemption certificate as evidence of the exemption. If the exemption certificate 291 issued by the exempt entity to the contractor is later determined by the director of revenue to be invalid for any reason and the contractor has accepted the certificate in good faith, neither 292 293 the contractor or the exempt entity shall be liable for the payment of any taxes, interest and 294 penalty due as the result of use of the invalid exemption certificate. Materials shall be exempt 295 from all state and local sales and use taxes when purchased by a contractor for the purpose of 296 fabricating tangible personal property which is used in fulfilling a contract for the purpose of 297 constructing, repairing or remodeling facilities for the following:

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

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

303 (37) All sales or other transfers of tangible personal property to a lessor who leases 304 the property under a lease of one year or longer executed or in effect at the time of the sale or 305 other transfer to an interstate compact agency created pursuant to sections 70.370 to 70.441 or 306 sections 238.010 to 238.100;

307 (38) Sales of tickets to any collegiate athletic championship event that is held in a 308 facility owned or operated by a governmental authority or commission, a quasi-governmental 309 agency, a state university or college or by the state or any political subdivision thereof,

310 including a municipality, and that is played on a neutral site and may reasonably be played at 311 a site located outside the state of Missouri. For purposes of this subdivision, "neutral site" 312 means any site that is not located on the campus of a conference member institution 313 participating in the event;

(39) All purchases by a sports complex authority created under section 64.920, and all
sales of utilities by such authority at the authority's cost that are consumed in connection with
the operation of a sports complex leased to a professional sports team;

317 (40) All materials, replacement parts, and equipment purchased for use directly upon,
318 and for the modification, replacement, repair, and maintenance of aircraft, aircraft power
319 plants, and aircraft accessories;

320 (41) Sales of sporting clays, wobble, skeet, and trap targets to any shooting range or 321 similar places of business for use in the normal course of business and money received by a 322 shooting range or similar places of business from patrons and held by a shooting range or 323 similar place of business for redistribution to patrons at the conclusion of a shooting event;

324 (42) All sales of motor fuel, as defined in section 142.800, used in any watercraft, as325 defined in section 306.010;

326 (43) Any new or used aircraft sold or delivered in this state to a person who is not a 327 resident of this state or a corporation that is not incorporated in this state, and such aircraft is 328 not to be based in this state and shall not remain in this state more than ten business days 329 subsequent to the last to occur of:

(a) The transfer of title to the aircraft to a person who is not a resident of this state or acorporation that is not incorporated in this state; or

(b) The date of the return to service of the aircraft in accordance with 14 CFR 91.407 for any maintenance, preventive maintenance, rebuilding, alterations, repairs, or installations that are completed contemporaneously with the transfer of title to the aircraft to a person who is not a resident of this state or a corporation that is not incorporated in this state;

(44) Motor vehicles registered in excess of fifty-four thousand pounds, and the trailers pulled by such motor vehicles, that are actually used in the normal course of business to haul property on the public highways of the state, and that are capable of hauling loads commensurate with the motor vehicle's registered weight; and the materials, replacement parts, and equipment purchased for use directly upon, and for the repair and maintenance or manufacture of such vehicles. For purposes of this subdivision, "motor vehicle" and "public highway" shall have the meaning as ascribed in section 390.020;

343 (45) All internet access or the use of internet access regardless of whether the tax is
344 imposed on a provider of internet access or a buyer of internet access. For purposes of this
345 subdivision, the following terms shall mean:

(a) "Direct costs", costs incurred by a governmental authority solely because of an
internet service provider's use of the public right-of-way. The term shall not include costs that
the governmental authority would have incurred if the internet service provider did not make
such use of the public right-of-way. Direct costs shall be determined in a manner consistent
with generally accepted accounting principles;

351 (b) "Internet", computer and telecommunications facilities, including equipment and 352 operating software, that comprises the interconnected worldwide network that employ the 353 transmission control protocol or internet protocol, or any predecessor or successor protocols 354 to that protocol, to communicate information of all kinds by wire or radio;

355 (c) "Internet access", a service that enables users to connect to the internet to access 356 content, information, or other services without regard to whether the service is referred to as 357 telecommunications, communications, transmission, or similar services, and without regard to 358 whether a provider of the service is subject to regulation by the Federal Communications 359 Commission as a common carrier under 47 U.S.C. Section 201, et seq. For purposes of this subdivision, internet access also includes: the purchase, use, or sale of communications 360 361 services, including telecommunications services as defined in section 144.010, to the extent 362 the communications services are purchased, used, or sold to provide the service described in 363 this subdivision or to otherwise enable users to access content, information, or other services 364 offered over the internet; services that are incidental to the provision of a service described in 365 this subdivision, when furnished to users as part of such service, including a home page, 366 electronic mail, and instant messaging, including voice-capable and video-capable electronic 367 mail and instant messaging, video clips, and personal electronic storage capacity; a home page electronic mail and instant messaging, including voice-capable and video-capable 368 369 electronic mail and instant messaging, video clips, and personal electronic storage capacity 370 that are provided independently or that are not packed with internet access. As used in this 371 subdivision, internet access does not include voice, audio, and video programming or other 372 products and services, except services described in this paragraph or this subdivision, that use 373 internet protocol or any successor protocol and for which there is a charge, regardless of 374 whether the charge is separately stated or aggregated with the charge for services described in 375 this paragraph or this subdivision;

(d) "Tax", any charge imposed by the state or a political subdivision of the state for the purpose of generating revenues for governmental purposes and that is not a fee imposed for a specific privilege, service, or benefit conferred, except as described as otherwise under this subdivision, or any obligation imposed on a seller to collect and to remit to the state or a political subdivision of the state any gross retail tax, sales tax, or use tax imposed on a buyer by such a governmental entity. The term tax shall not include any franchise fee or similar fee imposed or authorized under sections 67.1830 to 67.1846 or section 67.2689; Section 622 or

653 of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. Section 542 and 47 U.S.C. Section 573;
or any other fee related to obligations of telecommunications carriers under the
Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. Section 151, et seq., except to the extent that:

a. The fee is not imposed for the purpose of recovering direct costs incurred by the franchising or other governmental authority from providing the specific privilege, service, or benefit conferred to the payer of the fee; or

b. The fee is imposed for the use of a public right-of-way based on a percentage of the service revenue, and the fee exceeds the incremental direct costs incurred by the governmental authority associated with the provision of that right-of-way to the provider of internet access service.

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Nothing in this subdivision shall be interpreted as an exemption from taxes due on goods or services that were subject to tax on January 1, 2016;

(46) All purchases by a company of solar photovoltaic energy systems, components
 used to construct a solar photovoltaic energy system, and all purchases of materials and
 supplies used directly to construct or make improvements to such systems, provided that such
 systems:

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(a) Are sold or leased to an end user; or

(b) Are used to produce, collect and transmit electricity for resale or retail;

402 (47) Used tangible personal property purchased at an auction of used tangible 403 personal property. The term "used tangible personal property" means any tangible 404 personal property upon which a sales or use tax has previously been imposed. The term 405 "used tangible personal property" shall not include motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or 406 outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state 407 and required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri.

408 3. Any ruling, agreement, or contract, whether written or oral, express or implied, 409 between a person and this state's executive branch, or any other state agency or department, 410 stating, agreeing, or ruling that such person is not required to collect sales and use tax in this 411 state despite the presence of a warehouse, distribution center, or fulfillment center in this state 412 that is owned or operated by the person or an affiliated person shall be null and void unless it 413 is specifically approved by a majority vote of each of the houses of the general assembly. For 414 purposes of this subsection, an "affiliated person" means any person that is a member of the 415 same controlled group of corporations as defined in Section 1563(a) of the Internal Revenue 416 Code of 1986, as amended, as the vendor or any other entity that, notwithstanding its form of 417 organization, bears the same ownership relationship to the vendor as a corporation that is a 418 member of the same controlled group of corporations as defined in Section 1563(a) of the 419 Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

144.615. There are specifically exempted from the taxes levied in sections 144.600 to 2 144.745:

3 (1) Property, the storage, use or consumption of which this state is prohibited from 4 taxing pursuant to the constitution or laws of the United States or of this state;

5 (2) Property, the gross receipts from the sale of which are required to be included in 6 the measure of the tax imposed pursuant to the Missouri sales tax law;

7 (3) Tangible personal property, the sale or other transfer of which, if made in this 8 state, would be exempt from or not subject to the Missouri sales tax pursuant to the provisions 9 of subsection 2 of section 144.030;

10 (4) Motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors subject to the tax imposed by 11 section 144.020;

12 (5) Tangible personal property which has been subjected to a tax by any other state in 13 this respect to its sales or use; provided, if such tax is less than the tax imposed by sections 14 144.600 to 144.745, such property, if otherwise taxable, shall be subject to a tax equal to the 15 difference between such tax and the tax imposed by sections 144.600 to 144.745;

(6) Tangible personal property held by processors, retailers, importers, manufacturers,wholesalers, or jobbers solely for resale in the regular course of business;

18 (7) Personal and household effects and farm machinery used while an individual was 19 a bona fide resident of another state and who thereafter became a resident of this state, or 20 tangible personal property brought into the state by a nonresident for his own storage, use or 21 consumption while temporarily within the state;

(8) Used tangible personal property purchased at an auction of used tangible personal property. The term "used tangible personal property" means any tangible personal property upon which a sales or use tax has previously been imposed. The term "used tangible personal property" shall not include motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state and required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri.

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

2 (1) "Machinery and equipment used to provide broadband communications 3 service", includes, but is not limited to, wires, cables, fiber, conduits, antennas, poles, 4 switches, routers, amplifiers, rectifiers, repeaters, receivers, multiplexers, duplexers, 5 transmitters, circuit cards, insulating and protective materials and cases, power 6 equipment, backup power equipment, diagnostic equipment, storage devices, customer 7 premise equipment, modems, software, cable modem termination system components 8 and Wi-Fi equipment, and other general central office or headend and hub equipment, 9 such as channel cards, frames, and cabinets, or equipment used in successor 10 technologies, including items used to monitor, test, maintain, enable, or facilitate

qualifying equipment, machinery, ancillary components, appurtenances, accessories, or 11 12 other infrastructure that is used in whole or in part to provide broadband 13 communications service:

14 (2) "Broadband communications service", internet access as defined in 47 U.S.C. 15 Section 151, note, telecommunications service, video programming service, or any 16 combination thereof;

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(3) "Broadband communications service provider", a person engaged in the 18 provision of broadband communications service or an affiliate of such person;

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(4) "Person", the same meaning as such term is defined under section 144.010.

20 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, in addition to the 21 exemptions granted under the provisions of section 144.030, there shall also be 22 specifically exempted from the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525, sections 144.600 to 144.746, and section 238.235; the provisions of any local sales tax law, as 23 24 defined in section 32.085; the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under sections 144.010 to 144.525, sections 144.600 to 144.746, and section 238.235; and the 25 26 provisions of any local sales tax law, as defined in section 32.085, all sales, purchases, or use of machinery and equipment used to provide broadband communications service by 27 28 a broadband communications service provider.

29 3. To qualify for the exemption provided under this section, the broadband 30 communications service provider shall furnish to the seller a certificate in writing to the 31 effect that an exemption under this section is applicable to the machinery and 32 equipment used to provide broadband communications service so purchased or used. 33 The director of revenue shall permit any such broadband communications service 34 provider to enter into a direct pay agreement with the department of revenue, pursuant 35 to which such provider may pay directly to the department of revenue any applicable sales and use taxes on such equipment. 36

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