State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: H4/1/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly Act 1510 of 1999 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 2237 4 By: Representatives T. Smith, Hale, R. Smith 5 By: Senator Canada 6 7 8 For An Act To Be Entitled 9 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT ACT: 10 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 11 12 Subtitle 13 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS TOURISM 14 DEVELOPMENT ACT." 15 16 17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 19 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 15-11-507 is amended to add an additional 21 subsection at the end thereof to read as follows: 22 "(h) For amusement or entertainment park tourism attraction projects approved by the director between April 1, 1999 and September 1, 1999, the 23 24 director is authorized to allow an exemption from the payment of sales and use taxes on certain purchases of materials used in the construction of a building 25 or buildings for housing the tourism amusement or entertainment park and 26 27 machinery or equipment to be located in or in connection with the approved tourism attraction project. In exchange for this exemption, the sales tax 28 29 credit provided by this section shall be ratably reduced by the amount of 30 sales and use taxes that are not collected due to the exemption granted under 31 this subdivision. The sales tax exemption shall expire on July 1, 2001. The 32 Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall have an audit conducted to assure compliance with the exemption and sales tax credit exchange allowed in this 33 subdivision. In the event that it is found that the approved company receiving 34 35 the benefits contained in this section has failed to comply with the conditions herein, that company shall be disqualified from receiving any 36

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1	further benefits under this act and shall be liable for payment of such sales
2	and use taxes as may be due after the sales and use tax credits provided for
3	in this section are disallowed, plus interest."
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5	SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
6	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
7	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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9	SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
10	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
11	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
12	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
13	act are declared to be severable.
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15	SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
16	hereby repealed.
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18	SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
19	by the Eighty-second General Assembly that the benefits derived from this act
20	only apply to projects approved by the Director of the Arkansas Department of
21	Economic Development between April 1, 1999 and September 1, 1999; and that
22	unless this act goes into effect immediately the time frame for its
23	application will expire or substantially have expired prior to the effective
24	date of this act. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act
25	being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health
26	and safety shall become effective on the date of its approval by the Governor.
27	If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become
28	effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor
29	may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
30	overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the
31	<u>veto.</u>
32	/s/ T. Smith, et al
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35	APPROVED: 4/15/1999
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