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8		For An Act To Be Entitled	
9		TO ENABLE ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO THE	
10	STREAMI	LINED SALES AND USE TAX AGREEMENT WI	[TH
11	OTHER S	STATES AS PROVIDED IN ARKANSAS CODE	§ 26-
12	20-101,	, ET SEQ., BY AMENDING THE ARKANSAS	GROSS
13	RECEIPT	rs ACT OF 1941, § 26-52-101 ET SEQ.,	, THE
14	ARKANSA	AS COMPENSATING TAX ACT OF 1949, § 2	26-53-
15	101 ET	SEQ., ARKANSAS CODE § 26-74-101, ET	SEQ.,
16	ARKANSA	AS CODE § 26-75-101, ET SEQ., ARKANS	SAS CODE
17	§ 26-81	1-101, ET SEQ., ARKANSAS CODE § 14-1	164-301,
18	ET SEQ.	., AND ARKANSAS CODE § 26-3-307, ET	SEQ.;
19	AND FOR	R OTHER PURPOSES.	
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21		Subtitle	
22	TO	ENABLE ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO THE	
23	STRE	EAMLINED SALES AND USE TAX AGREEMENT	r .
24	BY A	AMENDING THE ARKANSAS SALES AND USE	
25	TAX	LAWS.	
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27	BE IT ENACTED BY THE	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF AR	KANSAS:
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29	SECTION 1. Fun	damental Purpose.	
30	(a) In order t	o allow Arkansas to enter into a St	reamlined Sales and
31	Use Tax Agreement, Ar	kansas must simplify and modernize	its sales and use tax
32	laws.		
33	(b) The Stream	lined Sales and Use Tax Agreement f	ocuses on improving
34	sales and use tax adm	ninistration systems for all sellers	and for all types of
35	commerce through all	of the following:	
36	(1) Stat	e level administration of sales and	use tax collections:

1	(2) Uniformity in the state and local tax bases;
2	(3) Uniformity of major tax base definitions;
3	(4) Central, electronic registration system for all member
4	states;
5	(5) Simplification of state and local tax rates;
6	(6) Uniform sourcing rules for all taxable transactions;
7	(7) Simplified administration of exemptions;
8	(8) Simplified tax returns;
9	(9) Simplification of tax remittances; and
10	(10) Protection of consumer privacy.
1	(c) The Director of the Arkansas Department of Finance and
12	Administration may enter into the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement
13	("agreement"), as described in subsection (a) and (b), upon the agreement
L4	going into effect as outlined by that agreement.
15	(d)(1) The General Assembly has the authority to establish the
16	parameters of state and local sales and use taxes, including the application,
١7	exemptions, limitations, and administration of those taxes.
18	(2) The changes to existing law effectuated by this act are
L9	intended as an expression of the General Assembly's authority to modify the
20	parameters of state and local sales and use taxes, and the changes are not
21	intended as a revocation or restraint of the power of cities and counties to
22	levy local sales and use taxes.
23	(3) It is the intent of the General Assembly that any
24	modifications to the application or administration of local sales and use
25	taxes resulting from this act shall not require the approval of local voters,
26	and that the modifications shall not invalidate existing local sales and use
27	<u>taxes.</u>
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29	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-3-307 is amended as follows:
30	26-3-307. Adaptive <u>Durable</u> medical equipment, mobility enhancing
31	equipment, and disposable medical supplies.
32	(a) Gross receipts or gross proceeds derived from the rental, sale, or
33	repair of adaptive durable medical equipment prescribed by a physician,
34	mobility enhancing equipment prescribed by a physician, and disposable
35	medical supplies prescribed by a physician shall be exempt from all state and
36	local sales and use taxes.

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                 (1) This exemption shall only apply to adaptive durable medical
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     equipment, mobility enhancing equipment, and disposable medical supplies
     prescribed for a specific patient prior to the sale.
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                 (2) This exemption shall not apply to items purchased by
     physicians, hospitals, nursing homes, or long-term care facilities for use by
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     their patients or residents.
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           (b) For the purpose of this section,
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                (1) "adaptive Durable medical equipment, mobility enhancing
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     equipment, and disposable medical supplies" shall include, but not be limited
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     to, the following:
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                (1)(A) Wheelchairs;
                (2)(B) Leg braces;
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                (3)(C) Wheelchair lifts;
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                (4)(D) Ostomy, urostomy, and colostomy supplies;
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                (5)(E) Raised toilet seats;
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                (6)(F) Catheters;
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                (7)(G) Wheelchair batteries, tires, cushions, and supplies;
                (8)(H) Enemas, suppositories, and laxatives used in routine
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     bowel care;
                 (9)(I) Flexor wrist splints;
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                (10)(J) Trapeze bars;
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                (11)(K) Grab bars and hand rails;
                (12)(L) Wheelchair adaptive devices;
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                (13)(M) Hospital beds and adaptive devices;
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                (14)(N) Patient lifts;
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                (15)(0) Orthopedic shoes and devices such as shoe lifts and
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     inserts;
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                (16)(P) Walkers;
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                (17)(Q) Crutches;
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                (18)(R) Automobile hand controls;
                (19)(S) Shower benches and chairs;
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                (20)(T) Disposable undergarments and linen savers;
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                 (21)(U) Prosthetics;
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                 (22)(V) Braille writers, large print aids, visual and
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     communication aids for those who are legally blind;
                 (23)(W) Hearing aids;
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1	$\frac{(24)}{(X)}$ Telecommunications devices and other communication
2	devices for the deaf, hearing impaired, and others with communicative
3	disorders; and
4	$\frac{(25)}{(Y)}$ Speech devices for those with laryngectomies.
5	(2) "Durable medical equipment" means equipment including repair
6	and replacement parts for the equipment, that:
7	(A) Can withstand repeated use;
8	(B) Is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical
9	<pre>purpose;</pre>
10	(C) Generally is not useful to a person in the absence of
11	illness or injury; and
12	(D) Is not worn in or on the body.
13	(3)(A) "Mobility enhancing equipment" means equipment including
14	repair and replacement parts for the equipment.
15	(B) "Mobility enhancing equipment" does not include
16	"durable medical equipment," that:
17	(i) Is primarily and customarily used to provide or
18	increase the ability to move from one place to another and which is
19	appropriate for use either in a home or a motor vehicle;
20	(ii) Is not generally used by persons with normal
21	mobility; and
22	(iii) Does not include any motor or equipment on a
23	motor vehicle normally provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer.
24	(c)(4) For the purpose of this section, "physician" "Physician" means
25	a person licensed under § 17-95-401 et seq.
26	(5)(A) "Prosthetics" means a replacement, corrective, or
27	supportive device including repair and replacement parts for the prosthetic
28	worn on or in the body to:
29	(i) Artificially replace a missing portion of the
30	body;
31	(ii) Prevent or correct physical deformity or
32	malfunction; or
33	(iii) Support a weak or deformed portion of the
34	body.
35	(B) "Prosthetics" does not include corrective eyeglasses,
36	contact lenses, and dental prosthesis.

1 2 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 26-52-101 is amended to read as follows: 3 26-52-101. Title. 4 This act chapter shall be known and cited as the "Arkansas Gross 5 Receipts Act of 1941". 6 7 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 26-52-103 is amended to read as follows: 8 26-52-103. Definitions. 9 (a) The following words and phrases, except where the context clearly 10 indicates a different meaning, when used in this act shall have the following 11 meanings As used in this chapter: 12 "Person" includes any individual, company, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, joint agreement, association, 13 mutual or otherwise, corporation, estate, trust, business trust, fiduciary, 14 15 receiver, or trustee appointed by any state or federal court or otherwise, 16 syndicate, this state, any county, city, municipality, school district, or 17 any other political subdivision of the state or group or combination acting as a unit, or any other legal entity; 18 19 (2) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Finance 20 and Administration, or any of his authorized agents; 21 (3)(A) "Sale" is declared to mean the transfer of either the 22 title or possession, except in the case of leases or rentals, for a valuable 23 consideration of tangible personal property, regardless of the manner, 24 method, instrumentality, or device by which the transfer is accomplished. 25 (B) "Sale" is also declared to include the exchange, 26 barter, lease, or rental of tangible personal property. 27 (C)(i) In the case of leases or rentals for less than 28 thirty (30) days of tangible personal property including motor vehicles and trailers, the tax shall be paid on the basis of rental or lease payments made 29 30 to the lessor of such tangible personal property during the term of the lease or rental regardless of whether Arkansas gross receipts tax or compensating 31 32 use tax was paid by the lessor at the time of the purchase of the property. 33 (ii) In the case of leases or rentals for thirty 34 (30) days or more of tangible personal property including motor vehicles and 35 trailers, the tax shall be paid on the basis of rental or lease payments made 36 to the lessor of the tangible personal property during the term of the lease

1 or rental unless Arkansas gross receipts tax or compensating use tax was paid

- 2 by the lessor at the time of the purchase of the property.
- 3 (iii) Any person engaged in the business of leasing
- 4 or renting motor vehicles shall collect, report, and remit gross receipts tax
- 5 on the lease or rental payments in lieu of paying tax at the time of
- 6 registration.
- 7 (D) "Sale" shall also include the sale, giving away,
- 8 exchanging, or other disposition of admissions, dues, or fees to clubs, to
- 9 places of amusement, or recreational or athletic events, or for the privilege
- 10 of having access to or the use of amusement, athletic, or entertainment
- ll facilities.
- 12 (E) "Sale" shall not include the furnishing or rendering
- 13 of services, except as otherwise provided in this section;
- 14 (4)(A)(i) "Gross receipts" or "gross proceeds" means the total
- 15 amount of consideration for the sale of tangible personal property and such
- 16 services as are herein specifically provided for, whether the consideration
- 17 is in money or otherwise, without any deduction on account of the cost of the
- 18 properties sold, all taxes imposed on the seller, all costs of transportation
- 19 to the seller, labor service performed, interest paid, losses, or any
- 20 expenses whatsoever.
- 21 (ii) However, the term "gross receipts" or "gross
- 22 proceeds" shall not include the manufacturer's federal excise taxes levied
- 23 upon articles if the manufacturer's federal excise taxes are separately
- 24 stated or separately billed.
- 25 (B)(i) The term "gross proceeds" or "gross receipts" shall
- 26 include the value of any goods, wares, merchandise, or property withdrawn or
- 27 used from the established business or from the stock in trade of the
- 28 established reserves for consumption or use in such business or by any other
- 29 person.
- 30 (ii)(C) However, the The term "gross receipts" or "gross
- 31 proceeds" shall not include:
- 32 (i) the The value of any goods, wares,
- 33 merchandise, or property withdrawn or used from the established business or
- 34 from the stock in trade of the established reserves for consumption or use in
- 35 such business or by any other person if the goods, wares, merchandise, or
- 36 property withdrawn or used is donated to National Guard members, emergency

1 service workers or volunteers providing services to a county which has been 2 declared a disaster area by the Governor; 3 (ii) Discounts, including cash, term, or 4 coupons that are not reimbursed by a third party that are allowed by a seller 5 and taken by a purchaser on a sale; 6 (iii) Interest, financing, and carrying 7 charges from credit extended on the sale of personal property or services, if 8 the amount is separately stated on the invoice; or 9 (iv) Any taxes legally imposed directly on the 10 consumer that are separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar 11 document given to the purchaser; 12 (5) "Taxpayer" means any person liable to remit a tax hereunder or to make a report for the purpose of claiming any exemption from payment of 13 14 taxes levied by this act chapter; 15 "Established business" means any business operated or 16 conducted by any person in a continuous manner for any length of time from an 17 established place or in an established manner; (7) "Seller" means every person making a sale in an established 18 19 business as defined in this section; "Tax period" or "taxable period" means either the calendar 20 21 period or the taxpayer's fiscal period where a taxpayer has obtained a permit 22 from the director or from any of his authorized agents to use a fiscal period 23 in lieu of a calendar period; 24 (9)(A)(i) "Consumer" or "user" means the person to whom the taxable sale is made or to whom taxable services are furnished. 25 26 (ii) All contractors are deemed to be 27 consumers or users of all tangible personal property, including materials, 28 supplies, and equipment, used or consumed by them in performing any 29 contract; and 30 (iii) the The sales of all such property to 31 contractors are taxable sales within the meaning of this act chapter. 32 "Contract" means any agreement or undertaking to 33 construct, manage, or supervise the construction, erection, alteration, or

(C) "Contractor" means any person who contracts or

estate, including any of their component parts.

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1 undertakes to construct, manage, or supervise the construction, erection, 2 alteration, or repair of any building or other improvement or structure 3 affixed to real estate, including any of their component parts; 4 (10)(A) "Doing business" or "engaging in business" includes any 5 and all local activity regularly and persistently pursued by any seller or 6 vendor through agents, employees, or representatives with the object of gain, 7 profit, or advantage and which results in a sale, delivery, or the transfer 8 of the physical position of any tangible personal property by the vendor to 9 the vendee, at or from any point within Arkansas, whether from warehouse, store, office, storage point, rolling store, motor vehicle, delivery 10 11 conveyance, or by any method or device under the control of seller effecting such local delivery, without regard to the terms of sale with respect to 12 point of acceptance of the order, point of payment, or any other condition; 13 (B) "Doing business" or "engaging in business", as set out 14 15 in this subdivision, is equally applicable to sellers of services as are made 16 the subject matter of the tax imposed by this act; 17 (C) The provisions of this subdivision shall be cumulative to the gross receipts tax law and shall not be construed as levying a tax on 18 19 any receipts derived from personal or professional services not heretofore made the subject matter and within the scope of the present gross receipts 20 21 tax law, as amended, nor shall the provisions of this subdivision be 22 construed as repealing or modifying any of the provisions therein. 23 (b) The definitions of words provided in this section are for the 24 purposes of this act only. 25 (11)(A) "Direct mail" means printed material delivered or 26 distributed by United States mail or other delivery service to a mass 27 audience or to addressees on a mailing list provided by the purchaser or at 28 the direction of the purchaser when the cost of the items are not billed 29 directly to the recipients. 30 (B) "Direct mail" includes tangible personal property supplied directly or indirectly by the purchaser to the direct mail seller 31 32 for inclusion in the package containing the printed material. 33 (C) "Direct mail" does not include multiple items of 34 printed material delivered to a single address; 35 (12)(A)(i) "Lease or rental" means any transfer of possession or

control of tangible personal property for a fixed or indeterminate term for

1	consideration.
2	(ii) A lease or rental may include future options to
3	purchase or extend.
4	(B) Lease or rental does not include:
5	(i) A transfer of possession or control of property
6	under a security agreement or deferred payment plan that requires the
7	transfer of title upon completion of the required payments;
8	(ii) A transfer of possession or control of property
9	under an agreement that requires the transfer of title upon completion of
10	required payments and payment of an option price that does not exceed the
11	greater of one hundred dollars (\$100) or one percent (1%) of the total
12	required payments; or
13	(iii)(a) Providing tangible personal property along
14	with an operator for a fixed or indeterminate period of time.
15	(b) A condition of this exclusion is that the
16	operator is necessary for the equipment to perform as designed.
17	(c) For the purpose of this subdivision, an
18	operator must do more than maintain, inspect, or set-up the tangible personal
19	property.
20	(C) Lease or rental does include agreements covering motor
21	vehicles and trailers where the amount of consideration may be increased or
22	decreased by reference to the amount realized upon sale or disposition of the
23	property as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 7701(h)(1).
24	(D) This definition shall be used for sales and use tax
25	purposes regardless if a transaction is characterized as a lease or rental
26	under generally accepted accounting principles, the Internal Revenue Code,
27	the Arkansas Uniform Commercial Code, or other provisions of federal, state
28	or local law.
29	(E)(i) This definition will be applied only prospectively
30	from the effective date of this subdivision and will have no retroactive
31	impact on existing leases or rentals.
32	(ii) This definition shall neither impact any
33	existing sale-leaseback exemption nor exclusions; and
34	(13) "Retail sale or sale at retail" means any sale, lease, or
35	rental for any purpose other than for resale, sublease, or subrent.
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SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 26-52-202 is amended to read as follows:

2	26-52-202. Application for permit.
3	(a) Every taxpayer shall file with the director an application for a
4	permit to conduct the business, setting forth such information as the
5	director may require.
6	(b) The application shall be signed by the owner of the business as a
7	natural person or, in the case of a corporation, by a legally constituted
8	officer thereof, except sellers that register electronically will not be
9	required to provide a written signature.
10	(c) Taxpayers are permitted to file an application through an agent if
11	the registration is filed with the director and is made in writing.
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13	SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 26-52-301(3)(A), pertaining to the taxation
14	of telecommunications services, is repealed.
15	(3) $(\Lambda)$ (i) Service by telephone, telecommunications, and
16	telegraph companies to subscribers or users, including transmission of
17	messages or images, whether local or long distance.
18	(ii) Taxable services shall include basic local
19	service and rental charges, including all installation and construction
20	charges and all service and rental charges having any connection with
21	transmission of any message or image.
22	(iii) Except as provided in subdivision (3)(A)(iv)
23	of this section, taxable long distance services shall include:
24	(a) Long distance messages that originate and
25	terminate within this state;
26	(b) Interstate long distance messages that
27	originate within this state and terminate outside this state and are billed
28	to an Arkansas telephone number or customer location;
29	(c) Interstate long distance messages that
30	originate outside of this state and terminate within this state and are
31	billed to an Arkansas telephone number or customer location; and
32	(d) [Effective August 1, 2002.] Long distance
33	messages which originate and terminate outside this state made by mobile
34	telecommunications service which are charged to a customer who maintains a
35	place of primary use in this state.
36	(iv) However, the following services shall not be

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subject to the tax:
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                                   (a) Any interstate private communications
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     service that is not accessible by the public;
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                                   (b) Any interstate service that allows access
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     to private telephone lines and that is not accessible by the public;
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     telecommunications service or other similar service that entitles the
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     subscriber to make or receive an unlimited number of communications to or
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     from persons having telecommunications service in a specified area that is
     outside the state in which the station provided with this service is located;
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                                   (d) Any telephone or telecommunication
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     services paid by utilizing a prepaid telephone calling card or prepaid
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     authorization number as provided in § 26-52-314.
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                             (v)(a) This tax shall apply to all customer access
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     line charges billed to an Arkansas telephone number. Access line charges are
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     those charges associated with or for access to the long distance network.
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                                   (b) However, access or other telecommunication
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     services provided to telephone, telegraph, or telecommunications companies
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     that will be used to provide telecommunications services shall not be subject
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     to this tax.
                             (vi)(a) [Effective August 1, 2002.] The Mobile
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     Telecommunications Sourcing Act, Pub.L. 106-252, as in effect on January 1,
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     2001, is adopted in its entirety. All charges for mobile telecommunications
     services are deemed to be provided by the customer's home service provider
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     and sourced to the customer's place of primary use and shall be subject to
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     gross receipts tax based upon the customer's place of primary use as
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     determined by the Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, Pub.L. 106-252.
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                                   (b)(1) [Effective August 1, 2002.] Any
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     customer who alleges that an amount of tax, charge, or fee or that the
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     assignment of the place of primary use or taxing jurisdiction included on a
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     billing is erroneous shall notify the home service provider in writing. The
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     customer must include the street address for the customer's place of primary
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     use, the account name and number for which the correction of tax assignment
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     is sought, a description of the alleged error, and any other information
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     requested by the home service provider necessary to process the request.
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1	(2) [Effective August 1, 2002.] The
2	home service provider shall conduct a review of its records and the
3	electronic database or enhanced zip code used to determine the place of
4	primary use within sixty (60) days of receiving the notice from its customer.
5	If it is determined that the amount of tax, charge, or fee or that the
6	assignment of the place of primary use or taxing jurisdiction is in error,
7	the home service provider shall correct the error and refund or credit the
8	amount of tax, charge, or fee erroneously collected from the customer for a
9	period of up to three (3) years. If it is determined that the amount of tax,
10	charge, or fee or assignment of the place of primary use or taxing
11	jurisdiction is correct, the home service provider shall provide a written
12	explanation to the customer.
13	(3) [Effective August 1, 2002.] A
14	customer seeking correction of assignment of place of primary use or taxing
15	jurisdiction or a refund or credit of taxes, charges, or fees erroneously
16	collected by the home service provider must seek to have the error corrected
17	pursuant to these provisions in this subdivision $(3)(\Lambda)(vi)(b)$ before any
18	cause of action arises as a result of the error.
19	(vii)(a) Charges for nontaxable services that are
20	aggregated with other charges for communications services that are taxable
21	and are not separately stated on the bill or invoice shall not be subject to
22	the gross receipts tax if the seller can reasonably identify the nontaxable
23	charges on the seller's books and records kept in the regular course of
24	<del>business.</del>
25	(b) If the nontaxable charges cannot
26	reasonably be identified, the gross receipts from the sales of both taxable
27	and nontaxable communications services billed on a combined basis shall be
28	attributed to the taxable communications services.
29	(c) The burden of proving nontaxable receipts
30	or charges shall be on the seller of the communications services;
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32	SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 26-52-303, is amended to read as follows:
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,,	26-52-303. Border cities or towns - Tax rate - Exemptions.
	26-52-303. Border cities or towns - Tax rate - Exemptions. (a)(1) In instances where:
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1 (B)(2) The city or town in the adjoining state is of
2 greater population than the Arkansas city or town; and
3 (C)(3) A tax imposed in such adjoining state is in the
4 nature of a selective sales tax or limited to specific items as a special
5 excise tax; and then the rate of tax upon such articles on the Arkansas side

- 6 shall be at the same rate imposed in such adjoining state not to exceed the 7 state sales tax rate as levied by the General Assembly, initiatives enacted
- 8 by the people of the State of Arkansas, and amendments to the Arkansas
- 9 Constitution.

- (2)(4) Provided that, if such The border city has voted to levy an additional one percent (1%) gross receipts tax in such city in lieu of paying state income taxes by individuals who are residents of said city, as authorized by § 26-52-601 et seq., then in such event the rate of tax shall be one percent (1%) above the state sales tax rate as levied by the General Assembly, initiatives enacted by the people of the State of Arkansas, and amendments to the Arkansas Constitution.
- (b) The exception hereunder shall not be applicable to gross receipts or gross proceeds derived from the sale of beer, wine, liquor, or any other form of intoxicating beverages in any border city or incorporated town in the State of Arkansas.
  - (e)(b) With respect to motor vehicles sold in any such city or incorporated town, the exemption authorized herein shall be applicable only to motor vehicles sold to and registered by bona fide residents of such Arkansas city or incorporated town and shall not be applicable to motor vehicles sold to nonresidents.
  - $\frac{(d)(1)}{(c)(1)}$  The director shall require any person claiming this exemption to file a sworn statement in writing that the person is a resident of that city or incorporated town, and such other information as the director may determine is necessary to establish the residence of any such person.
- (2) Any person filing a false statement or otherwise falsely obtaining, or assisting any other person to falsely obtain, the benefits of the exemption authorized in this section shall, upon conviction, be fined in a sum of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500).

SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 26-52-309 is amended to read as follows:

- 1 26-52-309. Deduction for bad debts generally.
- 2 (a)(1) In computing the amount of tax due under the Arkansas Gross
- 3 Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and any act supplemental thereto,
- 4 taxpayers may deduct bad debts from the total amount upon which the tax is
- 5 calculated for any report on the return for the period during which the bad
- 6 debt is written off as uncollectable in the taxpayer's books and records and
- 7 is eligible to be deducted for federal income tax purposes.
- 8 (2) Any deduction taken or refund paid which is attributed to
- 9 bad debts shall not include interest.
- 10 (b)(1) $\underline{(A)}$  For purposes of this section, "bad debt" means any portion
- 11 of a debt for an amount which a taxpayer has reported as taxable which the
- 12 taxpayer legally claims as a bad debt deduction for federal income tax
- 13 purposes.
- 14 (B) A taxpayer who is not required to file federal income
- 15 tax returns may deduct a bad debt on a return filed for the period in which
- 16 the bad debt is written off as uncollectable in the taxpayer's books and
- 17 records and would be eligible for a bad debt deduction for federal income tax
- 18 purposes if the taxpayer was required to file a federal income tax return.
- 19 (2) Bad debts include, but are not limited to, worthless checks,
- 20 worthless credit card payments, and uncollectible credit accounts.
- 21 (3) Bad debts do not include financing charges or interest,
- 22 uncollectible amounts on property that remain in the possession of the
- 23 taxpayer or vendor until the full purchase price is paid, expenses incurred
- 24 in attempting to collect any debt, debts sold or assigned to third parties
- 25 for collection, and repossessed property.
- 26 (c) Bad debts incurred for sales made prior to November 9, 1983, shall
- 27 not be deducted.
- 28 (d) Bad debts must be deducted within three (3) years of the date of
- 29 the sale for which the debt was incurred.
- 30 (e) If a deduction is taken for a bad debt and the taxpayer
- 31 subsequently collects the debt in whole or in part, the tax on the amount so
- 32 collected shall be paid and reported on the next return due after the
- 33 collection return filed for the period in which the collection is made.
- 34 (f)(1) When the filing responsibilities have been assumed by a
- 35 Certified Service Provider, as provided in the Uniform Sales and Use Tax
- 36 Administration Act, § 26-20-101, et seq., the service provider will be

1	allowed to claim, on behalf of the taxpayer, any bad debt allowance provided
2	by this section.
3	(2) The Certified Service Provider must credit or refund the
4	full amount of any bad debt allowance or refund received to the taxpayer.
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6	SECTION 9. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 52, Subchapter 3, is
7	amended to add an additional sections to read as follows:
8	26-52-315. Telecommunications Services.
9	(a) The gross receipts or gross proceeds derived from the sale of
10	taxable telecommunications services, as provided in this section, are subject
11	to the Arkansas gross receipts tax levied by the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act
12	of 1941, as amended, § 26-52-101 et seq., and by any act supplemental
13	thereto.
14	(b) The following services are taxable telecommunications services:
15	(1) Service by telephone, telecommunications, and telegraph
16	companies to subscribers or users, including transmission of messages or
17	images, whether local or long distance;
18	(2) Taxable services shall include basic local service and
19	rental charges, including all installation and construction charges and all
20	service and rental charges having any connection with transmission of any
21	message or image; and
22	(3) Except as provided in subdivision (c) of this section,
23	taxable long distance services shall include:
24	(A) Long distance messages that originate and terminate
25	within this state;
26	(B) Interstate long distance messages that originate
27	within this state or terminate outside this state and are billed to a place
28	of primary use in this state;
29	(C) All customer access line charges associated with or
30	for access to the long distance network, except that access or other
31	telecommunication services provided to telephone, telegraph, or
32	telecommunications companies that will be used to provide telecommunications
33	services shall not be subject to this tax; and
34	(D) Long distance messages which originate and terminate
35	outside this state made by mobile telecommunications service that are charged
36	to a customer who maintains a place of primary use in this state.

1	(c) The following services shall not be taxable:
2	(1) Any interstate private communications service that is not
3	accessible by the public;
4	(2) Any interstate service that allows access to private
5	telephone lines and that is not accessible by the public;
6	(3) Any interstate wide area telecommunications service or other
7	similar service that entitles the subscriber to make or receive an unlimited
8	number of communications to or from persons having telecommunications service
9	in a specified area that is outside the state in which the station provided
10	with this service is located; or
11	(4) Any telephone or telecommunication services paid by
12	utilizing a prepaid telephone calling card or prepaid authorization number as
13	provided in § 26-52-314.
14	(d)(1)(A) The Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, Pub.L. 106-252,
15	as in effect on January 1, 2001, is adopted in its entirety.
16	(B) All charges for mobile telecommunications services are
17	deemed to be provided by the customer's home service provider and sourced to
18	the customer's place of primary use and are subject to gross receipts tax
19	based upon the customer's place of primary use as determined by the Mobile
20	Telecommunications Sourcing Act, Pub.L. 106-252.
21	(2)(A)(i) Any customer who alleges that an amount of tax,
22	charge, or fee or that the assignment of the place of primary use or taxing
23	jurisdiction included on a billing is erroneous, shall notify the home
24	service provider in writing.
25	(ii) The customer must include the street address
26	for the customer's place of primary use, the account name and number for
27	which the correction of tax assignment is sought, a description of the
28	alleged error, and any other information requested by the home service
29	provider necessary to process the request.
30	(B)(i) The home service provider shall conduct a review of
31	its records and the electronic database or enhanced zip code used to
32	determine the place of primary use within sixty (60) days of receiving the
33	notice from its customer.
34	(ii) If it is determined that the amount of tax,
35	charge, or fee or that the assignment of the place of primary use or taxing
36	jurisdiction is in error, the home service provider shall correct the error

1 and refund or credit the amount of tax, charge, or fee erroneously collected 2 from the customer for a period of up to three (3) years. 3 (iii) If it is determined that the amount of tax, 4 charge, or fee or assignment of the place of primary use or taxing 5 jurisdiction is correct, the home service provider shall provide a written 6 explanation to the customer. 7 (C) A customer seeking correction of assignment of place 8 of primary use or taxing jurisdiction or a refund or credit of taxes, 9 charges, or fees erroneously collected by the home service provider must seek 10 to have the error corrected under subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this section 11 before any cause of action arises as a result of the error. 12 (3)(A) Charges for nontaxable services that are aggregated with other charges for communications services that are taxable and are not 13 separately stated on the bill or invoice shall not be subject to the gross 14 15 receipts tax if the seller can reasonably identify the nontaxable charges on 16 the seller's books and records kept in the regular course of business. 17 (B) If the nontaxable charges cannot reasonably be identified, the gross receipts from the sales of both taxable and nontaxable 18 19 communications services billed on a combined basis shall be attributed to the 20 taxable communications services. 21 (C) The burden of proving nontaxable receipts or charges 22 is on the seller of the communications services. 23 (e)(1) Except for the telecommunication services in subdivision 24 (e)(3), the sale of telecommunication service sold on a call-by-call basis 25 shall be sourced to: 26 (A) Each state, county, or city jurisdiction where the 27 call originates and terminates in that jurisdiction; or 28 (B) Each state, county, or city where the call either 29 originates or terminates and in which the service address is also located. 30 (2) Except for the telecommunication services in subdivision (e)(3), a sale of telecommunications services sold on a basis other than a 31 32 call-by-call basis, is sourced to the customer's place of primary use. 33 (3) The sale of the following telecommunication services shall 34 be sourced to each state, county, or city as follows: 35 (A) A sale of mobile telecommunications services, other 36 than air-to-ground radiotelephone service and prepaid calling service, is

1	sourced to the customer's place of primary use as required by the Mobile
2	Telecommunications Sourcing Act;
3	(B) A sale of postpaid calling service is sourced to the
4	origination point of the telecommunications signal as first identified by
5	<pre>either:</pre>
6	(i) The seller's telecommunications system; or
7	(ii) Information received by the seller from its
8	service provider, where the system used to transport the signals is not that
9	of the seller;
10	(C)(i) A sale of prepaid calling service is sourced in
11	accordance with § 26-52-521(b).
12	(ii) Except for a sale of mobile telecommunications
13	service that is a prepaid telecommunications service, the rule provided in $\S$
14	26-52-521(b)(5), shall include, as an option, the location associated with
15	the mobile telephone number; or
16	(D) A sale of a private communication service is sourced
17	as follows:
18	(i) Service for a separate charge related to a
19	customer channel termination point is sourced to each state, county, or city
20	in which the customer channel termination point is located;
21	(ii) Service where all customer termination points
22	are located entirely within one (1) jurisdiction or levels of jurisdiction is
23	sourced in the state, county, and city in which the customer channel
24	termination points are located;
25	(iii) Service for segments of a channel between two
26	(2) customer channel termination points located in different jurisdictions
27	and which segment of channel are separately charged is sourced fifty percent
28	(50%) in each state, county, and city in which the customer channel
29	termination points are located; or
30	(iv) Service for segments of a channel located in
31	more than one (1) jurisdiction or levels of jurisdiction and which segments
32	are not separately billed is sourced in each jurisdiction based on the
33	percentage determined by dividing the number of customer channel termination
34	points in the jurisdiction by the total number of customer channel
35	termination points.
36	(f) Definitions. For purposes of this section:

1	(1) "Air-to-ground radiotelephone service" means a radio
2	service, as that term is defined in 47 CFR 22.99, in which common carriers
3	are authorized to offer and provide radio telecommunications service for hire
4	to subscribers in aircraft;
5	(2) "Call-by-call basis" means any method of charging for
6	telecommunications services where the price is measured by individual calls;
7	(3) "Communications channel" means a physical or virtual path of
8	communications over which signals are transmitted between or among customer
9	channel termination points;
10	(4)(A) "Customer" means the person or entity that contracts with
11	the seller of telecommunications services.
12	(B) If the end user of telecommunications services is not
13	the contracting party, the end user of the telecommunications service is the
14	customer of the telecommunication service, but this sentence only applies for
15	the purpose of sourcing sales of telecommunications services under subsection
16	<u>(e);</u>
17	(C) "Customer" does not include a reseller of
18	telecommunications service or for mobile telecommunications service of a
19	serving carrier under an agreement to serve the customer outside the home
20	service provider's licensed service area;
21	(5) "Customer channel termination point" means the location
22	where the customer either inputs or receives the communications;
23	(6)(A) "End user" means the person who utilizes the
24	telecommunication service.
25	(B) In the case of an entity, "end user" means the
26	individual who utilizes the service on behalf of the entity;
27	(7) "Home service provider" means the same as that term is
28	defined in the Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, Section 124(5) of
29	Public Law 106-252;
30	(8) "Mobile telecommunications service" means the same as that
31	term is defined in the Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, Section 124(5)
32	of Public Law 106-252;
33	(9)(A) "Place of primary use" means the street address
34	representative of where the customer's use of the telecommunications service
35	primarily occurs, which must be the residential street address or the primary
36	business street address of the customer.

1	(B) In the case of mobile telecommunications services,
2	"place of primary use" must be within the licensed service area of the home
3	service provider;
4	(10)(A) "Post-paid calling service" means the telecommunications
5	service obtained by making a payment on a call-by-call basis either through
6	the use of a credit card or payment mechanism such as a bank card, travel
7	card, credit card, or debit card, or by charge made to which a telephone
8	number which is not associated with the origination or termination of the
9	telecommunications service.
10	(B) "Postpaid calling service" includes a
11	telecommunications service that would be a prepaid calling service except it
12	is not exclusively a telecommunication service;
13	(11) "Prepaid calling service" means the right to access
14	exclusively telecommunications services, which must be paid for in advance
15	and which enables the origination of calls using an access number or
16	authorization code, whether manually or electronically dialed, and that is
17	sold in predetermined units or dollars of which the number declines with use
18	in a known amount;
19	(12) "Private communication service" means a telecommunication
20	service that entitles the customer to exclusive or priority use of a
21	communications channel or group of channels between or among termination
22	points, regardless of the manner in which the channel or channels are
23	connected, and includes switching capacity, extension lines, stations, and
24	any other associated services that are provided in connection with the use of
25	the channel or channels; and
26	(13) "Service address" means:
27	(A) The location of the telecommunications equipment to
28	which a customer's call is charged and from which the call originates or
29	terminates, regardless of where the call is billed or paid;
30	(B) If the location in subdivision (f)(13)(A) is not
31	known, service address means the origination point of the signal of the
32	telecommunications services first identified by either the seller's
33	telecommunications system or in information received by the seller from its
34	service provider, where the system used to transport the signals is not that
35	of the seller; or
36	(C) If the location in subdivision $(f)(13)(A)$ and

1 subdivision (f)(13)(B) are not known, the service address means the location 2 of the customer's place of primary use. 3 SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 26-52-508(d)(3), regarding the collection 4 5 of tax by sellers or admissions collectors, is repealed. 6 (3) The director may, in the alternative and at his discretion, 7 set up by regulation a bracket system of collecting the tax due hereunder. 8 9 SECTION 11. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 52, Subchapter 5 is amended to add additional sections to read as follows: 10 11 26-52-521. Sourcing of Sales. (a)(1) This section applies for purposes of determining a seller's 12 13 obligation to pay or collect and remit a sales or use tax with respect to the seller's retail sale of a product or service. 14 15 (2) This section does not affect the obligation of a purchaser 16 or lessee to remit tax on the use of the product or service to the taxing 17 jurisdictions of that use and does not apply to the sales or use taxes levied on the retail sale, excluding lease or rental, of motor vehicles, trailers, 18 or semitrailers, that require licensing. 19 20 (b) The retail sale, excluding lease or rental, of a product or 21 service shall be sourced as follows: 22 (1) If the product or service is received by the purchaser at a 23 business location of the seller, the sale is sourced to that business 24 location; 25 (2) If the product or service is not received by the purchaser 26 at a business location of the seller, the sale is sourced to the location 27 where receipt by the purchaser, or the purchaser's designated donee, occurs, 28 including the location indicated by instructions for delivery to the 29 purchaser, or donee, known to the seller; 30 (3) If subsections (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section do not 31 apply, the sale is sourced to the location indicated by an address for the 32 purchaser that is available from the business records of the seller that are 33 maintained in the ordinary course of the seller's business when use of this 34 address does not constitute bad faith; 35 (4) If subsections (b)(1), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of this section do not apply, the sale is sourced to the location indicated by an address for 36

1	the purchaser obtained during the consummation of the sale, including the
2	address of a purchaser's payment instrument, if no other address is
3	available, when use of this address does not constitute bad faith; or
4	(5) If none of the previous rules of subsections (b)(1), (b)(2),
5	(b)(3), or (b)(4) of this section apply, including the circumstance in which
6	the seller is without sufficient information to apply the previous rules,
7	then the location will be determined by the address from which tangible
8	personal property was shipped or from which the service was provided,
9	disregarding for these purposes any location that merely provided the digital
10	transfer of the product sold.
11	(c) The lease or rental of tangible personal property, other than
12	property identified in subsection (d) or subsection (e) of this section,
13	shall be sourced as follows:
14	(1)(A) For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic
15	payments, the first periodic payment is sourced the same as a retail sale $\underline{i}\underline{n}$
16	accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section.
17	(B) Periodic payments made after the first payment are
18	sourced to the primary property location for each period covered by the
19	payment.
20	(C) The primary property location shall be as indicated by
21	an address for the property provided by the lessee that is available to the
22	lessor from its records maintained in the ordinary course of business, if use
23	of this address does not constitute bad faith.
24	(D) The property location shall not be altered by
25	intermittent use at different locations, such as use of business property
26	that accompanies employees on business trips and service calls;
27	(2) For a lease or rental that does not require recurring
28	periodic payments, the payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in
29	accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section; and
30	(3) This subsection (c) does not affect the imposition or
31	computation of sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a lump sum or
32	accelerated basis, or on the acquisition of property for lease.
33	(d) The lease or rental of motor vehicles, trailers, semitrailers, or
34	aircraft that do not qualify as transportation equipment, as defined in
35	subsection (e) of this section, shall be sourced as follows:
36	(1)(A) For a lease or rental that requires recurring periodic

1	payments, each periodic payment is sourced to the primary property location.
2	(B) The primary property location shall be as indicated by
3	an address for the property provided by the lessee that is available to the
4	lessor from its records maintained in the ordinary course of business, when
5	use of this address does not constitute bad faith.
6	(C) This location shall not be altered by intermittent use
7	at different locations;
8	(2) For a lease or rental that does not require recurring
9	periodic payments, the payment is sourced the same as a retail sale in
10	accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section; and
11	(3) This subsection does not affect the imposition or
12	computation of sales or use tax on leases or rentals based on a lump sum or
13	accelerated basis, or on the acquisition of property for lease.
14	(e)(1) The retail sale, including lease or rental, of transportation
15	equipment shall be sourced the same as a retail sale in accordance with the
16	provisions of subsection (b) of this section, notwithstanding the exclusion
17	of lease or rental in subsection (b) of this section.
18	(2) "Transportation equipment" means any of the following:
19	(A) Locomotives and railcars that are utilized for the
20	carriage of persons or property in interstate commerce;
21	(B) Trucks and truck tractors with a Gross Vehicle Weight
22	Rating of ten thousand one (10,001) pounds or greater, trailers,
23	semitrailers, or passenger buses that are:
24	(i) Registered through the International
25	Registration Plan; and
26	(ii) Operated under authority of a carrier
27	authorized and certificated by the United States Department of Transportation
28	or another federal authority to engage in the carriage of persons or property
29	in interstate commerce;
30	(C) Aircraft that are operated by air carriers authorized
31	and certificated by the United States Department of Transportation or another
32	federal or a foreign authority to engage in the carriage of persons or
33	property in interstate or foreign commerce; or
34	(D) Containers designed for use on and component parts
35	attached or secured on the items under subdivisions (e)(1) through (e)(3) of
36	this section.

1	(f) For the purpose of subsection (b) of this section:
2	(1) "Receive" and "receipt" mean:
3	(A) Taking possession of tangible personal property; or
4	(B) Making first use of services; and
5	(2) "Receive" and "receipt" do not include possession by a
6	shipping company on behalf of the purchaser.
7	(g) When a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, that requires
8	licensing, is sold to a person who resides in Arkansas, the sale is sourced
9	to the residence of the purchaser.
10	(h) This section shall apply to all state and local taxes administered
11	by this department.
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13	26-52-522. Direct Mail Sourcing.
14	(a)(1) Notwithstanding § 26-52-521, a purchaser of direct mail that is
15	not a holder of a direct pay permit shall provide to the seller in
16	conjunction with the purchase either a direct mail form or information to
17	show the state and local jurisdictions to which the direct mail is delivered
18	to recipients.
19	(2)(A) Upon receipt of the direct mail form, the seller is
20	relieved of all obligations to collect, pay, or remit the applicable tax and
21	the purchaser is obligated to pay or remit the applicable tax on a direct pay
22	basis.
23	(B) A direct mail form shall remain in effect for all
24	future sales of direct mail by the seller to the purchaser until it is
25	revoked in writing.
26	(3)(A) Upon receipt of information from the purchaser showing
27	the jurisdictions to which the direct mail is delivered to recipients, the
28	seller shall collect the tax according to the delivery information provided
29	by the purchaser.
30	(B) In the absence of bad faith, the seller is relieved of
31	any further obligation to collect tax on any transaction where the seller has
32	collected tax pursuant to the delivery information provided by the purchaser.
33	(b)(1) If the purchaser of direct mail does not have a direct pay
34	permit and does not provide the seller with either a direct mail form or
35	delivery information, as required by subsection (a) of this section, the
36	seller shall collect the tax according to § 26-52-521(b)(5).

1	(2) Nothing in this subsection shall limit a purchaser's
2	obligation for sales or use tax to any state to which the direct mail is
3	delivered.
4	(c) If a purchaser of direct mail provides the seller with
5	documentation of direct pay authority, the purchaser shall not be required to
6	provide a direct mail form or delivery information to the seller.
7	(d) The direct mail form must:
8	(1) Contain the purchaser's name and sales tax permit number;
9	(2) State that the purchaser will be remitting sales and use tax
10	to the state; and
11	(3) Contain any additional information that the director may
12	require.
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14	SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 26-53-102 is amended as follows:
15	26-53-102. Definitions.
16	As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise requires:
17	(1) $\underline{(A)}$ "Sales price" means the consideration paid or given, or
18	contracted to be paid or given, by the purchaser to the vendor for $\underline{taxable}$
19	services or the article of the tangible personal property including any
20	services that are a part of the sale valued in money, whether paid in money
21	or otherwise, and includes any amount for which credit is given to the
22	purchaser by the vendor without any deduction therefrom on account of the
23	cost of the property sold, the cost of materials used, labor or service cost,
24	interest charged, losses, or any other expenses whatsoever; provided that
25	cash discounts, including cash, term, or coupons that are not reimbursed by a
26	third party, allowed and taken on sales shall not be included.
27	(B) "Sales price" shall not include:
28	(i) If separately stated, any interest, financing,
29	or carrying charges from credit extended on the sale or any taxes legally
30	imposed directly on the consumer that are separately stated on the invoice,
31	bill of sale, or similar document given to the purchaser; or
32	(ii) the The amount charged for property returned by
33	customers upon rescission of the contract of sales when the entire amount
34	charged therefor is refunded either in cash or credit, or the amount charged
35	for labor or services rendered in installing or applying the property sold,
36	the use, storage, distribution, or consumption of which is taxable under this

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2 (C) The term "sales price" shall include, in addition to 3 the consideration paid or given or contracted to be paid or given, the amount 4 of any tariff or duty paid with respect to the importation of the taxable 5 service or article stored, used, distributed, or consumed in this state; 6 (2) "Storage" means and includes any keeping or retention in 7

- this state of tangible personal property or taxable services purchased from a vendor for any purpose, except sale or subsequent use solely outside this state;
- 10 "Use", with respect to tangible personal property, means 11 and includes the exercise of any right or power over tangible personal 12 property incident to the ownership or control of that property, except that it shall not include the sale of that property in the regular course of 13 14 business; and
- 15 (B) "Use", with respect to a taxable service, means and 16 includes the privilege of using the service, enjoyment of the service, or the 17 first act within this state by which the purchaser takes or assumes dominion or control over the service or the article of tangible personal property upon 18 19 which the service was performed.
- (4)(A) "Vendor" means and includes every person engaged in making sales of tangible personal property or taxable services by mail order, 21 22 by advertising, by agent; or by peddling tangible personal property or 23 taxable services, soliciting, or taking orders for sales of same for storage, use, distribution, or consumption in this state; and includes all salesmen, solicitors, hawkers, representatives, consignees, peddlers, or canvassers as agents of the dealers, distributors, consignors, supervisors, principals, or employers under whom they operate or from whom they obtain the tangible 28 personal property or taxable services sold by them.
- 29 (B) Irrespective of whether persons are making sales on 30 their own behalf or on behalf of dealers, distributors, consignors, supervisors, principals, or employers, they must be regarded as vendors; and 31 32 the dealers, distributors, consignors, supervisors, principals, or employers 33 must be regarded as vendors for purposes of this subchapter;
- 34 (5)(A) "Purchase" means the sale of tangible personal property 35 or taxable services by a vendor to a person for the purpose of storage, use, 36 distribution, or consumption in this state.

1 (B) Furthermore, for purposes of this subchapter, the term 2 "purchase" also includes any withdrawal of tangible person property from a stock or reserve maintained outside of the state by any person and 3 4 subsequently brought into this state and thereafter stored, consumed, 5 distributed, or used by that person or by any other person, and, in such 6 event, the tax shall be computed on the value of the tangible personal 7 property at the time it is brought into this state. 8 (C) No tax shall be computed to the extent that a 9 withdrawal consists of carbonaceous materials such as petroleum coke or 10 carbon anodes which are to be directly used or consumed in the electrolytic 11 reduction process of producing tangible personal property for ultimate sale 12 at retail. (6)(A) "Sale" means any transfer, barter, or exchange of the 13 14 title or ownership of tangible personal property or taxable services, or the 15 right to use, store, distribute, or consume the same for a consideration paid 16 or to be paid, in installments or otherwise, and includes any transaction 17 whether called leases, rentals, bailments, loans, conditional sales, or 18 otherwise, notwithstanding that the title or possession of said property, or 19 both, is retained for security. 20 (B) For the purpose of this subchapter, the place of 21 delivery of tangible personal property to the purchaser, user, storer, or 22 consumer shall be deemed to be the place of sale, whether such delivery is 23 made by the vendor or by common carriers, private contractors, mails, 24 express, agents, salesmen, solicitors, hawkers, representatives, consignees, 25 peddlers, canvassers, or otherwise the sale of tangible personal property or 26 taxable services shall be sourced according to §§ 26-52-521, 26-52-522, and 27 26-52-523; 28 (7) "Purchaser" means and includes any person who is the 29 recipient of any sale of tangible personal property or taxable services for a 30 valuable consideration acquired for use, storage, distribution, or 31 consumption in this state; 32 (8)(A) "Person" includes any individual, company, partnership, 33 limited liability company, joint venture, joint agreement, association, 34 mutual or otherwise, corporation, estate, trust, business trust, fiduciary, 35 receiver or trustee appointed by any state or federal court or otherwise, 36 syndicate, this state, any county, city, municipality, school district, or

any other political subdivision of the state, or group or combination acting as a unit, or any other legal entity.

- 3 (B) It is the purpose and intent of the General Assembly
- 4 in passing this subsection to provide the same definition for the word
- 5 "person" in this subchapter as that word is defined in the Arkansas Gross
- 6 Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq. and the exclusion of any wording formerly
- 7 appearing in the definition of the word "person" in this subchapter shall by
- 8 no means be construed by the courts, or by administrative officials, as an
- 9 intention of the General Assembly to grant any additional exclusion or
- 10 exemption from the provisions of this subchapter;
- 11 (9) "Taxpayer" means any person remitting the tax or who should
- 12 remit the tax or should have remitted the tax levied by this subchapter;
- 13 (10) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Finance
- 14 and Administration;
- 15 (11)(A) "Tangible personal property" means personal property
- 16 which may be seen, weighed, measured, felt, touched, or is in any other
- 17 manner perceptible to the senses.
- 18 (B) "Tangible personal property" includes electricity,
- 19 water, gas, steam, and prewritten computer software;
- 20 (12) "In this state" or "in the state" or "within this state"
- 21 means within the exterior limits of the State of Arkansas and includes all
- 22 territory within those limits owned by or ceded to the United States of
- 23 America+; and
- 24 (13) "Taxable service" means a service that is taxable under the
- 25 Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., or the Arkansas Gross
- 26 <u>Receipts Act</u>, § 26-52-101 et seq.

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- 28 SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 26-53-106(a), regarding the imposition and
- 29 rate of tax generally, is amended as follows:
- 30 (a) There is levied and there shall be collected from every person in
- 31 this state a tax or excise for the privilege of storing, using, distributing,
- 32 or consuming within this state any article of tangible personal property or
- 33 taxable service purchased for storage, use, distribution, or consumption in
- 34 this state at the rate of three percent (3%) of the sales price of the
- 35 property.

1 SECTION 14. Arkansas Code § 26-53-106(c), regarding the imposition and 2 rate of tax generally, is amended as follows:

(c) This tax shall apply to use, storage, distribution, or consumption of every article of tangible personal property or taxable service, except as provided in this subchapter, irrespective of whether the article or similar articles are manufactured within the State of Arkansas or are available for purchase within the State of Arkansas and irrespective of any other condition.

10 SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 26-53-106(d)(1)(A), regarding the 11 imposition and rate of tax generally, is amended as follows:

(d)(1)(A) For the purpose of the proper administration of this subchapter and to prevent evasion of the tax and the duty to collect the tax imposed in this section, it shall be presumed that tangible personal property or taxable services sold by any vendor for delivery in this state or transportation to this state is sold for storage, use, distribution, or consumption in this state unless the vendor selling the tangible personal property or taxable service has taken from the purchaser a resale certificate signed by and bearing the name, address, and sales tax permit number of the purchaser certifying that the property or taxable service was purchased for resale except that sales made electronically will not require the purchaser's signature.

- SECTION 16. Arkansas Code  $\S$  26-53-106(d)(2), regarding the imposition and rate of tax generally, is amended as follows:
- (2) It is further presumed that tangible personal property <u>or</u> <u>taxable services</u> shipped, mailed, expressed, transported, or brought to this state by the purchaser was purchased from a vendor for storage, use, distribution, or consumption in this state.

- 31 SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 26-53-107 is amended as follows: 32 26-53-107. Additional taxes levied.
  - (a) In addition to the excise tax levied upon the privilege of storing, using, distributing, or consuming tangible personal property and taxable services within this state by the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., there is levied an excise tax of one percent (1%) upon all

1 tangible personal property and taxable services subject to the tax levied in

- 2 that act, and the tax shall be collected, reported, and paid in the same
- 3 manner and at the same time as is prescribed by law for the collection,
- 4 reporting, and payment of state compensating taxes.
- 5 (b) In addition to the excise tax levied upon the privilege of
- 6 storing, using, distributing, or consuming tangible personal property and
- 7 taxable services within the state by the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-
- 8 53-101 et seq., there is hereby levied an excise tax of one-half of one
- 9 percent (0.5%) upon all tangible personal property and taxable services
- 10 subject to the tax levied in that act, and such tax shall be collected,
- ll reported, and paid in the same manner and at the same time as is prescribed
- 12 by law for the collection, reporting, and payment of Arkansas compensating
- 13 taxes.
- (c)(1) Beginning January 1, 2001, there is hereby levied an additional
- 15 excise tax of one-half of one percent (0.5%) upon all tangible personal
- 16 property <u>and taxable services</u> subject to the tax levied by the Arkansas
- 17 Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq.
- 18 (2) The tax shall be collected, reported, and paid in the same
- 19 manner and at the same time as is prescribed by the Arkansas Compensating Tax
- 20 Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq., for the collection, reporting, and payment
- 21 of Arkansas compensating taxes.

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- SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 26-53-111(a), regarding the deduction for
- 24 bad debts, is amended as follows:
- 25 (a)(1) In computing the amount of tax due under the Arkansas
- 26 Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., and any act supplemental thereto,
- 27 taxpayers may deduct bad debts from the total amount upon which the tax is
- 28 calculated for any report on the return for the period during which the bad
- 29 debt is written off as uncollectable in the taxpayer's books and records and
- 30 <u>is eligible to be deducted for federal income tax purposes</u>.
- 31 (2) Any deduction taken or refund paid which is attributed to
- 32 bad debts shall not include interest.

- 34 SECTION 19. Arkansas Code § 26-53-111(b)(1), regarding the deduction
- 35 for bad debts, is amended as follows:
- 36 (b)(1) $\underline{(A)}$  For purposes of this section, "bad debt" means any portion

of a debt for an amount which a taxpayer has reported as taxable which the

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2 taxpayer legally claims as a bad debt deduction for federal income tax 3 purposes. 4 (B) A taxpayer who is not required to file federal income 5 tax returns may deduct a bad debt on a return filed for the period in which 6 the bad debt is written off as uncollectable in the taxpayer's books and 7 records and would be eligible for a bad debt deduction for federal income tax 8 purposes if the taxpayer was required to file a federal income tax return. 9 10 SECTION 20. Arkansas Code § 26-53-111(e), regarding the deduction for 11 bad debts, is amended as follows: 12 (e) If a deduction is taken for a bad debt and the taxpayer subsequently collects the debt in whole or in part, then the tax on the 13 14 amount so collected shall be paid and reported on the next return due after 15 the collection return filed for the period in which the collection is made. 16 17 SECTION 21. Arkansas Code § 26-53-111, regarding the deduction for bad debts, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows: 18 19 (f)(1) When the filing responsibilities have been assumed by a 20 certified service provider, as provided in the Uniform Sales and Use Tax 21 Administration Act, § 26-20-101, et seq., the service provider will be 22 allowed to claim, on behalf of the taxpayer, any bad debt allowance provided 23 by this section. 24 (2) The certified service provider must credit or refund the full amount of any bad debt allowance or refund received to the taxpayer. 25 26 27 SECTION 22. Arkansas Code § 26-53-112 is amended as follows: 28 26-53-112. Exemptions generally. 29 There is specifically exempted from the taxes levied in this 30 subchapter: 31 (1) Property or services, the storage, use, distribution, or 32 consumption of which this state is prohibited from taxing under the 33 Constitution or laws of the United States of America or of this state; 34 (2) Sales of tangible personal property or services on which the 35 tax under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., is levied, 36 and any tangible personal property or services specifically exempted from

1 taxation by the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and 2 legislation enacted subsequent thereto. 3 4 SECTION 23. Arkansas Code § 26-53-121(a), regarding registration of 5 vendors, is amended as follows: 6 (a) Every vendor selling tangible personal property or taxable 7 services for storage, use, distribution, or consumption in this state shall register with the director and give the names and addresses of all agents 8 9 operating in this state, the location of any and all distribution or sales 10 houses or offices of other places of business in this state, and such other 11 information as the director may require. 12 13 SECTION 24. Arkansas Code § 26-53-122 is amended as follows: 14 26-53-122. Agents furnished statements of compliance. 15 Every vendor selling tangible personal property or taxable services for 16 storage, use, distribution, or consumption in this state shall furnish all 17 agents with a statement to the effect that his or her principal has been and is complying with the provisions of this subchapter. 18 19 20 SECTION 25. Arkansas Code § 26-53-123 is amended as follows: 21 26-53-123. Liability for tax. 22 (a) Every person storing, using, distributing, or consuming in this 23 state tangible personal property or taxable services purchased from a vendor 24 shall be liable for the tax imposed by this subchapter, and the liability shall not be extinguished until the tax has been paid to this state. 25 26 (b) However, a receipt, from a vendor authorized by the director under 27 such rules and regulations as he or she may prescribe to collect the tax 28 imposed, given to the purchaser in accordance with the provisions of §§ 26-29 53-121 and 26-53-122, shall be sufficient to relieve the purchaser from 30 further liability for the tax to which the receipt may refer.

- SECTION 26. Arkansas Code § 26-53-124(a), regarding collection of tax 32 33 by vendors, is amended as follows:
- 34 (a)(1)(A) Every vendor making a sale of tangible personal property or 35 taxable services directly or indirectly for the purpose of storage, use, 36 distribution, or consumption in this state shall collect the tax from the

- l purchaser and give a receipt therefor.
- 2 (B) This provision includes all out-of-state vendors who
- 3 deliver merchandise <u>and taxable services</u> into Arkansas in their own
- 4 conveyance where such merchandise or services will be stored, used,
- 5 distributed, or consumed within this state.
- 6 (C) The sale of tangible personal property or taxable
- 7 services will be sourced according to §§ 26-52-521, 26-52-522, and 26-52-523.
- 8 (2) The required amount of the tax collected by the vendor from
- 9 the purchaser shall be displayed separately upon the check, sales slip, bill,
- 10 receipt, or other evidence of sale.

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- 12 SECTION 27. Arkansas Code § 26-53-125(a)(2), regarding the return and 13 payment of tax, is amended as follows:
- 14 (2) Every vendor selling tangible personal property or taxable
- 15 services for storage, use, distribution, or consumption in this state shall
- 16 on or before the twentieth day of each month file with the director a return
- 17 for the preceding monthly period in such form as may be prescribed by the
- 18 director, showing the total combined sales price of all tangible personal
- 19 property or taxable services sold by the vendor during the preceding monthly
- 20 period, the storage, use, distribution, or consumption of which is subject to
- 21 the tax levied by this subchapter, and such other information as the director
- 22 may deem necessary for the proper administration of this subchapter.

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- SECTION 28. Arkansas Code § 26-53-125(a)(4), regarding the return and
- 25 payment of tax, is amended as follows:
- 26 (4)(A) Returns shall be signed by the vendor or his <u>or her</u> duly
- 27 authorized agent but need not be verified by oath.
- 28 (B) Returns filed electronically will not need to be
- 29 signed.

- 31 SECTION 29. Arkansas Code § 26-53-125(b), regarding the return and
- 32 payment of tax, is amended as follows:
- 33 (b)(1) Every person purchasing tangible personal property or services,
- 34 the storage, use, distribution, or consumption of which is subject to the tax
- 35 levied by this subchapter, and who has not paid the tax due with respect
- 36 thereto to a vendor, registered in accordance with the provisions of §§ 26-

1 53-121 and 26-53-122, shall on or before the twentieth day of each month file

- 2 with the director a return for the preceding monthly period in such form as
- 3 may be prescribed by the director showing the total sales price of the
- 4 tangible personal property or taxable services purchased during such
- 5 preceding monthly period and such other information as the director may deem
- 6 necessary for the proper administration of this subchapter.
- 7 (2) The return shall be accompanied by a remittance of the
- 8 amount of the tax herein required to be paid by the person purchasing the
- 9 tangible personal property <u>or taxable services</u> during the period covered by
- 10 the return.
- 11 (3) $\underline{(A)}$  Returns shall be signed by the person liable for the tax
- 12 or his or her authorized agent but need not be verified by oath.
- 13 (B) Returns filed electronically will not need to be
- 14 signed.
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- 16 SECTION 30. Arkansas Code § 26-53-125, regarding the return and
- 17 payment of tax, is amended to add additional subsections to read as follows:
- 18 <u>(c) Vendors that do not have a legal requirement to register under the</u>
- 19 Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., or the Arkansas
- 20 Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., and are not using a certified
- 21 service provider or a certified automated system, as defined under the
- 22 Uniform Sales and Use Tax Administration Act, § 26-20-101, et seq., shall
- 23 submit sales and use tax returns as follows:
- 24 (1) Upon registration, the director shall provide the vendor the
- 25 required Arkansas returns;
- 26 (2) The vendor shall file a return anytime within one (1) year
- 27 of the month of initial registration, and future returns may be required on
- 28 an annual basis in succeeding years; and
- 29 (3) In addition to the returns required in subsection (c)(2),
- 30 the vendor may be required to submit returns in the month following any month
- 31 in which they have accumulated state and local tax funds in the total amount
- 32 of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more.
- 33 (d) Any report or remittance required under this section, the due date
- of which falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the report or
- 35 remittance shall be postmarked or transmitted on the next succeeding business
- 36 day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

2 SECTION 31. Arkansas Code § 26-53-131(a), regarding credit for tax 3 paid in another state, is amended as follows:

(a)(1)(A) The provisions of the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., shall not apply to any tangible personal property or taxable services used, consumed, distributed, or stored in this state upon which a like tax, equal to or greater than the tax imposed by the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, has been paid in another state. Proof of payment of such tax shall be made according to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.

(B) If the amount of tax paid in another state is less than the amount of Arkansas compensating tax imposed on the property or services by § 26-53-101 et seq., then the taxpayer shall pay to the director an amount of Arkansas compensating tax sufficient to make the combined amount of tax paid in the other state and this state equal to the total amount of Arkansas compensating tax which would be due if no tax had been paid to any other state on the property or services.

(2) No credit shall be given under this section for taxes paid on such property <u>or services</u> in another state if that state does not grant credit for taxes paid on similar tangible personal property <u>or services</u> in this state.

23 SECTION 32. Arkansas Code § 26-53-301 is amended as follows: 26-53-301. Authorization to enter.

- (a) The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, when in his <u>or her</u> judgment it is necessary in order to secure the collection of any tax, penalties, or interests due or to become due under this subchapter, is authorized to negotiate agreements with the tax departments of other states in respect to the collecting, reporting, payment, and enforcement of tax on sales of tangible personal property <u>or taxable services</u> to residents of Arkansas by a retailer maintaining a place of business in the other state.
- (b) In consideration of such an agreement, the director is authorized to make similar agreements for the collecting, reporting, payment, and enforcement of tax as imposed by the other states on sales of tangible personal property or taxable services to residents of other states by retailers maintaining a place of business in Arkansas.

1 2 SECTION 33. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-73-301 is 3 amended to read as follows: 4 Any municipal or county sales or use tax levied pursuant to the laws of 5 this state shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five 6 hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price 7 from a single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, and mobile homes. This 8 9 provision shall apply to all municipal and county sales and use taxes heretofore or hereafter adopted and shall be in addition to and not in lieu 10 11 of any other limitations imposed by law. 12 13 SECTION 34. Arkansas Code § 26-74-209(d), regarding effective date of 14 rate change, is amended as follows: 15 (d)(1) The county court shall notify the director of the countywide 16 tax after publication of the proclamation has occurred and ninety (90) days before the effective date of the tax. 17 (d)(2) If no election challenge is timely filed, the countywide 18 19 tax shall be levied, effective on the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director 20 21 to sellers and subsequent to after the expiration of the thirty-day challenge 22 period, on the gross receipts from the sale at retail within the county of 23 all items and services which are subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act 24 of 1941, § 26-52-101 et seq., and, in every county where the local sales and 25 use tax has been adopted pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter, there 26 is imposed an excise tax on the storage, use, distribution, or consumption 27 within the county of tangible personal property or services purchased, 28 leased, or rented from any retailer outside the state after the effective 29 date of the sales and use tax for storage, use, distribution, or other 30 consumption in the county at the same rate on the sale price of the property or, in the case of leases or rentals, on the lease or rental price, the rate 31 32 of the use tax to correspond to the rate of the sales tax portion of the tax.

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collected according to the terms of the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of

(3) The use tax portion of the local sales and use tax shall be

SECTION 35. Arkansas Code § 26-74-211 is amended as follows:

2 26-74-211. Notification of results.

3 (a) Within ten (10) days after the certification of the votes of any

- election resulting in the adoption or abolition of a tax levied pursuant to this subchapter, and ninety (90) days before its effective date, the county court shall notify the director of such results and furnish the director with a map clearly indicating the boundaries of the county and the boundaries of each incorporated area within the county.
- 9 (b) Rate changes will be effective only on the first day of a calendar 10 quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to 11 sellers.
  - (c) Rate changes on purchases from printed catalogs in which the purchaser computed the tax based upon local tax rates published in the catalog will be applicable on the first day of a calendar quarter after a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the director to the sellers.
- (d) For sales and use tax purposes only, local boundary changes will

  only become effective on the first day of a calendar quarter after a minimum

  of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers.

21 SECTION 36. Arkansas Code § 26-74-212 is amended as follows: 22 26-74-212. Applicability of tax.

(a)(1) A county sales tax levied pursuant to the authority granted in under this subchapter or in § 26-74-301 et seq. shall be applicable to sales of items and services sold by a business located in the levying county to a resident or nonresident of the levying county but shall not be applicable to the sale of motor vehicles to nonresidents of the county; provided, however, the tax shall not be applicable to the sale of items and services sold to a nonresident of the levying county if the sale is made for delivery to an address which is in a city or county that does not impose a city or county sales tax, and the sale is of an item that is primarily sold through meter and by route delivery, if the sale is documented by a sales invoice indicating that the sale was made for delivery, and that delivery was actually made to the person at the place noted thereon located outside a county or city in which a sales tax is levied and the tax shall be administered under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, § 26-52-101, et

1 seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 26-53-101, et seq. 2 (2) When a motor vehicle is sold to a person who resides in 3 Arkansas but outside the county where the sale was made, and the city and/or 4 county of residence of the purchaser levies a sales and use tax, a use tax 5 shall be collected at the rate levied in the city and/or county of residence 6 of the purchaser, and in that event the tax shall be transmitted to the city 7 and/or county of residence. 8 (b) The tax shall not be applicable to the sale of the following 9 items, if the sale is made to a nonresident of the levying county and the 10 sales invoice indicates that the sale was made for delivery to, and delivery 11 was actually made to, an address which is located in a city or county that 12 does not impose a city or county sales tax: 13 (1) Aviation fuel; (2) Distillate special fuel used for agricultural purposes; 14 15 (3) Agricultural machinery, parts, repairs, and supplies 16 therefor; 17 (4) Water wells and water well supplies; (5) Agricultural feed, seed, and fertilizer; and 18 19 (6) Agricultural chemicals. 20 (e)(b) When a direct pay permit holder purchases tangible personal 21 property or taxable services either from an Arkansas or out of state vendor 22 for use, storage, consumption or distribution in Arkansas, the permit holder 2.3 shall accrue and remit the county sales or use tax, if any, of the county 24 where the property or services is are first used, stored, consumed, or distributed. When a direct pay permit holder purchases taxable services, the 25 26 permit holder shall accrue and remit the sales tax, if any, of the county 27 where the services are performed. 28 29 SECTION 37. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-74-213 is 30 amended as follows: 31 26-74-213. Rebates. (a) A county shall provide in its ordinance authorized by this 32 33 subchapter a rebate from the county for taxes collected pursuant to this subchapter in excess of the tax on the first two thousand five hundred 34 35 dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price from a

single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft,

1 modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.

(b)(1) Where a rebate would be due pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter as a result of the purchase of a new or used motor vehicle and where the tax thereon is collected directly from the purchaser pursuant to the provisions of § 26-52-510, then the director shall collect only the amount of tax due less the amount to which the purchaser would be entitled under the rebate provisions of this subchapter.

- (2) Where the rebate is credited against tax paid as set out in this subsection, then no other rebate of the tax shall be given.
- 10 (c) In counties which prior to December 1, 1981, have adopted a county
  11 sales tax pursuant to § 26-74-301 et seq., the quorum court may, by
  12 ordinance, provide for a rebate of any county sales and use taxes collected
  13 in excess of a specified amount on any single transaction on the sale of
  14 motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or
  15 mobile homes.

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- 17 SECTION 38. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-74-220 is amended as follows:
- 19 26-74-220. Maximum tax limitation.
- 20 (a)(1) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this 21 subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five 22 hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price from a single transaction, on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, 23 watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes, and vendors 24 shall be responsible for collecting and remitting the tax only on the first 25 26 two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, 27 or sales price from a single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles,
  - $\frac{(2)(A)(b)(1)}{(b)(1)}$  Each vendor who is liable for one (1) or more county sales or use taxes shall report a combined county sales tax and a combined county use tax on his or her sales and use tax report.

aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.

- 32 (B)(2) The combined county sales tax is equal to the sum 33 of all sales taxes levied by a county under this subchapter or any other 34 provision of the Arkansas Code.
- 35  $\frac{\text{(C)}(3)}{\text{(3)}}$  The combined county use tax is equal to the sum of all use taxes levied by a county under this subchapter or any other provision

- 1 of the Arkansas Code.
- 2  $\frac{(3)(c)}{(3)}$  This provision applies only to taxes collected by the
- 3 Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.
- 4 (b)(1) The term "single transaction", as used in this section and §§
- 5 26-75-207 26-75-212, shall be defined by ordinance of the county levying
- 6 the tax.
- 7 (2)(Λ) Every county ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998,
- 8 which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by
- 9 this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code shall contain a
- 10 definition of the term "single transaction" which definition shall amend all
- 11 other previous ordinances defining "single transaction".
- 12 (B) Provided, however, any county which adopts an
- 13 ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax
- 14 authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code may
- 15 comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single
- 16 transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales
- 17 and use tax.
- 18 (3) Effective January 1, 1998, the most recent definition of
- 19 "single transaction" adopted prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and
- 20 amend all previous local sales and use tax ordinances.
- 21 (4) It is the intent of this provision to require each county
- 22 which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of the
- 23 term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the county.
- 24 (5) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales
- 25 and use taxes collected by the Department of Finance and Administration.

- 27 SECTION 39. Arkansas Code § 26-74-309(d), regarding effective date of
- 28 rate change, is amended as follows:
- 29 (d)(1) The county court shall notify the director of the countywide
- 30 tax after publication of the proclamation has occurred and ninety (90) days
- 31 before the effective date of the tax.
- 32 (2) If no election challenge is timely filed, the countywide tax
- 33 shall be levied, effective on the first day of the first month of the
- 34 calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director
- 35 to sellers and subsequent to after the expiration of the thirty-day challenge
- 36 period, on the gross receipts from the sale at retail within the county of

- 1 all items  $\underline{\text{and services}}$  which are subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act
- of 1941, § 26-52-101 et seq., and the Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 26-53-
- 3 <u>101 et seq.</u>

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- 5 SECTION 40. Arkansas Code § 26-74-311 is amended as follows:
- 6 26-74-311. Notification of results.
- 7 (a) Within ten (10) days after the certification of the votes of any
  8 election resulting in the adoption or abolition of a tax levied pursuant to
  9 this subchapter, and ninety (90) days before the effective date, the county
  10 court shall notify the director of the results and furnish the director with
  11 a map clearly indicating the boundaries of the county and the boundaries of
- 12 each incorporated area within the county.
- 13 <u>(b) Rate changes will become effective only on the first day of a</u>
  14 <u>calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director</u>
  15 to sellers.
  - (c) Rate changes on purchases from printed catalogs in which the purchaser computed the tax based upon local tax rates published in the catalog will be applicable beginning on the first day of a calendar quarter after a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the director to the sellers.
  - (d) For sales and use tax purposes only, local boundary changes will only become effective on the first day of a calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers.

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- 25 SECTION 41. Arkansas Code § 26-74-312(b) is amended as follows:
  - (b) The director shall collect, in addition to the state gross receipts tax, an additional tax under the authority of this subchapter on the gross receipts from the sale at retail within the county of all items and services which are subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Use Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq.

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- 32 SECTION 42. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-74-320 is 33 amended to read as follows:
  - (a)(1) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price

- 1 from a single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft,
- 2 <u>watercraft</u>, <u>modular homes</u>, <u>manufactured homes</u>, or <u>mobile homes</u>, and vendors
- 3 shall be responsible for collecting and remitting the tax only on the first
- 4 two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds,
- 5 or sales price from a single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles,
- 6 aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.
- 7 (2)(A) Each vendor who is liable for one (1) or more county
- 8 sales or use taxes shall report a combined county sales tax and a combined
- 9 county use tax on his or her sales and use tax report.
- 10 (B) The combined county sales tax is equal to the sum of
- 11 all sales taxes levied by a county under this subchapter or any other
- 12 provision of the Arkansas Code.
- 13 (C) The combined county use tax is equal to the sum of all
- 14 use taxes levied by a county under this subchapter or any other provision of
- 15 the Arkansas Code.
- 16 (3) This provision applies only to taxes collected by the
- 17 Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.
- 18 (b)(1) The term "single transaction", as used in this section, shall
- 19 be defined by ordinance.
- 20 (2)(A) Every county ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998,
- 21 which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by
- 22 this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Gode shall contain a
- 23 definition of the term "single transaction", which definition shall amend all
- 24 other previous ordinances defining "single transaction".
- 25 (B) Provided, however, any county which adopts an
- 26 ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax
- 27 authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code may
- 28 comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single
- 29 transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales
- 30 and use tax.
- 31 (3) The most recent definition of "single transaction" adopted
- 32 prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and amend all previous local sales
- 33 and use tax ordinances.
- 34 (4) It is the intent of this provision to require each county
- 35 which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of the
- 36 term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the county.

1 (5) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales 2 and use taxes collected by the department. 3 4 SECTION 43. Arkansas Code § 26-74-404(d), regarding the effective date 5 for rate changes, is amended as follows: 6 (d)(1) The county court shall notify the director of the tax after 7 publication of the proclamation has occurred and ninety (90) days before the 8 effective date of the tax. 9 (2) If no election challenge is timely filed, there shall be 10 levied, effective on the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter 11 after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers and 12 subsequent to after the expiration of the thirty-day challenge period, a onehalf percent (0.5%) tax on the gross receipts from the sale at retail within 13 the county of all items which are subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act 14 15 of 1941, § 26-52-101 et seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, 16 § 26-53-101 et seq., and, in every county where the local sales and use tax 17 has been adopted pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter, there is imposed an excise tax on the storage, use, distribution, or consumption 18 19 within the county of tangible personal property and services purchased, leased, or rented from any retailer outside the state after the effective 20 21 date of the sales and use tax for storage, use, distribution, or other 22 consumption in the county at a rate of one-half percent (0.5%) of the sale 23 price of the property and services or, in the case of leases or rentals, of 24 the lease or rental price, the rate of the use tax to correspond to the rate 25 of the sales tax portion of the tax. 26 The use tax portion of the local sales and use tax shall be 27 collected according to the terms of the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 28 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq. 29 30 SECTION 44. Arkansas Code § 26-74-406 is amended as follows: 31 26-74-406. Notification of results. 32 (a) Within ten (10) days after the certification of the votes of any 33 election resulting in the adoption of a tax levied pursuant to this 34 subchapter, and ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of the rate 35 change, the county court shall notify the director of such results.

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(b) Rate changes will become effective only on the first day of a

1 calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director 2 to sellers. 3 (c) Rate changes on purchases from printed catalogs in which the 4 purchaser computed the tax based upon local tax rates published in the 5 catalog will be applicable beginning on the first day of a calendar quarter 6 after a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the director to 7 the sellers. 8 (d) For sales and use tax purposes only, local boundary changes will only become effective on the first day of a calendar quarter after a minimum 9 of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers. 10 11 SECTION 45. Arkansas Code § 26-74-407 is amended as follows: 12 13 26-74-407. Applicability of tax. 14 (a) A county sales tax levied pursuant to the authority granted in 15 this subchapter or in § 26-74-301 et seq. shall be applicable to sales of 16 items and services sold by a business <del>located in the levying county to a</del> 17 resident or nonresident of the levying county and shall be administered under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, Arkansas Code § 26-52-101, et seq., 18 and the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, Arkansas Code § 26-53-101, et 19 20 seq. 21 (b) This sales tax shall not be applicable to sales of items or 22 services by a business located in a county which levies no county sales tax, regardless of the place of residence of the purchaser. 23 24 25 SECTION 46. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-74-408(a), 26 regarding rebates, is amended as follows: 27 (a) A county shall provide in its ordinance authorized by this 28 subchapter a rebate from the county for taxes collected pursuant to this 29 subchapter in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) paid to the county on a 30 single transaction two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of the gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of motor vehicles, 31 32 aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.

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amended as follows:

SECTION 47. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-74-412 is

1 (a)(1) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this 2 subchapter shall be levied and collected only to a maximum tax of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) on each single transaction, on the first two thousand five 3 4 hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured 5 6 homes, or mobile homes, and vendors shall be responsible for collecting and 7 remitting the tax only to the maximum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for 8 each single transaction on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of 9 motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or 10 11 mobile homes. 12 (2) Vendors collecting, reporting, and remitting the county 13 sales or use taxes shall show county sales taxes as a separate entry on the 14 tax report form filed with the director. 15 (b)(1) The term "single transaction", as used in this section and §§ 16 26-75-207 26-75-212, shall be defined by ordinance of the county levying 17 the tax. 18 (2)(A) Every county ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998, 19 which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by 20 this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code shall contain a 21 definition of the term "single transaction" which definition shall amend all 22 other previous ordinances defining "single transaction". 23 (B) Provided, however, any county which adopts an 24 ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax 25 authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code may 26 comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single 27 transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales 2.8 and use tax. (3) Effective January 1, 1998, the most recent definition of 29 30 "single transaction" adopted prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and 31 amend all previous local sales and use tax ordinances. 32 (4) It is the intent of this provision to require each county 33 which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of the 34 term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the county. 35 (5) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales 36 and use taxes collected by the Department of Finance and Administration.

(e) (b)(1) In the case of any taxpayer not subject to the levy of a use tax on tangible personal property or taxable services brought into the State of Arkansas for storage until such property is subsequently initially used in the State of Arkansas, a county use tax shall be computed on each purchase of such property and services by the taxpayer as if all such property was subject upon purchase to the county use tax up to a maximum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per single transaction the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.

(2) The taxes so computed shall be aggregated on a monthly basis, and the aggregate monthly amount shall be divided by the sum of the total purchases of such property on which the taxes are computed, and the quotient shall be multiplied by the amount of the taxpayer's property subsequently initially used and subject to levy of a use tax within the county during the month for which the monthly aggregate tax figure was computed, and the product shall be the amount of county use tax liability for the taxpayer for the month computed.

SECTION 48. Arkansas Code § 26-74-605(e) is amended to read as follows:

(e) If no election challenge is timely filed, there shall be levied, effective on the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers and subsequent to the expiration of the thirty-day challenge period, a county-wide tax on the gross receipts from the sale at retail within the eligible county of all items that are subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, \$ 26-52-101 et seq. Furthermore, in every eligible county where the local sales and use tax has been adopted pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter, there is imposed an excise tax on the storage, use, distribution, or consumption within the eligible county of taxable services and tangible personal property purchased, leased, or rented from any retailer outside the state after the effective date of the sales and use tax for storage, use, distribution, or other consumption in the eligible county at the same rate as on the sale price of the property or, in the case of leases or rentals, of the lease or rental price, the rate of the use tax to correspond to the rate of the sales

1 tax portion of the tax. The use tax portion of the local sales and use tax 2 shall be collected according to the terms of the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq. 3 4 SECTION 49. Arkansas Code § 26-74-607 is amended to read as follows: 5 6 Within ten (10) days after the certification of the votes of any 7 election resulting in the adoption or abolition of a tax levied pursuant to 8 this subchapter and ninety (90) days before the effective date of the tax, 9 the county judge shall notify the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration of the results. 10 11 SECTION 50. Arkansas Code § 26-74-608 is amended to read as follows: 12 13 26-74-608. Applicability of tax. 14 (a)(1) A tax levied pursuant to the authority granted in this 15 subchapter shall be applicable to sales of items and services sold by a 16 business located in the eligible county to a resident or nonresident of the 17 eligible county but shall not be applicable to the sale of motor vehicles to nonresidents of the eligible county. Provided, however, the tax shall not be 18 19 applicable to the sale of items and services sold to a nonresident of the eligible county if the sale is made for delivery to an address that is in a 20 21 city or county that does not impose a city or county sales tax and the sale 22 is of an item that is primarily sold through meter and by route delivery if 23 the sale is documented by a sales invoice indicating that the sale was made 24 for delivery and that delivery was actually made to the person at the place noted thereon located outside a county or city in which a sales tax is levied 25 26 and the tax shall be administered under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 27 1941, § 26-52-101, et seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 28 26-53-101, et seq. 29 (2) When a motor vehicle is sold to a person who resides in 30 Arkansas but outside the eligible county where the sale was made and when the city or county, or both, of residence of the purchaser levies a sales and use 31

Arkansas but outside the eligible county where the sale was made and when the city or county, or both, of residence of the purchaser levies a sales and use tax, a use tax shall be collected at the rate levied in the city or county, or both, of residence of the purchaser, and in that event the tax shall be transmitted to the city or county, or both, of residence.

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(b) The tax shall not be applicable to the sale of the following items if the sale is made to a nonresident of the eligible county and if the sales

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     actually made to an address that is located in a city or county that does not
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                (2) Distillate special fuel used for agricultural purposes;
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                (3) Agricultural machinery, parts, repairs, and supplies
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     therefor;
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                (5) Agricultural feed, seed, and fertilizer; and
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                (6) Agricultural chemicals.
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           (c)(1)(b) When a direct pay permit holder purchases tangible personal
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     property or taxable services either from an Arkansas or out-of-state vendor
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     where the property or services is are first used, stored, consumed, or
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     distributed.
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           SECTION 51. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-74-612 is
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     subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
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                 (2) Vendors collecting, reporting, and remitting the tax shall
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     show the tax as a separate entry on the tax report form filed with the
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     Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.
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           (b)(1) The term "single transaction" as used in this section and §§
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1	26-75-207 - 26-75-212 shall be defined by ordinance of the eligible county
2	levying the tax.
3	(2)(A) Every county ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998,
4	that calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by
5	this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Gode shall contain a
6	definition of the term "single transaction", which definition shall amend all
7	other previous ordinances defining "single transaction".
8	(B) Provided, however, any eligible county that adopts an
9	ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax
10	authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code may
11	comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single
12	transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales
13	and use tax.
14	(3) The most recent definition of "single transaction" adopted
15	prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and amend all previous local sales
16	and use tax ordinances.
17	(4) It is the intent of this provision to require each eligible
18	county that levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of
19	the term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the eligible county.
20	(5) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales
21	and use taxes collected by the Department of Finance and Administration.
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23	SECTION 52. Arkansas Code § 26-75-207(c), regarding the levying of a
24	tax, is amended as follows:
25	(c) The sales tax portion of any local sales and use tax adopted under
26	this subchapter shall be levied by the governing body on the receipts from
27	the sale at retail <del>within the city</del> of all items <u>and services</u> which are
28	subject to taxation under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et
29	seq., and the Compensating Use Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq.
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31	SECTION 53. Arkansas Code § 26-75-209(1)(D), regarding the effective
32	date of ordinance, is amended as follows:
33	(D) (i) The mayor of the city shall notify the director of
34	the rate change after publication of the proclamation has occurred and ninety
35	(90) days before the effective date of the tax.
36	(ii) If no election challenge is filed within this

1 period the thirty (30) day challenge period, the ordinance shall become 2 effective on the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers and subsequent 3 4 to after the expiration of the full thirty-day period of challenge; and. 5 6 SECTION 54. Arkansas Code § 26-75-209(1), regarding the effective date 7 of ordinance, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows: 8 (E) The rate change shall become applicable on the first 9 day of a quarter after one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the director to sellers on purchases from printed catalogs in which the purchaser computed 10 11 the tax based upon local tax rates published in the catalog; and 12 13 SECTION 55. Arkansas Code § 26-75-211(b), regarding the effective date 14 of a boundary change, is amended as follows: 15 (b)(1) If any such city in which a local sales and use tax has been 16 imposed in the manner provided for in this subchapter shall thereafter change 17 or alter its boundaries, the city clerk of the city shall forward to the director, at least ninety (90) days before the effective date, a certified 18 copy of the ordinance adding or detaching territory from the city, which 19 shall be accompanied by a map clearly showing the territory added thereto or 20 21 detached therefrom. 22 (2) After receipt of the ordinance and map, the tax imposed 23 under this subchapter shall be effective in the added territory or abolished 24 in the detached territory on the first day of the first month of the calendar 25 quarter following the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date that the 26 annexation or detachment becomes effective sixty (60) days notice by the 27 director to sellers. 28 29 SECTION 56. Arkansas Code § 26-75-212(a), regarding collection of tax, 30 is amended as follows: 31 (a)(1)(A) In each city where a local sales and use tax has been 32 imposed in the manner provided by this subchapter, every retailer shall add 33 the tax imposed by the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and 34 the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., and the tax imposed 35 by this subchapter to his or her sale price, and when added, the combined tax 36 shall:

1 (A)(i) Constitute a part of the price; 2 (B)(ii) Be a debt of the purchaser to the retailer until 3 paid; and 4 (C)(iii) Be recoverable at law in the same manner as the 5 purchase price. 6 (B) When the sale price in the city shall involve a 7 fraction of a dollar, the two (2) combined taxes shall be added to the sale 8 price according to a schedule and bracket system formula established by the 9 director. 10 (C) A retailer shall be entitled to the same discount with 11 respect to tax remitted under this subchapter as is authorized for the 12 collection and remission of gross receipts taxes to the State of Arkansas as authorized in § 26-52-503. 13 14 (2)(A) Any fraction of one cent (1¢) of tax which is less than 15 one-half of one cent (1/2 of 1c) shall not be collected. 16 (B) Any fraction of one cent (1¢) of tax equal to one-half 17 of one cent (1/2 of 1c) or more shall be collected as a whole cent (1c) of 18 tax. 19 In the event the General Assembly, or the electors of the state, shall either increase or decrease the rate of the state gross receipts 20 21 tax, the combined rate of the state gross receipts tax and the local sales 22 tax shall be the sum of the two (2) rates. In this event, the director may 23 publish a schedule of the taxes due with reference to sales involving a 24 fraction of one dollar (\$1.00). 25 26 SECTION 57. Arkansas Code § 26-75-214(b), regarding the collection of 27 tax, is amended as follows: 28 (b) The director shall collect, in addition to the state gross 29 receipts tax and compensating tax, an additional tax under the authority of 30 this subchapter on the receipts from the sale at retail or on the sale price 31 or lease or rental price on the storage, use, distribution, or other 32 consumption of all taxable items within the city which property is and 33 services subject to the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq. and 34 Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq.

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36 SECTION 58. Arkansas Code § 26-75-216 is amended as follows:

1 26-75-216. Applicability of tax. 2 (a)(1) A city sales tax levied pursuant to the authority granted in this subchapter or in § 26-75-301 et seq. shall be applicable to sales of 3 4 items and services sold by a business located in a levying city to a resident 5 or nonresident of the levying city but shall not be applicable to motor 6 vehicles sold to nonresidents of the levying city; provided, however, the tax 7 shall not be applicable to the sale of items and services sold to a nonresident of the levying city if the sale is made for delivery to an 8 9 address which is in a city or county that does not impose a city or county 10 sales tax, and the sale is of an item that is primarily sold through meter 11 and by route delivery, if such sale is documented by a sales invoice 12 indicating that the sale was made for delivery and that delivery was actually 13 made to the person at the place noted thereon located outside a city or 14 county in which a sales tax is levied and shall be administered in accordance with the Arkansas Gross Receipts Tax Act of 1941, § 26-52-101, et seq., and 15 16 the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 26-53-101. 17 (2) When a motor vehicle is sold to a person who resides in Arkansas but outside the city where the sale was made, and the city or county 18 19 of residence of the purchaser levies a sales and use tax, a use tax shall be 20 collected at the rate levied in the city or county of residence of the 21 purchaser and in that event the tax shall be transmitted to the city or 22 county of residence. 23 (b) The tax shall not be applicable to the sale of the following 24 items, if the sale is made to a nonresident of the levying city and the sales 25 invoice indicates that the sale was made for delivery to, and delivery was 26 actually made to, an address which is located in a city or county that does 27 not impose a city or county sales tax: 28 (1) Aviation fuel; 29 (2) Distillate special fuel used for agricultural purposes; 30 (3) Agricultural machinery, parts, repairs and supplies 31 therefor; 32 (4) Water wells and water well supplies; 33 (5) Agricultural feed, seed, and fertilizer; and 34 (6) Agricultural chemicals. 35 (e) (b) When a direct pay permit holder purchases tangible personal property or taxable services either from an Arkansas or out of state vendor 36

- 1 for use, storage, consumption or distribution in Arkansas, the permit holder
- 2 shall accrue and remit the city sales and use tax, if any, of the city where
- 3 the property or services is are first used, stored, consumed, or distributed.
- 4 When a direct pay permit holder purchases taxable services, the permit holder
- 5 shall accrue and remit the sales tax, if any, of the city where the services
- 6 are performed.

- 8 SECTION 59. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-75-222 is 9 amended as follows:
- 10 26-75-222. Maximum tax limitation.
- 11 (a) $\frac{1}{1}$  Any municipal general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
- 12 subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
- 13 hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price
- 14 from each single transaction, the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft,
- 15 <u>watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes</u>, and vendors
- 16 shall be responsible for collecting and remitting the tax only on the first
- 17 two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds,
- 18 or sales price from each single transaction the sale of motor vehicles,
- 19 aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.
- 20  $\frac{(2)(A)(b)(1)}{(2)(a)}$  Each vendor who is liable for one (1) or more city
- 21 sales or use taxes shall report a combined city sales tax and a combined city
- 22 use tax on his or her sales and use tax report.
- 23 (B)(2) The combined city sales tax is equal to the sum of
- 24 all sales taxes levied by a city under this subchapter or any other provision
- 25 of the Arkansas Code.
- 26  $\frac{(C)}{(3)}$  The combined city use tax is equal to the sum of
- 27 all use taxes levied by a city under this subchapter or any other provision
- 28 of the Arkansas Code.
- 29 (3)(c) This provision applies only to taxes collected by the
- 30 Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.
- 31 (b)(1)( $\Lambda$ ) The term "single transaction", as used in this section and
- 32 §§ 26-75-207 26-75-212, shall be defined by ordinance of the municipality
- 33 levying the tax.
- 34 (B)(i) Every city ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998,
- 35 which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by
- 36 this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code shall contain a

T	definition of the term "single transaction" which definition shall amend all
2	other previous ordinances defining "single transaction".
3	(ii) Provided, however, any city which adopts an
4	ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax
5	authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Gode may
6	comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single
7	transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales
8	and use tax.
9	(2) Effective January 1, 1998, the most recent definition of
10	"single transaction" adopted prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and
11	amend all previous local sales and use tax ordinances.
12	(3) It is the intent of this provision to require each city
13	which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of the
14	term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the city or county.
15	(4) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales
16	and use taxes collected by the Department of Finance and Administration.
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18	SECTION $60$ . Arkansas Code § $26-75-309(1)(D)$ , regarding the effective
19	date of ordinance, is amended as follows:
20	(D)(i) The mayor of the city shall notify the director
21	after publication of the proclamation has occurred and ninety (90) days
22	before the effective date of the tax.
23	(ii) If no election challenge is filed within this
24	the thirty (30) day challenge period, the ordinance shall become effective on
25	the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter after a minimum of
26	sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers and subsequent to after
27	the expiration of the full thirty-day period of challenge; and
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29	SECTION $61$ . Arkansas Code § $26-75-309(1)$ , regarding the effective date
30	of ordinance, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:
31	(E) The rate change shall become applicable on the first
32	day of a quarter after one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the director
33	to sellers on purchases from printed catalogs in which the purchaser computed
34	the tax based upon local tax rates published in the catalog; and
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36	SECTION 62. Arkansas Code § 26-75-311(b), concerning effective date of

1 boundary change, is amended as follows:

(b)(1) If any such city in which a local sales and use tax has been imposed in the manner provided for in this subchapter shall thereafter change or alter its boundaries, the city clerk of the city shall forward to the director, at least ninety (90) days before the effective date, a certified copy of the ordinance adding or detaching territory from the city, which shall be accompanied by a map clearly showing the territory added thereto or detached therefrom.

(2) After receipt of the ordinance and the map, the tax imposed under this subchapter shall be effective in the added territory or abolished in the detached territory on the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter following the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date that the annexation or detachment becomes effective or after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers, whichever expires last.

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16 SECTION 63. Arkansas Code § 26-75-312(a), concerning collection of 17 tax, is amended to read as follows:

- (a)(1) In each city in which a local sales and use tax has been imposed in the manner provided by this subchapter, every retailer shall add the tax imposed by the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq., and the tax imposed by this subchapter to his or her sale price, and when added, the combined tax shall:
- 24 (A) Constitute a part of the price;
- 25 (B) Be a debt of the purchaser to the retailer until paid;
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- 27 (C) Be recoverable at law in the same manner as the 28 purchase price.
- 29 (2) When the sale price in the city shall involve a fraction of a dollar, the two (2) combined taxes shall be added to the sale price 31 according to a schedule and bracket system formula established by the 32 director.
- 33 (3) A retailer shall be entitled to the same discount with 34 respect to tax remitted under this subchapter as is authorized for the 35 collection and remission of gross receipts taxes to the State of Arkansas as 36 authorized in § 26-52-503.

1 (2)(b)(1) Any fraction of one cent (1¢) of tax which is less than one-2 half of one cent (1/2 of 1¢) shall not be collected. 3 (2) Any fraction of one cent (1¢) of tax equal to one-half 4 of one cent (1/2 of 1¢) or more shall be collected as a whole cent (1¢) of 5 tax. 6 (3)(c) In the event the General Assembly or the electors of the state 7 shall either increase or decrease the rate of the state gross receipts tax, 8 the combined rate of state tax and the local sales tax shall be the sum of 9 the two (2) rates. In this event, the director may publish a schedule of the 10 taxes due with reference to sales involving a fraction of one dollar (\$1.00). 11 (b) A city shall provide in its ordinance authorized by this 12 subchapter for a rebate from the city for taxes collected pursuant to this subchapter in excess of the tax on the first two thousand five hundred 13 14 dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price from a 15 single transaction. 16 17 SECTION 64. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 75, Subchapter 3 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows: 18 19 26-75-321. Rebate. A city shall provide in its ordinance authorized by this subchapter for 20 a rebate from the city for taxes collected under this subchapter in excess of 21 22 the tax on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross 23 receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes. 24 25 26 SECTION 65. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-75-319 is 27 amended to read as follows: 28 26-75-319. Maximum tax limitation. 29 (a)(1) Any municipal general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this 30 subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price 31 32 from a single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, 33 watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes, and vendors 34 shall be responsible for collecting and remitting the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, 35 36 or sales price from a single transaction on the sale of motor vehicles,

aircraft, watercraft, modular homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes. 1 2 (2)(A) Each vendor who is liable for one (1) or more municipal 3 sales or use taxes shall report a combined city sales tax and a combined city 4 use tax on his or her sales and use tax report. 5 (B) The combined city sales tax is equal to the sum of all 6 sales taxes levied by a city under this subchapter or any other provision of 7 the Arkansas Code. 8 The combined city use tax is equal to the sum of all 9 use taxes levied by a city under this subchapter or any other provision of 10 the Arkansas Code. 11 (3) This provision applies only to taxes collected by the 12 Director of the Department of Finance and Administration. (b)(1) The term "single transaction", as used in this section, shall 13 14 be defined by ordinance. 15 (2)(A) Every city ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998, which 16 calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by this 17 subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Gode shall contain a definition of the term "single transaction" which definition shall amend all 18 19 other previous ordinances defining "single transaction". (B) Provided, however, any city which adopts an ordinance 20 21 which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by 22 this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Gode may comply with 23 this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single transaction" 24 prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales and use tax. 25 (3) The most recent definition of "single transaction" adopted 26 prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and amend all previous local sales 27 and use tax ordinances. 28 (4) It is the intent of this provision to require each city 29 which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of the 30 term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the city. 31 (5) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales 32 and use taxes collected by the department. 33 34 SECTION 66. Arkansas Code § 26-75-316(a), regarding a use tax, is 35 amended as follows:

(a) In every city in which the local sales and use tax has been

- 1 adopted pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter, there is imposed an
- 2 excise tax on the storage, use, <u>distribution</u>, or other consumption within the
- 3 city of tangible personal property and taxable services purchased, leased, or
- 4 rented from any retailer outside the state after the effective date of the
- 5 sales and use tax for storage, use, distribution, or other consumption in the
- 6 city at a rate of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) or at the rate of one
- 7 percent (1%) of the sale price of the property and services, or, in the case
- 8 of leases or rentals, of the lease or rental price, the rate of the use tax
- 9 to correspond to the rate of the sales tax portion of the tax.

- 11 SECTION 67. Arkansas Code § 26-75-404(d) and (e), concerning election 12 procedures, are amended as follows:
- 13 (d)(1) Following the election, the mayor of the city or town shall
- 14 issue a proclamation of the results of the election and the proclamation
- 15 shall be published one (1) time in a newspaper having general circulation in
- 16 the city or town.
- 17 (2)(A) If a majority of the electors voting on the issue vote
- 18 against the levy of the tax, the tax shall not be levied and the question of
- 19 the levy of a tax under this subchapter shall not again be submitted to the
- 20 electors of the city or town for one (1) year.
- 21 (B) If a majority of the electors voting on the issue vote
- 22 for the levy of the tax, the tax shall be levied and collected as provided
- 23 for in this subchapter for the period prescribed in the ordinance.
- 24 (3)(A) A person desiring to challenge the results of the
- 25 election shall file the challenge in the <del>chancery</del> <u>circuit</u> court of the county
- 26 in which the city or town is located within thirty (30) days of the date of
- 27 publication of the proclamation.
- 28 (B)(i)(a) The mayor of the city or town shall notify the
- 29 director of the rate change after publication of the proclamation has
- 30 occurred and ninety (90) days before the effective date of the tax.
- 31 <u>(b)</u> If no election challenge is filed within
- 32 this the thirty (30) day challenge period, the ordinance shall become
- 33 effective on the first day of the first month of the calendar quarter after a
- 34 minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers and after the
- 35 expiration of the thirty-day period for challenge of the results of the
- 36 election.

1 (c) In the case of purchases made from printed 2 catalogs in which the purchaser computed the tax based upon local tax rates published in the catalog, the applicable date will be the first day of the 3 4 quarter after a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the 5 director to sellers. 6 (ii) In the event of an election contest, the tax 7 shall be collected as prescribed in subdivision (d)(3)(B)(i) of this section. 8 (e)(1) If a majority of electors voting on the issue vote "FOR" the 9 levy of the tax, a copy of the mayor's proclamation of the results of the 10 election shall be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Finance 11 and Administration of the State of Arkansas within ten (10) days after the 12 election. (2)(A) At the time of transmitting the proclamation, the clerk 13 14 shall also send to the director a map of the city or town clearly showing the 15 boundaries of the city or town. 16 (B)(i) If any such city or town shall thereafter change or 17 alter its boundaries, the city or town clerk shall forward to the director ninety (90) days before the effective date of the boundary changes a 18 certified copy of the ordinance adding or detaching territory from the city 19 or town, and the ordinance shall be accompanied by a map clearly showing the 20 21 territory added or detached. 22 (ii) After receipt of the ordinance and map, the tax 23 imposed under this subchapter shall be effective in the added territory or 24 abolished in the detached territory on the first day of the first month of 25 the calendar quarter following the expiration of thirty (30) days from the 26 date that the annexation or detachment becomes effective or after a minimum 27 of sixty (60) days' notice by the director to sellers, whichever expires 28 last. 29 30 SECTION 68. Arkansas Code § 26-75-405(a), concerning items subject to 31 tax, is amended as follows: 32 (a) When any city or town levies a sales and use tax pursuant to the 33 authority granted in this subchapter, tax shall be levied upon the same sales 34 and the same items and services as are subject to taxation under the Arkansas 35 Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Tax 36 Act, § 26-53-101 et seq.

1 2 SECTION 69. Arkansas Code § 26-75-502(a), concerning authority to 3 levy, is amended as follows: 4 (a) Any city of the first or second class having a population of not 5 more than forty thousand (40,000) persons according to the most recent 6 federal census and which has been or may hereafter be designated as a model 7 city under the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 8 may, by an ordinance passed by its governing body, levy for the benefit of 9 the city a tax of not to exceed one percent (1%) on gross proceeds or gross 10 receipts derived from sales within the city, as such sales and gross proceeds 11 or gross receipts are defined in the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act, § 26-52-101 et seq., and the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq. 12 13 SECTION 70. Arkansas Code § 26-75-503(d), concerning election 14 15 requirements, is amended as follows: 16 (d)(1) If the majority vote "FOR" the ordinance, it shall be deemed to be operative on the date that the governing body of the city makes its 17 official canvass of the election returns. 18 19 (2) However, no such tax shall be collected under any such ordinance until the first day of a month calendar quarter occurring at least 20 thirty (30) days after the operative date after a minimum of sixty (60) days' 21 22 notice by the director to sellers. 23 (3) For purchases made from printed catalogs in which the 24 purchaser computed the tax based upon local tax rates published in the 25 catalog, the tax shall be collected on the first day of the quarter after a 26 minimum of one hundred twenty (120) days' notice by the director to sellers. 27 28 SECTION 71. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-81-104(a), 29 regarding the amount of tax and period of tax, is amended as follows: 30 (a)(1) Any tax levied pursuant to the authority of this chapter shall be a tax equal to one percent (1%) on the sales price on items of personal 31 32 property and services sold or to be used in the levying county, to the extent 33 of and subject to the exemptions with respect to the gross receipts tax and 34 compensating use tax as set forth in 26-52-101 et seq. and 26-53-101 et

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SECTION 72. Arkansas Code § 26-81-106(a), regarding election results,

- 1 challenge, and effective date, is amended as follows:
- 2 (a)(1) Upon certification of the election results, the county judge
- 3 shall issue a proclamation declaring the results of the election and cause
- 4 the proclamation to be published one (1) time in a newspaper having general
- 5 circulation within the county.
- 6 (2) The county judge shall notify the director of the results
- 7 after publication of the proclamation has occurred and ninety (90) days
- 8 before the effective date of the tax.
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- 10 levied, effective on the first day of the first <del>calendar</del> month <u>of the</u>
- 11 calendar quarter subsequent to after the expiration of the thirty-day
- 12 challenge period, and after a minimum of sixty (60) days' notice by the
- 13 director to sellers, a one percent (1%) tax on the gross receipts from the
- 14 sale at retail within the county on all items which are subject to the
- 15 Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, § 26-52-101 et seq., and an excise tax
- 16 on the storage, use, or consumption within the county of tangible personal
- 17 property and services purchased, leased or rented from any retailer outside
- 18 the state for storage, use, or other consumption in the county, at a rate of
- one percent (1%) of the sale price of the property or services or, in the
- 20 case of leases or rentals, of the lease or rental price, the rate of the use
- 21 tax to correspond to the rate of the sales tax portion of the tax. The use
- 22 tax portion of the local sales and use tax shall be collected according to
- 23 the terms of the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act, § 26-53-101 et seq.

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- 25 SECTION 73. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-81-
- 26 107(b)(1), regarding the record of collections and deposit with State
- 27 Treasurer, is amended as follows:
- 28 (1) Make remittances to the county for rebates made by the
- 29 county for taxes, if any, in excess of amounts specified by the particular
- 30 county ordinances paid by a taxpayer on a single transaction;

- 32 SECTION 74. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-81-
- 33 107(c)(2), regarding the record of collections and deposit with State
- 34 Treasurer, is amended as follows:
- 35 (2) The State Treasurer shall transmit monthly to the county
- 36 treasurer and to the municipal treasurer of each municipality located in a

1 county levying the tax authorized in this chapter their per capita share of

- 2 the moneys received by the State Treasurer from the tax levied by such county
- 3 and credited to the account of the county in the Local Sales and Use Tax
- 4 Trust Fund. The county treasurer of any county which has levied a sales and
- 5 use tax pursuant to this chapter and which rebates taxes paid on a single
- 6 transaction in excess of a specified amount shall monthly certify to the
- 7 State Treasurer the total amount of rebates paid since the preceding
- 8 certification, and the State Treasurer shall remit that amount to the county
- 9 treasurer from the Local Sales and Use Tax Trust Fund.

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- SECTION 75. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 26-81-110 is amended as follows:
- 13 26-81-110. Combined tax reports.
- 14 (a)(1)(A) Every city or county ordinance adopted after January 1,
  15 1998, which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax
  16 authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code
- $17 \quad {\color{red} {\sf shall \ contain \ a \ definition \ of \ the \ term \ "single \ transaction" \ which \ definition}}$
- 18 shall amend all other previous ordinances defining "single transaction".
- 19 (B) Provided, however, any county which adopts an
- 20 ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax
- 21 authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code may
- 22 comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single
- 23 transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales
- 24 and use tax.
- 25 (2) Effective January 1, 1998, the most recent definition of
- 26 "single transaction" adopted prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and
- 27 amend all previous local sales and use tax ordinances.
- 28 (3) It is the intent of this provision to require each city or 29 county which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition
- 30 of the term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the city or county.
- 31 (4) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales
- 32 and use taxes collected by the Department of Finance and Administration.
- 33 (b)(1)(a)(1) Each vendor who is liable for one (1) or more city sales
- 34 or use taxes shall report a combined city sales tax and a combined city use
- 35 tax on his or her sales and use tax report.
- 36 (2)(A) The combined city sales tax is equal to the sum of all

l sales taxes levied by a city under this subchapter or any other provision of

- 2 the Arkansas Code.
- 3 (B) The combined city use tax is equal to the sum of all
- 4 use taxes levied by a city under this subchapter or any other provision of
- 5 the Arkansas Code.
- 6 (3) This provision applies only to taxes collected by the
- 7 Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.
- 8 (4) This provision does not apply to tax collected pursuant to §
- 9 26-75-502, et seq. which shall continue to be reported separately.
- 10 (c)(b)(1) Each vendor who is liable for one (1) or more county sales
- 11 or use taxes shall report a combined county sales tax and a combined county
- 12 use tax on his or her sales and use tax report.
- 13 (2) The combined county sales tax is equal to the sum of all
- 14 sales taxes levied by a county under this subchapter or any other provision
- 15 of the Arkansas Code.
- 16 (3) The combined county use tax is equal to the sum of all use
- 17 taxes levied by a county under this subchapter or any other provision of the
- 18 Arkansas Code.
- 19 <u>(4)</u> This provision applies only to taxes collected by the
- 20 director.

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- 22 SECTION 76. Arkansas Code § 14-164-303(a)(12), pertaining to defined
- 23 terms for local bonds, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 (12) "Local sales and use tax", as used in §§ 14-164-327 14-
- 25 164-339, means a tax on the receipts from sales at retail within such
- 26 municipality or county of all items and services which are subject to
- 27 taxation under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Tax Act of 1941, as amended, § 26-
- 28 52-101 et seq., and a tax on the receipts for storing, using, or consuming
- 29 tangible personal property or taxable services under the Arkansas
- 30 Compensating Tax Act of 1949, as amended, § 26-53-101 et seq.;

- 32 SECTION 77. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 14-164-303(b),
- 33 pertaining to single transactions, is repealed.
- 34 (b)(1) As used in this subchapter, "single transaction" shall be
- 35 defined by ordinance of the county or municipality levying the tax.
- 36 (2)(Λ) Every city or county ordinance adopted after January 1,

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                (5) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales
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           SECTION 78. Arkansas Code § 14-164-329(a), pertaining to local sales
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     and use tax elections, is amended to read as follows:
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           (a) The levy of such tax shall not be effective until after the
     election has been held and the issuance of bonds has been approved by the
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     voters and the director has been given ninety (90) days notice.
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           SECTION 79. Arkansas Code § 14-164-329(b)(1), pertaining to local
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     sales and use tax elections, is amended to read as follows:
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                 (1) If no election challenge is filed within thirty (30) days of
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     the date of publication of the proclamation of the results of the election,
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     the tax shall, unless delayed as provided in subdivision (b)(3) of this
     section, become effective on the first day of the first month of the calendar
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     month quarter subsequent to after the expiration of the thirty-day period for
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SECTION 80. Arkansas Code § 14-164-329(b)(3)(C), pertaining to local

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1 sales and use tax elections, is amended to read as follows:

2 (C) The delayed effective date shall in any event be the

first day of a the first month of the calendar month quarter.

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SECTION 81. Arkansas Code § 14-164-329(c)(2), pertaining to local sales and use tax elections, is amended to read as follows:

7 (2) In order to provide for the accomplishment of the 8 administrative duties of the director and to protect the owners of the bonds, 9 the tax shall be abolished on the first day of the first month of the calendar month quarter subsequent to after the expiration of thirty (30) 10 11 ninety (90) days from the date there is filed with the director a written 12 statement signed by the chief executive officer of the municipality or county levying the tax and by the trustee for the bondholders, if a trustee is 13 serving in such capacity, identifying the tax and the bonds, wherein in which 14 15 either:

- (A) The trustee certifies that the trustee has or will have sufficient funds set aside to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds when due at maturity or at redemption prior to maturity and the municipality or county levying the tax certifies that the tax is not pledged to any other bonds of such municipality or county; or
- 21 (B) The municipality or county levying the tax certifies 22 that there are no longer any bonds outstanding payable from tax collections.

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- SECTION 82. Arkansas Code § 14-164-331, pertaining to municipal boundaries for local sales and use taxes, is amended to read as follows:
- (a) If a municipality in which a local sales and use tax has been imposed in the manner provided for in this subchapter thereafter changes or alters its boundaries, the clerk of the municipality shall <u>ninety (90) days</u> before the effective date forward to the director a certified copy of the ordinance annexing or detaching territory from the municipality and a map clearly showing the territory annexed or detached.
- (b) After the receipt of the ordinance and map, any tax imposed under this subchapter shall be effective in the added territory or abolished in the detached territory on the first day of the first month of the calendar month quarter following the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date that the annexation or detachment becomes effective and after a minimum of sixty (60)

1 days' notice by the director to sellers. 2 SECTION 83. Arkansas Code § 14-164-333(b)(1)(B), pertaining to local 3 4 sales and use taxes for capital improvement bonds, is amended to read as 5 follows: 6 (B) When the sale price in the municipality or county 7 involves a fraction of a dollar, the two combined taxes shall be added to the 8 sales price according to a schedule and bracket system formula established by 9 the director. However, a A retailer shall be entitled to the same discount 10 with respect to tax remitted under this subchapter as is authorized for the 11 collection and remission of gross receipts taxes to the state as authorized 12 in § 26-52-503. 13 SECTION 84. Arkansas Code § 14-164-333(c), pertaining to local sales 14 15 and use taxes for capital improvement bonds, is amended to read as follows: 16 (c) In the event the General Assembly, or the electors of the state, 17 shall either increase or decrease the rate of the state gross receipts tax, 18 the combined rate of the state gross receipts tax and the local sales tax 19 shall be the sum of the two (2) rates. In such event, the director may publish a schedule of taxes due with reference to sales involving a fraction 20 21 of one dollar (\$1.00). 22 SECTION 85. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 14-164-334(a), 23 24 pertaining to local sales and use taxes for capital improvement bonds, is 25 amended to read as follows: 26 (a) Any sales and use tax levied pursuant to this subchapter shall be 27 levied and collected only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars

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32 SECTION 86. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 14-164-33 334(b)(1), pertaining to local sales and use taxes for capital improvement 34 bonds, is amended to read as follows:

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transaction on the sale of motor vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, modular

homes, manufactured homes, or mobile homes.

(b)(1) For any taxpayer not subject to the levy of a use tax on taxable services or tangible personal property brought into the State of

- 1 Arkansas for storage until such property is subsequently initially used in
- 2 the State of Arkansas, the use tax portion of the local sales and use tax
- 3 authorized by this subchapter shall be computed on each purchase of the
- 4 property by the taxpayer as if all such property was subject upon purchase to
- 5 such use tax up to a maximum of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) per single
- 6 transaction but only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)
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- 11 SECTION 87. Effective January 1, 2006, Arkansas Code § 14-164-337(g), 12 pertaining to single transactions, is repealed.
- (g)(1)(A) Every city or county ordinance adopted after January 1, 1998, which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code shall contain a definition of the term "single transaction", which definition shall amend all other previous ordinances defining "single transaction".
  - (B) Provided, however, any city or county which adopts an ordinance which calls for an election to levy a local sales and use tax authorized by this subchapter or any other provision of the Arkansas Code may comply with this provision by adopting a definition of the term "single transaction" prior to the commencement of the collection of the local sales and use tax.
  - (2) Effective January 1, 1998, the most recent definition of "single transaction" adopted prior to January 1, 1998, shall apply to and amend all previous local sales and use tax ordinances.
  - (3) It is the intent of this provision to require each city or county which levies a local sales and use tax to adopt a uniform definition of the term "single transaction" for all taxes levied by the city or county.
- 30 (4) This provision is limited to ordinances levying local sales
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SECTION 88. Effective date. It is found and determined by the Eighty-fourth General Assembly that the Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement is necessary in order to stop the loss of sales tax revenue due to the rapid growth of internet sales, to level the playing field between local businesses and out-

1	of-state businesses, and to negate the undue burden on interstate commerce;
2	and that this act is necessary in order for Arkansas to be in compliance with
3	the Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement. Under the Streamlined Sales Tax
4	Agreement, when at least ten (10) states comprising at least twenty percent
5	(20%) of the total population, as determined by the 2000 Federal census, of
6	all states imposing a state sales tax have petitioned for membership and have
7	been found to be in compliance with the requirements of the agreement, the
8	agreement will become effective unless a specific effective date is otherwise
9	given. Therefore, the provisions of this act shall become effective either
10	on the effective date specified in that section or, if no effective date is
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