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## A Bill

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

an act to increase the time allowed to qualify FOR THE SALES TAX CREDIT FOR SELLING A USED MOTOR VEHICLE, TRAILER, OR SEMITRAILER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TIME ALLOWED TO
QUALIFY FOR THE SALES TAX CREDIT FOR
SELLING A USED MOTOR VEHICLE, TRAILER, OR SEMITRAILER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 26-52-510(b), pertaining to the tax on used cars, is amended as follows:
(b)(1)(A) Except as provided herein, when a used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is taken in trade as a credit or part payment on the sale of a new or used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, the tax levied by this chapter and all other gross receipts taxes levied by the state shall be paid on the net difference between the total consideration for the new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer sold and the credit for the used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer taken in trade.
(B) However, if the total consideration for the sale of the new or used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is less than two thousand five hundred dollars $(\$ 2,500)$, no tax shall be due.
(C) (i) When a used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is sold by a consumer, rather than traded-in as a credit or part payment on
the sale of a new or used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, and the consumer subsequently purchases a new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer of greater value within forty-five (45) one hundred eighty (180) days of the sale, either prior to or after the sale, the tax levied by this chapter and all other gross receipts taxes levied by the state shall be paid on the net difference between the total consideration for the new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer purchased subsequently and the amount received from the sale of the used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer sold in lieu of a trade-in.
(ii) Upon registration of the new or used motor vehicle, consumers claiming the deduction provided by § 26-52-510(b)(1)(C)(i) shall provide a bill of sale signed by all parties to the transaction which reflects the total consideration paid to the seller for the vehicle. A copy of the bill of sale shall be deposited with the revenue office at the time of registration of the new or used motor vehicle. The deduction provided by this section shall not be allowed unless the taxpayer claiming the deduction provides a copy of a bill of sale signed by all parties to the transaction which reflects the total consideration paid to the seller for the vehicle.
(iii) If the taxpayer claiming the deduction
provided in this section fails to provide a bill of sale signed by all parties to the transaction which reflects the total consideration paid to the seller for the vehicle, tax shall be due on the total consideration paid for the new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer without any deduction for the value of the item sold.
(2)(A)(i) When a motor vehicle dealer removes a vehicle from its inventory and the vehicle is used by the dealership as a service vehicle, the dealer shall register the vehicle, obtain a certificate of title, and pay sales tax on the listed retail price of the new vehicle.
(ii) When the motor vehicle dealer returns the service vehicle to inventory as a used vehicle and replaces it with a new vehicle for dealership use as a service vehicle, the dealer shall pay sales tax on the difference between the listed retail price of the new service vehicle to be used by the dealership and the value of the used service vehicle being returned to inventory. The value of the used service vehicle shall be the highest listed wholesale price reflected in the most current edition of the National Automotive Dealers' Association's Official Used Car

Guide.
(B) (i) For purposes of this subsection, the term "service vehicle" means a motor vehicle driven exclusively by an employee of the dealership and used either to transport dealership customers or dealership parts and equipment.
(ii) "Service vehicle" does not include motor vehicles which are rented by the dealership, used as demonstration vehicles, used by dealership employees for personal use, or used to haul or pull other vehicles.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-53-126(b), pertaining to the tax on used cars, is amended as follows:
(b)(l) When a used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is taken in trade as a credit or part payment on the sale of a new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, the tax levied herein and all other use taxes levied by the state shall be paid on the net difference between the total consideration for the new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer sold and the credit for the used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer taken in trade.
(2) However, if the total consideration for the sale of the new or used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is less than two thousand five hundred dollars $(\$ 2,500)$, no tax shall be due.
(3)(A) When a used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is sold by a consumer, rather than traded in as a credit or part payment on the sale of a new or used motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, and the consumer subsequently purchases a new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer of greater value within forty-five (45) one hundred eighty (180) days of the sale, either prior to or after such sale, the tax levied by this chapter and all other gross receipts taxes levied by the state shall be paid on the net difference between the total consideration for the new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer purchased subsequently and the amount received from the sale of the used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer sold in lieu of a trade-in.
(B) Upon registration of the new or used motor vehicle, consumers claiming the deduction provided by § 26-53-126(b)(3)(A) shall provide a bill of sale signed by all parties to the transaction which reflects the total consideration paid to the seller for the vehicle. A copy
of the bill of sale shall be deposited with the revenue office at the time of registration of the new or used motor vehicle. The deduction provided by this section shall not be allowed unless the taxpayer claiming the deduction provides a copy of a bill of sale signed by all parties to the transaction which reflects the total consideration paid to the seller for the vehicle.
(C) If the taxpayer claiming the deduction provided in this section fails to provide a bill of sale signed by all parties to the transaction which reflects the total consideration paid to the seller for the vehicle, tax shall be due on the total consideration paid for the new or used vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer without any deduction for the value of the item sold.

