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8	SYNOPSIS: This bill would update sections of the code
9	related to statutorily exempt entities to include
10	only those that have obtained and are retaining a
11	current certificate of exemption as required by
12	law.
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14	A BILL
15	TO BE ENTITLED
16	AN ACT
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18	Relating to sales and use taxes; to update the code
19	sections related to statutorily exempt entities to include
20	only those that have obtained and are retaining a current
21	certificate of exemption.
22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
23	Section 1. Sections 40-9-12, 40-9-13, 40-9-25 and
24	40-23-5, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended by Act 2018-568 of
25	the 2018 Regular Session, is amended to read as follows:
2.6	"\$40-9-12.

"(a) The National Foundation's Alabama Field Offices, all Young Men's Hebrew Associations (Y.M.H.A.) also known as Jewish Community Centers (J.C.C.), and all real and personal property of all Young Men's Hebrew Associations (Y.M.H.A.) also known as Jewish Community Centers (J.C.C.), the Seamen's Home of Mobile, incorporated under Act No. 145, Acts of Alabama 1844-45, the Girl Scouts of America and the Boy Scouts of America, and any council, troop or other subdivision thereof now existing or hereafter created and all real and personal property of the Girl Scouts of America and the Boy Scouts of America, and any council, troop or other subdivision thereof now existing or hereafter created, the Catholic Maritime Club of Mobile, Inc., the Knights of Pythias Lodges, the Salvation Army, Inc., the Elks Memorial Center, and all real and personal property of the Salvation Army, Inc., and the Elks Memorial Center, all United Way organizations and United Way member agencies in Alabama, other qualifying united appeal funds and their recipients as provided in subsection (d), and the real and personal property of all United Way organizations and United Way member agencies in Alabama, other qualifying united appeal funds and their recipients as provided in subsection (d), and the Alabama Masonic Home, the American Cancer Society, and all real and personal property of American Cancer Society, the New Hope Industries of Dothan, and all real and personal property of the New Hope Industries of Dothan, the Helping Hand Club of Anniston, and all real and personal property of the Helping

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Hand Club of Anniston, Childhaven, Inc., and all real and personal property of Childhaven, Inc., Presbyterian Home for Children and all real and personal property of Presbyterian Home for Children, Freewill Baptist Children's Home and all real and personal property of Freewill Baptist Children's Home, Methodist Homes for the Aging and all real and personal property of Methodist Homes for the Aging, and United Methodist Children's Home and all real and personal property of United Methodist Children's Home, Birmingham Building Trades Towers of Birmingham, Alabama, a nonprofit corporation, the Holy Comforter House, Inc., of Gadsden, Alabama, a nonprofit corporation, the University of Alabama Huntsville Foundation and all real and personal property of the University of Alabama Huntsville Foundation, the Birmingham Football Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, and all real and personal property of the Birmingham Football Foundation, Inc., and of any branch or department of any of same heretofore or hereafter organized and existing in good faith in the State of Alabama, for other than pecuniary gain and not for individual profit, when such real or personal property shall be used by such associations or nonprofit corporations, their branches or departments in and about the conducting, maintaining, operating and carrying out of the program, work, principles, objectives, and policies of such associations or nonprofit corporations, their branches or departments, in any city or county of the State of Alabama, are exempt from the payment of any and all state, county, and

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1	municipal taxes, licenses, fees, and charges of any nature
2	whatsoever, including any privilege or excise tax heretofore
3	or hereafter levied by the State of Alabama or any county or
4	municipality thereof. (a) The following entities and any
5	branch or department of any of the same hereto or hereafter
6	organized and existing in good faith in the State of Alabama
7	for other than pecuniary gain and not for individual profit
8	and all real and personal property thereof, when such real or
9	personal property shall be used by such association or
10	nonprofit corporations, their branches or departments in and
11	about the conducting, maintaining, operating and carrying out
12	of the program, work, principles, objectives, and policies of
13	such associations or nonprofit corporations, their branches or
14	departments, in any municipality or county of the State of
15	Alabama are exempt from the payment and collection of any and
16	all state, county, and municipal taxes, licenses, fees, and
17	charges of any nature whatsoever, including any privilege or
18	excise tax heretofore or hereafter levied by the State of
19	Alabama or any county or municipality thereof:
20	"(1) The National Foundation's Alabama Field
21	Offices,
22	"(2) All Young Men's Hebrew Associations (Y.M.H.A)
23	also known as Jewish Community Centers (J.C.C), and all real
24	and personal property of all Young Men's Hebrew Associations
25	(Y.M.H.A) also known as Jewish Community Centers (J.C.C.),

1	"(3) The Girl Scouts of American and the Boy Scouts
2	of America, and any council, troop or other subdivision
3	thereof now existing or hereafter created,
4	"(4) The Knights of Pythias Lodges,
5	"(5) The Salvation Army, Inc., and all real and
6	personal property of the Salvation Army, Inc.,
7	"(6) All United Way Organizations and United Way
8	member agencies in Alabama, other qualifying united appeal
9	funds and their recipients as provided in subsection (e), and
10	the real and personal property of all United Way Organizations
11	and United Way member agencies in Alabama, other qualifying
12	united appeal funds and their recipients as provided in
13	subsection (e),
14	"(7) The Alabama Masonic Home,
15	"(8) The American Cancer Society, and all real and
16	personal property of American Cancer Society,
17	"(9) The Wiregrass Rehabilitation Center, Inc., and
18	all real and personal property of the Wiregrass Rehabilitation
19	<pre>Center, Inc.,</pre>
20	"(10) The Helping Hand Club of Anniston, and all
21	real and personal property of the Helping Hand Club of
22	Anniston,
23	"(11) Childhaven, Inc., and all real and personal
24	property of Childhaven, Inc.,
25	"(12) Presbyterian Home for children and all real
26	and personal property of Presbyterian Home for Children

1	"(13) Freewill Baptist Children's Home and all real
2	and personal property of Freewill Baptist Children's Home,
3	"(14) Methodist Homes for the Aging and all real and
4	personal property of Methodist Homes for the Aging,
5	"(15) United Methodist Children's Home and all real
6	and personal property of United Methodist Children's Home,
7	"(16) The Holy Comforter House, Inc., of Gadsden,
8	Alabama, a nonprofit corporation,
9	"(17) The University of Alabama Huntsville
10	Foundation and all real and personal property of the
11	University of Alabama Huntsville Foundation.
12	"(18) The Alabama Sports Council.
13	"(19) Boys and Girls Ranches of Alabama Inc.,
14	"(20) The Eufaula Heritage Association.
15	"(b) The receipt, assessment or collection of any
16	fee, admission, service charge, rent, dues, or any other item
17	or charge by any such association or nonprofit corporation,
18	its branches or departments from any person, firm, or
19	corporation for any services rendered by any such association
20	or nonprofit corporation, its branches or departments or for
21	the use or occupancy of any real or personal property of any
22	such association or nonprofit corporation, its branches or
23	departments in or about the conducting, maintaining,
24	operating, and carrying out of the program, work, principles,
25	objectives, and policies of any such association or nonprofit
26	corporation, its branches, or departments shall not be held or
27	construed by any court, agency, officer, or commission of the

State of Alabama, or any county or municipality thereof, to constitute pecuniary gain or individual profit by any such association or nonprofit corporation, its branches or departments, or the doing of business in such a manner as to prejudice or defeat, in any manner, the right and privilege of any such association or nonprofit corporation, its branches or departments to claim or rely upon or receive the exemption of such association or nonprofit corporation, its branches or departments and of all real and personal property thereof from taxation, as herein provided.

"(b) (c) With respect to gasoline, tobacco, playing card tax or any other tax required by law to be prepaid by the retailer, the associations, nonprofit corporations, or organizations exempt under this section shall pay the appropriate tax at the time purchases are made, and the amount of such tax shall be refunded to such associations, nonprofit corporations, or organizations by the Department of Revenue pursuant to the procedures for refunds provided in Chapter 2A of this title.

- "(c) (d) For purposes of this section, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:
- "(1) SUPPORTED CHARITY. Any charitable, civic, or eleemosynary institution for which a united appeal fund solicits funds.
- "(2) UNITED APPEAL FUND. Any nonprofit entity that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Department of Revenue that it has all of the following characteristics:

"a. Is an Alabama nonprofit corporation, or another
type of legal entity, whether formed in Alabama or in another
jurisdiction, which is required by its principal governing
documents to be operated as a charity.

- "b. Is one of a class, donations to which are deductible for federal and Alabama income tax purposes under Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- "c. Has as its principal purpose, as stated by its principal governing documents, the raising of funds or the aggregation or consolidation of fund raising efforts, to support other charities which are not themselves united appeal funds, known as supported charities.
- "d. Has been issued a Certificate of Exemption from Alabama sales, use, and lodgings tax prior to July 1, 2017, and has continually maintained the Certificate of Exemption as required by Section 40-9-60.
- "e. With respect to the distribution of funds raised by the united appeal fund, the entity's principle governing documents must require that no supported charity, as defined in this subsection, will receive de minimis support.
- "(3) UNITED WAY MEMBER AGENCY. Any nonprofit organization that receives more than a de minimis amount of funding through the approval of the board of a United Way organization, but only if the nonprofit organization is:
- "a. Accountable to the granting United Way organization for the expenditure of any funds received from such United Way organization.

- "b. Included on a list of such nonprofit

 organizations to be submitted to the Department of Revenue

 under subsection (e) (f) by all United Way organizations on or

 before a date provided for in a rule of the Department of

 Revenue.
 - "(4) UNITED WAY ORGANIZATION. Any nonprofit corporation legally authorized and licensed to operate under the name United Way and use the name United Way and the associated logo and trademarks.
 - "(d) (e) (1) Each supported charity must be separately identified by name in the principal governing documents of the united appeal fund entity, and by name and federal employer identification number at the request of the Department of Revenue. Each supported charity must agree, in its own principal governing documents, to become or remain a member of the united appeal fund that funded the supported charity.
 - "(2) The special rules provided in this subsection shall not apply to any United Way organization or any United Way member agency.
 - " $\frac{\text{(e)}}{\text{(f)}}$ (1) Each United Way organization shall provide the Department of Revenue with a list of its constituent United Way member agencies on an annual basis.
 - "(2) The Department of Revenue, by rule, shall provide the date on which United Way organizations shall submit the list required by this subsection.
- 27 "\$40-9-13.

	" (a) All volunteer fire departments in this state,
and all :	real and personal property of all volunteer fire
departme	nts in this state, the Alabama Society of the
Daughter:	s of the American Revolution, and all real and
personal	property of the Alabama Society of the Daughters of
the Amer	ican Revolution, the Annual Shrine Circus as well as
all othe:	r charitable Shrine amusement and fund raising events,
and all :	real and personal property of the Annual Shrine
Circus,	the Episcopal Foundation of Jefferson County, and all
real and	personal property of the Episcopal Foundation of
Jefferso	n County, the Alabama Heart Association and all real
and perso	onal property of the Alabama Heart Association, and
the Pres	byterian Apartments, Incorporated, and all real and
personal	property of the Presbyterian Apartments,
Incorpora	ated, when such real and personal property shall be
used as p	provided in Section 40-9-12, are exempt from the
payment d	of any and all state, county and municipal taxes,
licenses	, fees and charges of any nature whatsoever, including
any priv	ilege or excise tax heretofore or hereafter levied by
the State	e of Alabama or any county or municipality thereof.
(a) The	following entities , and all real and personal
property	of the following entities, when such real and
personal	property shall be used as provided in Section
40-9-12,	are exempt from the payment and collection of any and
all state	e, county and municipal taxes, licenses, fees and
charges o	of any nature whatsoever, including any privilege or

1	excise tax hereto or hereafter levied by the State of Alabama
2	or any county or municipality thereof:
3	"(1) All volunteer fire departments that have been
4	certified by the Alabama Forestry Commission,
5	"(2) The Alabama Society of the Daughters of the
6	American Revolution,
7	"(3) The Annual Shrine Circus as well as all other
8	charitable Shrine amusement and fundraising events,
9	"(4) The Episcopal Foundation of Jefferson County,
10	"(5) The Presbyterian Apartments, Incorporated.
11	"(b) All entities listed under subsection (a)
12	volunteer fire departments in this state, the Alabama Society
13	of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Annual Shrine
14	Circus as well as all other charitable Shrine amusement and
15	fund raising events, the Episcopal Foundation of Jefferson
16	County, the Alabama Heart Association and the Presbyterian
17	Apartments, Incorporated, shall be subject to all the
18	provisions of Section 40-9-12, as are all other organizations
19	named therein.
20	" §40-9-25.
21	"The George Lindsey Celebrity Benefit, Inc., and the
22	Alabama Special Olympics of Alabama Inc., or any predecessor
23	organizations or <u>entity</u> entities , <u>is</u> are hereby exempt from
24	paying any state, county or municipality sales or use taxes.
25	" §40-23-5.
26	"(a) The Diabetes Trust Fund, Inc., and any of its
7 7	branches or agencies benetofore or beneather organized and

existing in good faith in the State of Alabama for purposes

therefore than for pecuniary gain and not for individual profit,

are hereby exempted from paying any state, county, or

municipal sales or use taxes.

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"(b) The Chilton County Rescue Squad is hereby exempted from paying any sales or use taxes.

"(c) The state headquarters only of the American
Legion, the American Veterans of World War II, Korea, and
Vietnam, also known as AMVETS, the Disabled American Veterans,
the Veterans of Foreign Wars, also known as VFW, Alabama
Goodwill Industries, and the Alabama Sight Conservation
Association are hereby exempted from paying any state, county,
or municipal sales or use taxes.

"(d) The Grand Chapter of all Orders of the Eastern
Star and the South Alabama State Fair Association Southeastern
Livestock Exposition of the State of Alabama and any of its
agencies, heretofore or hereafter organized and existing in
good faith in the State of Alabama for purposes other than for
pecuniary gain and not for individual profit, are hereby
exempted from paying any state, county, or municipal sales and
use taxes.

"(e) The Alabama Goodwill Industries, Inc., of
Birmingham is hereby exempted from paying any state,
municipal, or county sales and use taxes.

"(f) The Alabama Federation of Women's Clubs is hereby exempted from paying any state, county, or municipal sales or use taxes.

Τ	(g) The National Conference of State Legislatures
2	and the Council of State Governments are hereby exempted from
3	paying any state, county, or municipal sales or use taxes.
4	"(h) All blind vendors associated with the Business
5	Enterprise Program of the Department of Rehabilitation
6	Services are hereby exempted from paying any state, county, or
7	municipal sales or use taxes.
8	"(i) All vendors who are blind as defined by Section
9	1-1-3, and who are certified by the Department of
10	Rehabilitation Services, are hereby exempted from paying any
11	state, county, or municipal sales or use taxes.
12	" (j) The Elks Club, B.P.O.E., No. 1887, a
13	corporation, is hereby exempted from paying any state, county,
14	or municipal sales or use taxes. Provided, however, that the
15	exemption provided by this subsection shall not extend to any
16	bar or dining room operation conducted by the Elks Club.
17	"(k) The King's Ranch, Inc., is hereby exempted from
18	paying any state, county, or municipal sales or use taxes.
19	"(1) The Eye Foundation, Inc., and any of its
20	branches or agencies, heretofore, or hereafter organized and
21	existing in good faith in the State of Alabama for purposes
22	other than for pecuniary gain and not for individual profit,
23	are hereby exempted from paying any state, county, or
24	municipal sales or use taxes.
25	"(m) Any county public hospital association or any
26	Alabama nonprofit membership corporation if one or more of its
27	members is a county public hospital association, and any of

its, or their, branches, agencies, lessees, or successors organized pursuant to Section 10-3A-1 et seq., and which operates or maintains hospitals for purposes other than for pecuniary gain and not for individual profit, is hereby exempted from paying any state, county, or municipal sales and use tax of any nature whatsoever. Any of the taxes which were or may be assessed or collected subsequent to December 31, 1993, against any Alabama nonprofit membership corporation or any lessee of any county public hospital association organized as herein stated, pursuant to a lease in writing, will be remitted to the entity which paid them; and no action or proceeding against the association or nonprofit corporation may be instituted after the date by the State of Alabama or any county or municipality thereof or any agent or person acting on behalf thereof for the collection or enforcement of any sales or use tax of any nature whatsoever.

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"(n) There is hereby exempted from all state, county, and municipal sales taxes the sale of food pursuant to the food distribution program conducted by Christian Service Mission, Inc., an Alabama not-for-profit corporation, in cooperation with World Share, Inc., to enable needy persons to purchase food at substantially discounted prices and in consideration of the performance of charitable or community work by such persons.

"(o) Rescue service organizations operating within the State of Alabama which are exempt from federal income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, \$501(c)(3) and

1	which are members of the Alabama Rescue Services Association,
2	Incorporated, are hereby exempted from any state, county, and
3	municipal sales and use taxes.
4	" (p) Alabama Goodwill Industries, Inc., Goodwill
5	Industries of Mobile Area, Inc., and Goodwill Industries of
6	Central Alabama, Inc., are exempted from paying any state,
7	county, and municipal sales or use taxes.
8	" (q) The gross receipts from the sale of admissions
9	to a sporting event conducted by the Senior Professional
10	Golfers Association are exempted from any state, county, and
11	municipal sales taxes.
12	"(r) Volunteer, non-profit rescue units operating
13	within the state which do not meet the criteria in subsection
14	(o) but are licensed by the State Board of Health are exempt
15	from any state, county, and municipal sales and use taxes.
16	" (s)(1) The Birmingham Zoo, Inc., is exempt from
17	paying any state, county, and municipal sales and use taxes
18	associated with any and all capital expenditures but shall
19	continue to collect and remit all other taxes to the
20	appropriate taxing authorities.
21	"(2) The exemption provided pursuant to subdivision
22	(1) shall be available until September 30, 2022.
23	"(3) The Birmingham Zoo, Inc., shall report annually
24	to the Department of Revenue on the sales for which the
25	exemption is granted. The Department of Revenue shall
26	prescribe the format of such annual report.

1	" (t)(1) The Zoo Foundation, Inc., operating as the
2	Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo, or any successor entity, is exempt
3	from paying any state, county, and municipal sales and use
4	taxes associated with any and all capital expenditures;
5	provided, however, that any exemption of county sales and use
6	taxes must first be authorized by resolution of the county
7	commission. The Zoo Foundation, Inc., shall continue to
8	collect and remit all other taxes to the appropriate taxing
9	authorities.
10	"(2) The exemption provided pursuant to subdivision
11	(1) shall be available until September 30, 2022.
12	"(3) The Zoo Foundation, Inc., shall report annually
13	to the Department of Revenue on the sales for which the
14	exemption is granted. The Department of Revenue shall
15	prescribe the format of the annual report.
16	" (u) The Josh Willingham Foundation is exempted from
17	paying any state, county, and municipal sales and use taxes.
18	"(a) The following entities are hereby exempt from
19	paying and collecting any state, county, or municipal sales or
20	<pre>use taxes:</pre>
21	"(1) The Chilton County Rescue Squad,
22	"(2) The state headquarters only of the American
23	Legion,
24	"(3) The American Veterans of World War II, Korea,
25	and Vietnam, also known as AMVETS,
26	"(4) The Alabama Goodwill Industries, Inc.,

1	"(5) The Alabama Lions Sight Conservation
2	Association, Inc.,
3	"(6) The Grand Chapter of all Orders of the Eastern
4	Star,
5	"(7) The South Alabama State Fair Association
6	Southeastern Livestock Exposition of the State of Alabama and
7	any of its agencies,
8	"(8) The Alabama Goodwill Industries, Inc., of
9	Birmingham,
10	"(9) The Alabama Federation of Women's Clubs,
11	"(10) The Council of State Governments,
12	"(11) All blind vendors associated with the Business
13	Enterprise Program of the Department of Rehabilitation
14	Services,
15	"(12) All vendors who are blind as defined by
16	Section 1-1-3, Code of Alabama 1975, and who are certified by
17	the Department of Rehabilitation Services,
18	"(13) The Elks Club, B.P.O.E., No. 1887, excluding
19	any bar or dining room operation conducted by the Elks Club,
20	"(14) The King's Home, Inc.,.
21	"(15) a. Any county public hospital association or
22	any Alabama nonprofit membership corporation if one or more of
23	its members is a county public hospital association, and any
24	of its, or their, branches, agencies, lessees, or successors
25	organized pursuant to Section 10-3A-1 et seq., and which
26	operates or maintains hospitals for purposes other than for
27	pecuniary gain and not for individual profit.

Τ	"b. Any of the taxes which were or may be assessed
2	or collected subsequent to December 31, 1993, against any
3	Alabama nonprofit membership corporation or any lessee of any
4	county public hospital association organized as herein stated,
5	pursuant to a lease in writing, will be remitted to the entity
6	which paid them; and no action or proceeding against the
7	association or nonprofit corporation may be instituted after
8	the date by the State of Alabama or any county or municipality
9	thereof or any agent or person acting on behalf thereof for
10	the collection or enforcement of any sales or use tax of any
11	nature whatsoever.
12	"(16) Rescue service organization operating within
13	the State of Alabama which are exempt from federal income
14	taxes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, §501(c)(3) and
15	which are members of the Alabama Rescue Services Association,
16	<pre>Incorporated,</pre>
17	"(17) Goodwill Industries of Mobile Area, Inc.,
18	"(18) Goodwill Industries of Central Alabama, Inc.,
19	"(19) Volunteer, non-profit rescue units operating
20	within the state which do not meet the criteria in subdivision
21	(16) but are licensed by the State Board of Health,
22	"(20) The Josh Willingham Foundation.
23	"(b) There is hereby exempted from all state,
24	county, and municipal sales taxes the sale of food pursuant to
25	the food distribution program conducted by Christian Service
26	Mission, Inc., an Alabama not-for-profit corporation, in
27	cooperation with World Share, Inc., to enable needy persons to

Τ	purchase food at substantially discounted prices and in
2	consideration of the performance of charitable or community
3	work by such persons.
4	"(c) The gross receipts from the sale of admissions
5	to a sporting event conducted by the Senior Professional
6	Golfers Association are exempted from any state, county, and
7	municipal sales taxes.
8	"(d)(1) The Birmingham Zoo, Inc., is exempt from
9	paying any state, county, and municipal sales and use taxes
10	associated with any and all capital expenditures but shall
11	continue to collect and remit all other taxes to the
12	appropriate taxing authorities.
13	"(2) The exemption provided pursuant to subdivision
14	(1) shall be available until September 30, 2022.
15	"(3) The Birmingham Zoo, Inc., shall report annually
16	to the Department of Revenue on the sales for which the
17	exemption is granted. The Department of Revenue shall
18	prescribe the format of such annual report.
19	"(e)(1) The Zoo Foundation, Inc., operating as the
20	Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo, or any successor entity, is exempt
21	from paying any state, county, and municipal sales and use
22	taxes associated with any and all capital expenditures;
23	provided, however, that any exemption of county sales and use
24	taxes must first be authorized by resolution of the county
25	commission. The Zoo Foundation, Inc., shall continue to
26	collect and remit all other taxes to the appropriate taxing
27	authorities.

1	"(2) The exemption provided pursuant to subdivision
2	(1) shall be available until September 30, 2022.
3	"(3) The Zoo Foundation, Inc., shall report annually
4	to the Department of Revenue on the sales for which the
5	exemption is granted. The Department of Revenue shall
6	prescribe the format of the annual report."
7	Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
8	first day of the third month following its passage and
9	approval by the Governor or its otherwise becoming law