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8	SYNOPSIS: Under current law, sales tax exemptions and
9	use tax exemptions are not consistent with each
10	other. This bill standardizes sales and use tax
11	exemptions in order to provide uniformity for
12	taxpayers by aligning current exemptions and
13	incorporating certain sales tax exemptions into the
14	use tax law. This bill provides further for the
15	sales of photographs and commissioned portraits.
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17	A BILL
18	TO BE ENTITLED
19	AN ACT
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21	To amend Sections 40-23-4, Code of Alabama 1975, to
22	provide an exemption for gross receipts occurring from the
23	services provided by photographers and commissioned portrait
24	artists; and to amend Section 40-23-62, Code of Alabama 1975;
25	relating to exemptions from use tax.
26	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Sections 40-23-4 and 40-23-62, Code of
 Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

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"§40-23-4.

4 "(a) There are exempted from the provisions of this
5 division and from the computation of the amount of the tax
6 levied, assessed, or payable under this division the
7 following:

8 "(1) The gross proceeds of the sales of lubricating 9 oil and gasoline as defined in Sections 40-17-30 and 40-17-170 10 and the gross proceeds from those sales of lubricating oil 11 destined for out-of-state use which are transacted in a manner 12 whereby an out-of-state purchaser takes delivery of such oil 13 at a distributor's plant within this state and transports it 14 out-of-state, which are otherwise taxed.

15 "(2) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of 16 fertilizer when used for agricultural purposes. The word 17 "fertilizer" shall not be construed to include cottonseed 18 meal, when not in combination with other materials.

19 "(3) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of 20 seeds for planting purposes and baby chicks and poults. 21 Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from 22 the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the 23 gross proceeds of the sale or sales of plants, seedlings, 24 nursery stock, or floral products.

"(4) The gross proceeds of sales of insecticides and
 fungicides when used for agricultural purposes or when used by
 persons properly permitted by the Department of Agriculture

and Industries or any applicable local or state governmental authority for structural pest control work and feed for livestock and poultry, but not including prepared food for dogs and cats.

5 "(5) The gross proceeds of sales of all livestock by whomsoever sold, and also the gross proceeds of poultry and 6 7 other products of the farm, dairy, grove, or garden, when in 8 the original state of production or condition of preparation for sale, when such sale or sales are made by the producer or 9 10 members of his immediate family or for him by those employed 11 by him to assist in the production thereof. Nothing herein 12 shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure or computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable hereunder, 13 the gross proceeds of sales of poultry or poultry products 14 when not products of the farm. 15

16 "(6) Cottonseed meal exchanged for cottonseed at or17 by cotton gins.

18 "(7) The gross receipts from the business on which, 19 or for engaging in which, a license or privilege tax is levied 20 by or under the provisions of Sections 40-21-50, 40-21-53, and 40-21-56 through 40-21-60; provided, that nothing contained in 21 22 this subdivision shall be construed to exempt or relieve the person or persons operating the business enumerated in said 23 24 sections from the payments of the tax levied by this division 25 upon or measured by the gross proceeds of sales of any 26 tangible personal property, except gas and water, the gross 27 receipts from the sale of which are the measure of the tax

levied by said Section 40-21-50, merchandise or other tangible
 commodities sold at retail by said persons, unless the gross
 proceeds of sale thereof are otherwise specifically exempted
 by the provisions of this division.

5 "(8) The gross proceeds of sales or gross receipts 6 of or by any person, firm, or corporation, from the sale of 7 transportation, gas, water, or electricity, of the kinds and 8 natures, the rates and charges for which, when sold by public 9 utilities, are customarily fixed and determined by the Public 10 Service Commission of Alabama or like regulatory bodies.

11 "(9) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales of 12 wood residue, coal, or coke to manufacturers, electric power 13 companies, and transportation companies for use or consumption in the production of by-products, or the generation of heat or 14 15 power used in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale, for the generation of electric power or energy for use 16 17 in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale or for 18 resale, or for the generation of motive power for 19 transportation.

20 "(10) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales of 21 fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard ships, 22 vessels, towing vessels, or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or 23 barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, or other watercraft 24 (herein for purposes of this exemption being referred to as 25 "vessels") engaged in foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce; provided, that nothing in this division 26 27 shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure of

the tax herein levied the gross proceeds of sale or sales of material and supplies to any person for use in fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair, or reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships, other watercraft, and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

"For purposes of this subdivision, it shall be 8 presumed that vessels engaged in the transportation of cargo 9 10 between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign 11 countries or possessions or territories of the United States 12 or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other 13 states are engaged in foreign or international commerce or 14 interstate commerce, as the case may be. For the purposes of 15 this subdivision, the engaging in foreign or international 16 commerce or interstate commerce shall not require that the 17 vessel involved deliver cargo to or receive cargo from a port 18 in the State of Alabama. For purposes of this subdivision, 19 vessels carrying passengers for hire, and no cargo, between 20 ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries 21 or possessions or territories of the United States or between 22 ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states shall 23 be engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate 24 commerce, as the case may be, if, and only if, both of the 25 following conditions are met: (i) The vessel in question is a 26 vessel of at least 100 gross tons; and (ii) the vessel in 27 question has an unexpired certificate of inspection issued by

the United States Coast Guard or by the proper authority of a 1 2 foreign country for a foreign vessel, which certificate is recognized as acceptable under the laws of the United States. 3 4 Vessels which are engaged in foreign or international commerce 5 or interstate commerce shall be deemed for the purposes of this subdivision to remain in such commerce while awaiting or 6 7 under repair in a port of the State of Alabama if such vessel returns after such repairs are completed to engaging in 8 foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce. For 9 10 purposes of this subdivision, seismic or geophysical vessels 11 which are engaged either in seismic or geophysical tests or 12 evaluations exclusively in offshore federal waters or in 13 traveling to or from conducting such tests or evaluations shall be deemed to be engaged in international or foreign 14 commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, proof that fuel 15 16 and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in 17 18 interstate commerce may be accomplished by the merchant or 19 seller securing the duly signed certificate of the vessel 20 owner, operator, or captain or their respective agent on a 21 form prescribed by the department that the fuel and supplies 22 purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in 23 foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce. 24 Any person filing a false certificate shall be quilty of a 25 misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than 26 \$25 nor more than \$500 for each offense. Each false 27 certificate filed shall constitute a separate offense. Any

person filing a false certificate shall be liable to the 1 2 department for all taxes imposed by this division upon the merchant or seller, together with any interest or penalties 3 thereon, by reason of the sale or sales of fuel and supplies 4 5 applicable to such false certificate. If a merchant or seller of fuel and supplies secures the certificate herein mentioned, 6 7 properly completed, such merchant or seller shall not be 8 liable for the taxes imposed by this division, if such merchant or seller had no knowledge that such certificate was 9 10 false when it was filed with such merchant or seller.

"(11) The gross proceeds of sales of tangible
personal property to the State of Alabama, to the counties
within the state and to incorporated municipalities of the
State of Alabama.

15 "(12) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of 16 railroad cars, vessels, barges, and commercial fishing vessels 17 of over five tons load displacement as registered with the 18 U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama 19 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, when sold by 20 the manufacturers or builders thereof.

"(13) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of materials, equipment, and machinery which, at any time, enter into and become a component part of ships, vessels, towing vessels or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, other watercraft and commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the

State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural 1 Resources. Additionally, the gross proceeds from the sale or 2 sales of lifeboats, personal flotation devices, ring life 3 buoys, survival craft equipment, distress signals, EPIRB's, 4 5 fire extinguishers, injury placards, waste management plans and logs, marine sanitation devices, navigation rulebooks, 6 7 navigation lights, sound signals, navigation day shapes, oil placard cards, garbage placards, FCC SSL, stability 8 instructions, first aid equipment, compasses, anchor and radar 9 10 reflectors, general alarm systems, bilge pumps, piping, and 11 discharge and electronic position fixing devices which are 12 used on the aforementioned watercraft.

"(14) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of fuel oil purchased as fuel for kiln use in manufacturing establishments.

16 "(15) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of 17 tangible personal property to county and city school boards 18 within the State of Alabama, independent school boards within 19 the State of Alabama, all educational institutions and 20 agencies of the State of Alabama, the counties within the 21 state, or any incorporated municipalities of the State of 22 Alabama, and private educational institutions operating within 23 the State of Alabama offering conventional and traditional 24 courses of study, such as those offered by public schools, 25 colleges, or universities within the State of Alabama; but not 26 including nurseries, day care centers, and home schools.

"(16) The gross proceeds from the sale of all 1 2 devices or facilities, and all identifiable components thereof, or materials for use therein, acquired primarily for 3 the control, reduction, or elimination of air or water 4 5 pollution and the gross proceeds from the sale of all identifiable components of or materials used or intended for 6 7 use in structures built primarily for the control, reduction, or elimination of air and water pollution. 8

9 "(17) The gross proceeds of sales of tangible 10 personal property or the gross receipts of any business which 11 the state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution or 12 laws of the United States or under the Constitution of this 13 state.

14 "(18) When dealers or distributors use parts taken 15 from stocks owned by them in making repairs without charge for 16 such parts to the owner of the property repaired pursuant to 17 warranty agreements entered into by manufacturers, such use 18 shall not constitute taxable sales to the manufacturers, 19 distributors, or to the dealers, under this division or under 20 any county sales tax law.

"(19) The gross proceeds received from the sale or furnishing of food, including potato chips, candy, fruit and similar items, soft drinks, tobacco products, and stationery and other similar or related articles by hospital canteens operated by Alabama state hospitals at Bryce Hospital and Partlow State School for Mental Deficients at Tuscaloosa,

Alabama, and Searcy Hospital at Mt. Vernon, Alabama, for the
 benefit of the patients therein.

"(20) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of 3 4 wrapping paper and other wrapping materials when used in 5 preparing poultry or poultry products for delivery, shipment, or sale by the producer, processor, packer, or seller of such 6 7 poultry or poultry products, including pallets used in shipping poultry and egg products, paper or other materials 8 used for lining boxes or other containers in which poultry or 9 10 poultry products are packed together with any other materials 11 placed in such containers for the delivery, shipment, or sale 12 of poultry or poultry products.

"(21) The gross proceeds of the sales of all 13 14 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines or medications, vitamins, minerals or other 15 16 nutrients, and all other feed ingredients including concentrates, supplements, and other feed ingredients when 17 18 such substances are used as ingredients in mixing and 19 preparing feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial 20 basis, livestock, and poultry. Such exemption herein granted shall be in addition to exemptions now provided by law for 21 22 feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial basis, 23 livestock, and poultry, but not including prepared foods for 24 dogs or cats.

"(22) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of
seedlings, plants, shoots, and slips which are to be used for
planting vegetable gardens or truck farms and other

agricultural purposes. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt, or exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the gross proceeds of the sale, or the use of plants, seedlings, shoots, slips, nursery stock, and floral products, except as hereinabove exempted.

"(23) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of 6 7 fabricated steel tube sections, when produced and fabricated in this state by any person, firm, or corporation for any 8 vehicular tunnel for highway vehicular traffic, when sold by 9 10 the manufacturer or fabricator thereof, and also the gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of steel which enters into and 11 12 becomes a component part of such fabricated steel tube 13 sections of said tunnel.

"(24) The gross proceeds from sales of admissions to 14 any theatrical production, symphonic or other orchestral 15 16 concert, ballet, or opera production when such concert or 17 production is presented by any society, association, guild, or 18 workshop group, organized within this state, whose members or 19 some of whose members regularly and actively participate in 20 such concerts or productions for the purposes of providing a creative outlet for the cultural and educational interests of 21 22 such members, and of promoting such interests for the 23 betterment of the community by presenting such productions to 24 the general public for an admission charge. The employment of 25 a paid director or conductor to assist in any such 26 presentation described in this subdivision shall not be 27 construed to prohibit the exemptions herein provided.

"(25) The gross proceeds of sales of herbicides for 1 2 agricultural uses by whomsoever sold. The term herbicides, as 3 used in this subdivision, means any substance or mixture of substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel, or retard the 4 5 growth of weeds or plants. It shall include preemergence herbicides, postemergence herbicides, lay-by herbicides, 6 7 pasture herbicides, defoliant herbicides, and desiccant 8 herbicides.

"(26) The Alabama Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis 9 10 Research Foundation and the Jefferson Tuberculosis Sanatorium 11 and any of their departments or agencies, heretofore or 12 hereafter organized and existing in good faith in the State of 13 Alabama for purposes other than for pecuniary gain and not for individual profit, shall be exempted from the computation of 14 15 the tax on the gross proceeds of all sales levied, assessed, 16 or payable.

17 "(27) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales of 18 fuel for use or consumption aboard commercial fishing vessels 19 are hereby exempt from the computation of all sales taxes 20 levied, assessed, or payable under the provisions of this 21 division or levied under any county or municipal sales tax 22 law.

"The words commercial fishing vessels shall mean
vessels whose masters and owners are regularly and exclusively
engaged in fishing as their means of livelihood.

"(28) The gross proceeds of sales of sawdust, wood
 shavings, wood chips, and other like materials sold for use as
 chicken litter by poultry producers and poultry processors.

"(29) The gross proceeds of the sales of all 4 5 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines, and other medications including serums and 6 vaccines, vitamins, minerals, or other nutrients for use in 7 the production and growing of fish, livestock, and poultry by 8 whomsoever sold. Such exemption as herein granted shall be in 9 10 addition to the exemption provided by law for feed for fish, 11 livestock, and poultry, and in addition to the exemptions 12 provided by law for the above-enumerated substances and 13 products when mixed and used as ingredients in fish, livestock, and poultry feed. 14

"(30) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of all medicines prescribed by physicians for persons who are 65 years of age or older, and when said prescriptions are filled by licensed pharmacists, shall be exempted under this division or under any county or municipal sales tax law. The exemption provided in this section shall not apply to any medicine purchased in any manner other than as is herein provided.

22 "For the purposes of this subdivision, proof of age 23 may be accomplished by filing with the dispensing pharmacist 24 any one or more of the following documents:

"a. The name and claim number as shown on a
"Medicare" card issued by the United States Social Security
Administration.

"b. A certificate executed by any adult person
 having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the
 medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.

4 "c. An affidavit executed by any adult person having
5 knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the medicine
6 was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.

7 "For the purposes of this subdivision, any person 8 filing a false proof of age shall be guilty of a misdemeanor 9 and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of 10 \$100.

11 "(31) There shall be exempted from the tax levied by 12 this division the gross receipts of sales of grass sod of all 13 kinds and character when in the original state of production or condition of preparation for sale, when such sales are made 14 15 by the producer or members of his family or for him by those 16 employed by him to assist in the production thereof; provided, 17 that nothing herein shall be construed to exempt sales of sod 18 by a person engaged in the business of selling plants, 19 seedlings, nursery stock, or floral products.

20 "(32) The gross receipts of sales of the following 21 items or materials which are necessary in the farm-to-market 22 production of tomatoes when such items or materials are used 23 by the producer or members of his family or for him by those 24 employed by him to assist in the production thereof: Twine for 25 tying tomatoes, tomato stakes, field boxes (wooden boxes used 26 to take tomatoes from the fields to shed), and tomato boxes 27 used in shipments to customers.

1 "(33) The gross proceeds from the sale of liquefied 2 petroleum gas or natural gas sold to be used for agricultural 3 purposes.

4 "(34) The gross receipts of sales from state
5 nurseries of forest tree seedlings.

6 "(35) The gross receipts of sales of forest tree 7 seed by the state.

8 "(36) The gross receipts of sales of Lespedeza 9 bicolor and other species of perennial plant seed and 10 seedlings sold for wildlife and game food production purposes 11 by the state.

"(37) The gross receipts of any aircraft manufactured, sold, and delivered in this state if said aircraft are not permanently domiciled in Alabama and are removed to another state.

"(38) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales ofall diesel fuel used for off-highway agricultural purposes.

18 "(39) The gross proceeds from sales of admissions to 19 any sporting event which:

20 "a. Takes place in the State of Alabama on or after
21 January 1, 1984, regardless of when such sales occur; and

22 "b. Is hosted by a not-for-profit corporation 23 organized and existing under the laws of the State of Alabama; 24 and

"c. Determines a national championship of a national
organization, including but not limited to the Professional
Golfers Association of America, the Tournament Players

Association, the United States Golf Association, the United
 States Tennis Association, and the National Collegiate
 Athletic Association; and

"d. Has not been held in the State of Alabama on
more than one prior occasion, provided, however, that for such
purpose the Professional Golfers Association Championship, the
United States Open Golf Championship, the United States
Amateur Golf Championship of the United States Golf
Association, and the United States Open Tennis Championship
shall each be treated as a separate event.

11 "(40) The gross receipts from the sale of any 12 aircraft and replacement parts, components, systems, supplies, and sundries affixed or used on said aircraft and ground 13 support equipment and vehicles used by or for the aircraft to 14 15 or by a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub 16 operation within this state, for use in conducting intrastate, 17 interstate, or foreign commerce for transporting people or 18 property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the 19 words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to 20 have all of the following criteria:

21 "a. There originates from the location 15 or more 22 flight departures and five or more different first-stop 23 destinations five days per week for six or more months during 24 the calendar year; and

25 "b. Passengers and/or property are regularly
26 exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
27 different certificated or licensed air carrier.

"(41) The gross receipts from the sale of hot or 1 2 cold food and beverage products sold to or by a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this 3 state, for use in conducting intrastate, interstate, or 4 5 foreign commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation 6 7 within this state" shall be construed to have all of the following criteria: 8

9 "a. There originates from the location 15 or more 10 flight departures and five or more different first-stop 11 destinations five days per week for six or more months during 12 the calendar year; and

"b. Passengers and/or property are regularly
exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
different certificated or licensed air carrier.

16 "(42) The gross receipts from the sale of any 17 aviation jet fuel to a certificated or licensed air carrier 18 purchased for use in scheduled all-cargo operations being 19 conducted on international flights or in international 20 commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, the following 21 words or terms shall be defined and interpreted as follows:

"a. Air Carrier. Any person, firm, corporation, or
entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to
provide air transportation.

25 "b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by an26 air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger

carrying flight, except passengers as specified in 14 C.F.R.
 \$121.583(a) or 14 C.F.R. \$135.85, as amended.

3 "c. International Commerce. Any air carrier engaged 4 in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or 5 hire on international flights.

"d. International Flights. Any air carrier 6 7 conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point 8 within the 50 states of the United States and the District of Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United 9 10 States and the District of Columbia, including any interim 11 stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin 12 or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States 13 and the District of Columbia.

14 "(43) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of the 15 following:

16 "a. Drill pipe, casing, tubing, and other pipe used 17 for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or 18 other minerals in offshore federal waters.

19 "b. Tangible personal property exclusively used for 20 the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or 21 other minerals in offshore federal waters.

"c. Fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard boats, ships, aircraft, and towing vessels when used exclusively in transporting persons or property between a point in Alabama and a point or points in offshore federal waters for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.

"d. Drilling equipment that is used for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals, that is built for exclusive use outside this state and that is, on completion, removed forthwith from this state.

5 "The delivery of items exempted by this subdivision 6 to the purchaser or lessee in this state does not disqualify 7 the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if the property is 8 removed from the state by any means, including by the use of 9 the purchaser's or lessee's own facilities.

10 "The shipment to a place in this state of equipment 11 exempted by this subdivision for further assembly or 12 fabrication does not disgualify the purchaser or lessee from 13 the exemption if on completion of the further assembly or fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this 14 15 state. This subdivision applies to a sale that may occur when 16 the equipment exempted is further assembled or fabricated if 17 on completion the equipment is removed forthwith from this 18 state.

"(44) The gross receipts derived from all bingo 19 20 games and operations which are conducted in compliance with validly enacted legislation authorizing the conduct of such 21 22 games and operations, and which comply with the distribution 23 requirements of the applicable local laws; provided that the 24 exemption from sales taxation granted by this subdivision 25 shall apply only to gross receipts taxable under subdivision 26 (2) of Section 40-23-2. It is further provided that this 27 exemption shall not apply to any gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property, such as concessions, novelties, food, beverages, etc. The exemption provided for in this section shall be limited to those games and operations by organizations which have qualified for exemption under the provisions of 26 U.S.C. § 501 (c) (3), (4), (7), (8), (10), or (19), or which are defined in 26 U.S.C. § 501(d).

7 "(45) The gross receipts derived from the sale or
8 sales of fruit or other agricultural products by the person or
9 corporation that planted, cultivated, and harvested such fruit
10 or agricultural product.

"(46) The gross receipts derived from the sale or sales of all domestically mined or produced coal, coke, and coke by-products used in cogeneration plants.

"(47) The gross receipts from the sale or sales of 14 15 metal, other than gold or silver, when such metal is purchased 16 for the purpose of transferring such metal to an investment 17 trust in exchange for shares or other units, each of which are 18 both publicly traded and represent fractional undivided 19 beneficial interests in the trust's net assets, including 20 metal stored in warehouses located in this state, as well as the gross proceeds from the sale or other transfer of such 21 22 metal to or from such investment trust in exchange for shares or other units that are publicly traded and represent 23 24 fractional undivided beneficial interests in the trust's net 25 assets but not to the extent that metal is transferred to or 26 from the investment trust in exchange for consideration other 27 than such publicly traded shares or other units. For purposes

of this subdivision, the term metals includes, but is not limited to, copper, aluminum, nickel, zinc, tin, lead, and other similar metals typically used in commercial and industrial applications.

5 "(48) For the period commencing on October 1, 2012, and ending May 30, 2022, unless extended by joint resolution, 6 7 the gross receipts from the sale of parts, components, and 8 systems that become a part of a fixed or rotary wing military aircraft or certified transport category aircraft that 9 10 undergoes conversion, reconfiguration, or general maintenance 11 so long as the address of the aircraft for FAA registration is 12 not in the state; provided, however, that this exemption shall 13 not apply to a local sales tax unless previously exempted by local law or approved by resolution of the local governing 14 15 body.

16 "(49) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales 17 within school buildings of lunches to pupils of kindergarten, 18 grammar, and high schools, either public or private, that are 19 not sold for profit.

20 "(50) The gross proceeds of services provided by 21 photographers or commissioned portrait artists are not 22 taxable. The gross proceeds from the sale of photographs or 23 portraits that are not merely incidental to the services 24 provided are taxable regardless of the method of delivery. For 25 sales of photographs or commissioned portraits made prior to October 1, 2017, neither the Department of Revenue nor local 26 27 tax officials may seek payment for sales tax not collected.

With regard to such transactions in which sales tax was 1 2 collected and remitted on services provided by photographers or commissioned portrait artists, neither the taxpayer nor the 3 entity remitting sales tax shall have the right to seek refund 4 5 of such tax. "(b) Any violation of any provision of this section 6 7 shall be punishable in a court of competent jurisdiction by a 8 fine of not less than \$500 and no more than \$2,000 and imprisonment of not less than six months nor more than one 9 10 year in the county jail." "§40-23-62. 11 12 "The storage, use, or other consumption in this 13 state of the following tangible personal property is hereby specifically exempted from the tax imposed by this article: 14 15 "(1) Property, on which the sales tax imposed by the provisions of Article 1 of this chapter is paid by the 16 17 consumer to a person licensed under the provisions of Article 18 1 of this chapter. 19 "(2) Property, the storage, use, or other 20 consumption of which this state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution or laws of the United States of America 21 22 or under the constitution of this state. "(32) Tangible personal property, not to be used in 23 24 the performance of a contract, brought into this state by a 25 nonresident thereof for his own storage, use, or consumption 26 while temporarily within this state.

1	" (4) Lubricating oil and gasoline as defined in
2	Sections 40-17-30 and 40-17-170, the storage, use, or other
3	consumption of which is otherwise taxed.
4	" (5) All fertilizer; provided, that the word
5	"fertilizer" as used in this article shall not be construed to
6	include cottonseed meal when not in combination with other
7	material.
8	" (6) All seeds for planting purposes and baby chicks
9	and poults; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed
10	to exempt plants, seedlings, nursery stock or floral products.
11	" (7) Insecticides and fungicides and feed for
12	livestock and poultry, but not including prepared foods for
13	dogs and cats.
14	" (8) The use, storage, or consumption of all
15	livestock by whomsoever sold; and also the gross proceeds of
16	poultry and other products of the farm, dairy, grove or
17	garden, when in the original state of production or condition
18	of preparation for sale, when such sale or sales are made by
19	the producer or members of his immediate family or for him by
20	those employed by him to assist in the production thereof.
21	Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from
22	the measure or computation of the tax levied, assessed, or
23	payable hereunder, the gross proceeds of sales of poultry or
24	poultry products when not products of the farm.
25	" (9) Cottonseed meal exchanged for cottonseed at or
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26 by cotton gins.

1	" (10) Transportation, gas, water, or electricity, of
2	the kinds and natures, the rates and charges for which when
3	sold by public utilities, are customarily fixed and determined
4	by the Public Service Commission of Alabama or like regulatory
5	bodies.
6	" (11) Coal or coke to be stored, used, or consumed
7	by manufacturers, electric power companies and transportation
8	companies for use or consumption in the production of
9	by-products or the generation of heat or power used:
10	"a. In manufacturing tangible personal property for
11	sale;
12	"-b. For the generation of electric power or energy
13	for use in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale
14	or for resale; or
15	"-c. For the generation of motive power for
16	transportation.
17	" (12) Fuel and supplies for use or consumption
18	aboard ships, vessels, towing vessels, or barges, or drilling
19	ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, or
20	other watercraft (herein for purposes of this exemption being
21	referred to as vessels) engaged in foreign or international
22	commerce or in interstate commerce; provided, that nothing in
23	this article shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the
24	measure of the tax herein levied the gross proceeds of sale or
25	sales of material and supplies to any person for use in
26	fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair or
27	reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships, other watercraft and

1 commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement 2 as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural 3 4 Resources. For purposes of this subdivision, it shall be presumed that vessels engaged in the transportation of cargo 5 between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign 6 7 countries or possessions or territories of the United States or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other 8 9 states are engaged in foreign or international commerce or 10 interstate commerce, as the case may be. For the purposes of 11 this subdivision, the engaging in foreign or international 12 commerce or interstate commerce shall not require that the 13 vessel involved deliver cargo to or receive cargo from a port 14 in the State of Alabama. For purposes of this subdivision, vessels carrying passengers for hire, and no cargo, between 15 ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries 16 17 or possessions or territories of the United States or between 18 ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states shall 19 be engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate 20 commerce, as the case may be, if, and only if, both of the 21 following conditions are met: (i) The vessel in question is a 22 vessel of at least 100 gross tons; and (ii) the vessel in 23 question has an unexpired certificate of inspection issued by 24 the United States Coast Guard or by the proper authority of a 25 foreign country for a foreign vessel, which certificate is recognized as acceptable under the laws of the United States. 26 27 Vessels which are engaged in foreign or international commerce

or interstate commerce shall be deemed for the purposes of 1 2 this subdivision to remain in such commerce while awaiting or under repair in a port of the State of Alabama if such vessel 3 4 returns after such repairs are completed to engaging in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce. For 5 purposes of this subdivision, seismic or geophysical vessels 6 7 which are engaged either in seismic or geophysical tests or evaluations exclusively in offshore federal waters or in 8 traveling to or from conducting such tests or evaluations 9 10 shall be deemed to be engaged in international or foreign commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, proof that fuel 11 12 and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in 13 14 interstate commerce may be accomplished by the merchant or 15 seller securing the duly signed certificate of the vessel owner, operator or captain or their respective agent on a form 16 17 prescribed by the department that the fuel and supplies 18 purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in 19 foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce. 20 Any person filing a false certificate shall be guilty of a 21 misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than 22 \$25 nor more than \$500 for each offense. Each false 23 certificate filed shall constitute a separate offense. Any person filing a false certificate shall be liable to the 24 25 department for all taxes imposed by this division upon the merchant or seller, together with any interest or penalties 26 27 thereon, by reason of the sale or sales of fuel and supplies

applicable to such false certificate. If a merchant or seller 1 2 of fuel and supplies secures the certificate herein mentioned, properly completed, such merchant or seller shall not be 3 liable for the taxes imposed by this division, if such 4 merchant or seller had no knowledge that such certificate was 5 false when it was filed with such merchant or seller. 6 7 "(13) Property stored, used, or consumed by the State of Alabama, by the counties within the state or by 8 incorporated municipalities of the State of Alabama. 9 10 "(14) The use, storage, or consumption of materials, equipment and machinery which, at any time, enter into and 11 12 become a component part of ships, vessels, towing vessels or 13 barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or 14 geophysical vessels, other watercraft and commercial fishing 15 vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the Department of 16 17 Conservation and Natural Resources. Additionally, the use, 18 storage, or consumption of lifeboats, personal flotation 19 devices, ring life buoys, survival craft equipment, distress 20 signals, EPIRB's, fire extinguishers, injury placards, waste 21 management plans and logs, marine sanitation devices, 22 navigation rulebooks, navigation lights, sound signals, 23 navigation day shapes, oil placard cards, garbage placards, 24 FCC SSL, stability instructions, first aid equipment, 25 compasses, anchor and radar reflectors, general alarm systems, 26 bilge pumps, piping, and discharge and electronic position 27 fixing devices on the aforementioned watercraft.

"(15) The use, storage, or consumption of fuel oil
 purchased as fuel for kilns used in manufacturing
 establishments.

4 "(16) Tangible personal property stored, used, or consumed by county and city school boards within the State of 5 Alabama, independent school boards within the State of 6 7 Alabama, all educational institutions and agencies of the State of Alabama, the counties within the state or any 8 incorporated municipality of the State of Alabama, and private 9 10 educational institutions operating within the State of Alabama offering conventional and traditional courses of study, such 11 12 as those offered by public schools, colleges, or universities 13 within the State of Alabama; but not including nurseries, day care centers, and home schools. 14

"(17) The storage, use, or consumption of railroad
 cars, vessels, and barges and commercial fishing vessels of
 over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S.
 Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of
 Conservation and Natural Resources when purchased from the
 manufacturers or builders thereof.

21 "(18) The storage, use, or consumption of all 22 devices or facilities, and all identifiable components thereof 23 or materials for use therein, used or placed in operation 24 primarily for the control, reduction or elimination of air or 25 water pollution, and the storage, use, or consumption of all 26 identifiable components of or materials used or intended for use in structures built primarily for the control, reduction
 or elimination of air or water pollution.

3 "(19) When dealers or distributors use parts taken
4 from stocks owned by them in making repairs without charge for
5 such parts to the owner of the property required pursuant to
6 warranty agreements entered into by manufacturers, such use
7 shall not constitute taxable sales to the manufacturers,
8 distributors or to the dealers, under this article, or under
9 any county use tax law.

10 "(20) (3) The storage, use, or other consumption in 11 this state of religious magazines and publications. For the 12 purpose of this subdivision the words "religious magazines and 13 publications" shall be construed to mean printed or illustrated lessons, notes and explanations distributed by 14 churches or other religious organizations free of charge to 15 pupils or students in Sunday schools, Bible classes or other 16 17 educational facilities established and maintained by churches 18 or similar religious organizations in this state.

19 "(4) In addition to the exemptions provided in 20 subsections (1), (2), and (3) above, all exemptions enumerated 21 in Section 40-23-4(a) and 40-23-4.1, Code of Alabama 1975, are 22 incorporated by reference herein.

"(21) The storage, use, or other consumption of
 wrapping paper and other wrapping materials when used in
 preparing poultry or poultry products for delivery, shipment
 or sale by the producer, processor, packer, or seller of such
 poultry or poultry products including pallets used in shipping

poultry and egg products, paper or other materials used for lining boxes or other containers in which poultry or poultry products are packed together with any other materials placed in such containers for the delivery, shipment or sale of poultry or poultry products.

6 "(22) The storage, use, or other consumption of all 7 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines or medications, vitamins, minerals, or other 8 nutrients and all other feed ingredients including 9 10 concentrates, supplements and other feed ingredients when such 11 substances are used as ingredients in mixing and preparing 12 feed for livestock and poultry. Such exemption herein granted 13 shall be in addition to exemptions now provided by law for 14 feed for livestock and poultry, but not including prepared 15 foods for dogs and cats.

16 "(23) The use of seedlings, plants, shoots, and 17 slips which are to be used for planting vegetable gardens or 18 truck farms. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt, or 19 exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or 20 payable, the use of plants, seedlings, shoots, slips, nursery 21 stock and floral products except as hereinabove exempted.

"(24) Fabricated steel tube sections, when produced
and fabricated in this state by any person, firm, or
corporation, for any vehicular tunnel for highway vehicular
traffic, when sold by the manufacturer or fabricator thereof,
and also steel which enters into and becomes a component part
of such fabricated steel tube sections of said tunnel, shall

be exempted from the provisions of this article and from the computation of the amount of the tax levied, assessed or avable under this article.

"(25) The storage, use, or other consumption of 4 5 herbicides for agricultural uses by whomsoever sold. The term "herbicides" as used in this subdivision means any substance 6 7 or mixture of substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel, or retard the growth of weeds or plants. It shall include 8 preemergence herbicides, postemergence herbicides, lay-by 9 10 herbicides, pasture herbicides, defoliant herbicides, and desiccant herbicides. 11

12 "(26) The Alabama Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis 13 Research Foundation, and the Jefferson Tuberculosis Sanatorium 14 and any of their departments or agencies, heretofore or 15 hereafter organized and existing in good faith in the State of 16 Alabama for purposes other than for pecuniary gain and not for 17 individual profit, shall be exempted from the payment of the 18 state use tax levied under this article.

19 "(27) Fuel for use or consumption aboard commercial 20 fishing vessels are hereby exempt from the payment of the 21 state use tax levied under this article, or levied under any 22 county or municipal use tax law.

23 "The words commercial fishing vessels shall mean
 24 vessels whose masters and owners are regularly and exclusively
 25 engaged in fishing as their means of livelihood.

26 "(28) The storage, use, or withdrawal of sawdust,
 27 wood shavings, wood chips, and other like materials purchased

for use as chicken litter by poultry producers and poultry
 processors shall be exempt under this article.

"(29) The storage, use, or other consumption of all 3 4 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, 5 medicines and other medications including serums and vaccines, vitamins, minerals or other nutrients for use in the 6 7 production and growing of fish, livestock, and poultry are hereby specifically exempted from the payment of the state use 8 tax levied by this article. Such exemption as herein granted 9 10 shall be in addition to the exemptions now provided by law for 11 feed for fish, livestock, and poultry, and in addition to the 12 exemptions now provided by law for the above-enumerated 13 substances and products when mixed and used as ingredients in 14 fish, livestock and poultry feeds.

15 "(30) All medicines prescribed by physicians for persons who are 65 years of age or older, and when said 16 17 prescriptions are filled by licensed pharmacists, shall be 18 exempted from the operation of the state use tax law levied by 19 this article, or by any county or municipal use tax law. The 20 exemptions provided in this subdivision shall not apply to any 21 medicine purchased in any manner other than as is herein 22 provided.

23 "For the purposes of this subdivision, proof of age
 24 may be accomplished by filing with the dispensing pharmacist
 25 any one or more of the following documents:

"a. The name and claim number as shown on a
 "Medicare" card issued by the United States Social Security
 Administration.

" b. A certificate executed by any adult person 4 5 having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age. 6 "-c. An affidavit executed by any adult person 7 having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the 8 medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age. 9 10 "For the purposes of this subdivision any person filing a false proof of age shall be guilty of a misdemeanor 11 and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of 12 \$100. 13 "(31) All diesel fuel used for off-highway 14 15 agricultural purposes. "(32) The storage, use, or other consumption of any 16 17 aircraft and replacement parts, components, systems, supplies 18 and sundries affixed or used on said aircraft and ground 19 support equipment and vehicles used by or for the aircraft by 20 a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub operation 21 within this state, for use in conducting intrastate,

22 interstate or foreign commerce for transporting people or 23 property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the 24 words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to 25 have all of the following criteria:

26 "a. There originates from the location 15 or more
 27 flight departures and five or more different first-stop

1 destinations five days per week for six or more months during
2 the calendar year; and

3 "-b. Passengers and/or property are regularly
4 exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
5 different certificated or licensed air carrier.

6 "(33) The storage, use, or other consumption of any 7 aviation jet fuel used by an aircraft operated by a 8 certificated or licensed air carrier that purchases jet fuel 9 for use in scheduled all-cargo operations being conducted on 10 international flights or in international commerce. For 11 purposes of this subdivision, the following words or terms 12 shall be defined and interpreted as follows:

"a. Air Carrier. Any person, firm, corporation, or
 entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to
 provide air transportation.

16 "-b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by
 an air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger
 18 carrying flight, except passengers as specified in 14 C.F.R.
 19 \$121.583(a) or 14 C.F.R. \$135.85, as amended.

20 "-c. International Commerce. Any air carrier engaged
 21 in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or
 22 hire on international flights.

"d. International Flights. Any air carrier
conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point
within the 50 states of the United States and the District of
Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United
States and the District of Columbia, including any interim

stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin
 or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States
 and the District of Columbia.

"(34) The storage, use, or other consumption of hot 4 or cold food and beverage products by a certificated or 5 licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state, 6 7 for use in conducting intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the 8 purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation within 9 10 this state" shall be construed to have all of the following criteria: 11

12 "a. There originates from the location 15 or more
13 flight departures and five or more different first-stop
14 destinations five days per week for six or more months during
15 the calendar year; and

16 "b. Passengers and/or property are regularly
 17 exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
 18 different certificated or licensed air carrier.

19 "(35) The storage, use, or other consumption of the 20 following:

21 "a. Drill pipe, casing, tubing, and other pipe used
 22 for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or
 23 other minerals in offshore federal waters.

24 "b. Tangible personal property exclusively used for
 25 the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or
 26 other minerals in offshore federal waters.

1	"-c. Fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard
2	boats, ships, aircraft, and towing vessels when used
3	exclusively in transporting persons or property between a
4	point in Alabama and a point or points in offshore federal
5	waters for the exploration for or production of oil, gas,
6	sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters.
7	"d. Drilling equipment that is used for the
8	exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other
9	minerals, that is built for exclusive use outside this state
10	and that is, on completion, removed forthwith from this state.
11	"e. All domestically mined or produced coal, coke,
12	and coke by-products used in cogeneration plants in Alabama.
13	"The delivery of items exempted by this subdivision
14	to the purchaser or lessee in this state does not disqualify
15	the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if the property is
16	removed from the state by any means, including by the use of
17	the purchaser's or lessee's own facilities.
18	"The shipment to a place in this state of equipment
19	exempted by this subdivision for further assembly or
20	fabrication does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from
21	the exemption if on completion of the further assembly or
22	fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this
23	state. This subdivision applies to a sale that may occur when
24	the equipment exempted is further assembled or fabricated if
25	on completion the equipment is removed forthwith from this
26	state.

1 "(36) The storage or use of metal, other than gold or silver, when such metal is held by an investment trust the 2 shares or other units in the trust's net assets of which have 3 been issued in exchange for such metal and are publicly 4 traded, including metal stored in warehouses located in this 5 state. For purposes of this subdivision, the term metals 6 7 includes, but is not limited to, copper, aluminum, nickel, zinc, tin, lead, and other similar metals typically used in 8 commercial and industrial applications. 9

10 "(37) For the period commencing October 1, 2012, and ending May 30, 2022, unless extended by joint resolution, all 11 12 parts, components, and systems that become a part of a fixed 13 or rotary wing military aircraft or certified transport category aircraft which undergoes conversion, reconfiguration, 14 15 or general maintenance so long as the address of the aircraft for FAA registration is not in the state; provided, however, 16 17 that this exemption shall not apply to a local use tax unless 18 previously exempted by local law or approved by resolution of 19 the local governing body.

20 "(38) Lunches sold not for profit and within school 21 buildings to pupils of kindergarten, grammar, and high 22 schools, either public or private."

23 Section 2. The provisions of this act shall apply 24 retroactively to all open tax years and tax periods for which 25 a preliminary assessment or final assessment could be entered 26 pursuant to Section 40-2A-7, Code of Alabama 1975, or any 27 successor general or local law. No refunds shall be due or issued pursuant to this act with respect to those periods
 prior to the effective date of this act.

3 Section 3. This act shall become effective
4 immediately following its passage and approval by the
5 Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming law.