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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 codifies existing case law 15 regarding the sales and use tax exemption for gross 16 receipts received by a learned professional, and 17 provides that a party making sales of photographs 18 and commissioned portraits made prior to October 1, 19 2017, is not required to remit sales or use tax 20 unless it was collected from the purchaser. 21 22 A BILL 23 TO BE ENTITLED 24 AN ACT 25 To amend Sections 40-23-4, Code of Alabama 1975, to 26 27 provide an exemption for gross receipts occurring from the

1	business of a learned professional; and to amend Section
2	40-23-62, Code of Alabama 1975; relating to exemptions from
3	use tax.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
5	Section 1. Sections 40-23-4 and 40-23-62, Code of
6	Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:
7	"§40-23-4.
8	"(a) There are exempted from the provisions of this
9	division and from the computation of the amount of the tax
10	levied, assessed, or payable under this division the
11	following:
12	"(1) The gross proceeds of the sales of lubricating
13	oil and gasoline as defined in Sections 40-17-30 and 40-17-170
14	and the gross proceeds from those sales of lubricating oil
15	destined for out-of-state use which are transacted in a manner
16	whereby an out-of-state purchaser takes delivery of such oil
17	at a distributor's plant within this state and transports it
18	out-of-state, which are otherwise taxed.
19	"(2) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of
20	fertilizer when used for agricultural purposes. The word
21	"fertilizer" shall not be construed to include cottonseed
22	meal, when not in combination with other materials.
23	"(3) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of
24	seeds for planting purposes and baby chicks and poults.
25	Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from
26	the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the

gross proceeds of the sale or sales of plants, seedlings,
 nursery stock, or floral products.

3 "(4) The gross proceeds of sales of insecticides and 4 fungicides when used for agricultural purposes or when used by 5 persons properly permitted by the Department of Agriculture 6 and Industries or any applicable local or state governmental 7 authority for structural pest control work and feed for 8 livestock and poultry, but not including prepared food for 9 dogs and cats.

10 "(5) The gross proceeds of sales of all livestock by 11 whomsoever sold, and also the gross proceeds of poultry and 12 other products of the farm, dairy, grove, or garden, when in 13 the original state of production or condition of preparation for sale, when such sale or sales are made by the producer or 14 members of his immediate family or for him by those employed 15 16 by him to assist in the production thereof. Nothing herein 17 shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure or 18 computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable hereunder, 19 the gross proceeds of sales of poultry or poultry products 20 when not products of the farm.

21 "(6) Cottonseed meal exchanged for cottonseed at or22 by cotton gins.

"(7) The gross receipts from the business on which, or for engaging in which, a license or privilege tax is levied 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 this subdivision shall be construed to exempt or relieve the

person or persons operating the business enumerated in said 1 2 sections from the payments of the tax levied by this division upon or measured by the gross proceeds of sales of any 3 tangible personal property, except gas and water, the gross 4 5 receipts from the sale of which are the measure of the tax levied by said Section 40-21-50, merchandise or other tangible 6 commodities sold at retail by said persons, unless the gross 7 proceeds of sale thereof are otherwise specifically exempted 8 by the provisions of this division. 9

10 "(8) The gross proceeds of sales or gross receipts 11 of or by any person, firm, or corporation, from the sale of 12 transportation, gas, water, or electricity, of the kinds and 13 natures, the rates and charges for which, when sold by public 14 utilities, are customarily fixed and determined by the Public 15 Service Commission of Alabama or like regulatory bodies.

16 "(9) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales of 17 wood residue, coal, or coke to manufacturers, electric power 18 companies, and transportation companies for use or consumption 19 in the production of by-products, or the generation of heat or 20 power used in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale, for the generation of electric power or energy for use 21 22 in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale or for 23 resale, or for the generation of motive power for 24 transportation.

"(10) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales of
fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard ships,
vessels, towing vessels, or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or

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barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, or other watercraft 1 2 (herein for purposes of this exemption being referred to as "vessels") engaged in foreign or international commerce or in 3 interstate commerce; provided, that nothing in this division 4 5 shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the measure of the tax herein levied the gross proceeds of sale or sales of 6 7 material and supplies to any person for use in fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair, or reconditioning of 8 vessels, barges, ships, other watercraft, and commercial 9 10 fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement as 11 registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State 12 of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

13 "For purposes of this subdivision, it shall be 14 presumed that vessels engaged in the transportation of cargo 15 between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign 16 countries or possessions or territories of the United States or between ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other 17 18 states are engaged in foreign or international commerce or 19 interstate commerce, as the case may be. For the purposes of 20 this subdivision, the engaging in foreign or international 21 commerce or interstate commerce shall not require that the 22 vessel involved deliver cargo to or receive cargo from a port 23 in the State of Alabama. For purposes of this subdivision, 24 vessels carrying passengers for hire, and no cargo, between 25 ports in the State of Alabama and ports in foreign countries 26 or possessions or territories of the United States or between 27 ports in the State of Alabama and ports in other states shall

be engaged in foreign or international commerce or interstate 1 2 commerce, as the case may be, if, and only if, both of the following conditions are met: (i) The vessel in question is a 3 4 vessel of at least 100 gross tons; and (ii) the vessel in 5 question has an unexpired certificate of inspection issued by the United States Coast Guard or by the proper authority of a 6 7 foreign country for a foreign vessel, which certificate is recognized as acceptable under the laws of the United States. 8 Vessels which are engaged in foreign or international commerce 9 10 or interstate commerce shall be deemed for the purposes of 11 this subdivision to remain in such commerce while awaiting or 12 under repair in a port of the State of Alabama if such vessel 13 returns after such repairs are completed to engaging in foreign or international commerce or interstate commerce. For 14 purposes of this subdivision, seismic or geophysical vessels 15 16 which are engaged either in seismic or geophysical tests or 17 evaluations exclusively in offshore federal waters or in 18 traveling to or from conducting such tests or evaluations 19 shall be deemed to be engaged in international or foreign 20 commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, proof that fuel 21 and supplies purchased are for use or consumption aboard 22 vessels engaged in foreign or international commerce or in 23 interstate commerce may be accomplished by the merchant or 24 seller securing the duly signed certificate of the vessel 25 owner, operator, or captain or their respective agent on a 26 form prescribed by the department that the fuel and supplies 27 purchased are for use or consumption aboard vessels engaged in

foreign or international commerce or in interstate commerce. 1 2 Any person filing a false certificate shall be quilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than 3 \$25 nor more than \$500 for each offense. Each false 4 5 certificate filed shall constitute a separate offense. Any person filing a false certificate shall be liable to the 6 7 department for all taxes imposed by this division upon the merchant or seller, together with any interest or penalties 8 thereon, by reason of the sale or sales of fuel and supplies 9 10 applicable to such false certificate. If a merchant or seller 11 of fuel and supplies secures the certificate herein mentioned, 12 properly completed, such merchant or seller shall not be 13 liable for the taxes imposed by this division, if such merchant or seller had no knowledge that such certificate was 14 15 false when it was filed with such merchant or seller.

16 "(11) The gross proceeds of sales of tangible 17 personal property to the State of Alabama, to the counties 18 within the state and to incorporated municipalities of the 19 State of Alabama.

"(12) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of railroad cars, vessels, 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 sold by 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 1 2 vessels or barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, other watercraft and 3 commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement 4 5 as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural 6 7 Resources. Additionally, the gross proceeds from the sale or sales of lifeboats, personal flotation devices, ring life 8 buoys, survival craft equipment, distress signals, EPIRB's, 9 10 fire extinguishers, injury placards, waste management plans 11 and logs, marine sanitation devices, navigation rulebooks, 12 navigation lights, sound signals, navigation day shapes, oil 13 placard cards, garbage placards, FCC SSL, stability instructions, first aid equipment, compasses, anchor and radar 14 15 reflectors, general alarm systems, bilge pumps, piping, and 16 discharge and electronic position fixing devices which are 17 used on the aforementioned watercraft.

18 "(14) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of 19 fuel oil purchased as fuel for kiln use in manufacturing 20 establishments.

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

5 "(16) The gross proceeds from the sale of all devices or facilities, and all identifiable components 6 7 thereof, or materials for use therein, acquired primarily for the control, reduction, or elimination of air or water 8 pollution and the gross proceeds from the sale of all 9 10 identifiable components of or materials used or intended for 11 use in structures built primarily for the control, reduction, 12 or elimination of air and water pollution.

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

18 "(18) When dealers or distributors use parts taken 19 from stocks owned by them in making repairs without charge for 20 such parts to the owner of the property repaired pursuant to 21 warranty agreements entered into by manufacturers, such use 22 shall not constitute taxable sales to the manufacturers, 23 distributors, or to the dealers, under this division or under 24 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 6 7 wrapping paper and other wrapping materials when used in 8 preparing poultry or poultry products for delivery, shipment, or sale by the producer, processor, packer, or seller of such 9 10 poultry or poultry products, including pallets used in 11 shipping poultry and egg products, paper or other materials 12 used for lining boxes or other containers in which poultry or 13 poultry products are packed together with any other materials placed in such containers for the delivery, shipment, or sale 14 15 of poultry or poultry products.

16 "(21) The gross proceeds of the sales of all 17 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, 18 medicines or medications, vitamins, minerals or other 19 nutrients, and all other feed ingredients including 20 concentrates, supplements, and other feed ingredients when 21 such substances are used as ingredients in mixing and 22 preparing feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial 23 basis, livestock, and poultry. Such exemption herein granted 24 shall be in addition to exemptions now provided by law for 25 feed for fish raised to be sold on a commercial basis, 26 livestock, and poultry, but not including prepared foods for 27 dogs or cats.

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"(22) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of 1 2 seedlings, plants, shoots, and slips which are to be used for planting vegetable gardens or truck farms and other 3 4 agricultural purposes. Nothing herein shall be construed to 5 exempt, or exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable, the gross proceeds of the sale, or the 6 7 use of plants, seedlings, shoots, slips, nursery stock, and 8 floral products, except as hereinabove exempted.

"(23) The gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of 9 fabricated steel tube sections, when produced and fabricated 10 11 in this state by any person, firm, or corporation for any 12 vehicular tunnel for highway vehicular traffic, when sold by 13 the manufacturer or fabricator thereof, and also the gross proceeds of the sale, or sales, of steel which enters into and 14 becomes a component part of such fabricated steel tube 15 16 sections of said tunnel.

17 "(24) The gross proceeds from sales of admissions to 18 any theatrical production, symphonic or other orchestral 19 concert, ballet, or opera production when such concert or 20 production is presented by any society, association, guild, or 21 workshop group, organized within this state, whose members or 22 some of whose members regularly and actively participate in 23 such concerts or productions for the purposes of providing a 24 creative outlet for the cultural and educational interests of 25 such members, and of promoting such interests for the 26 betterment of the community by presenting such productions to 27 the general public for an admission charge. The employment of

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a paid director or conductor to assist in any such
 presentation described in this subdivision shall not be
 construed to prohibit the exemptions herein provided.

4 "(25) The gross proceeds of sales of herbicides for 5 agricultural uses by whomsoever sold. The term herbicides, as used in this subdivision, means any substance or mixture of 6 7 substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel, or retard the growth of weeds or plants. It shall include preemergence 8 herbicides, postemergence herbicides, lay-by herbicides, 9 10 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 and any of their departments or agencies, heretofore or 14 hereafter organized and existing in good faith in the State of 15 16 Alabama for purposes other than for pecuniary gain and not for 17 individual profit, shall be exempted from the computation of 18 the tax on the gross proceeds of all sales levied, assessed, 19 or payable.

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

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

7 "(29) The gross proceeds of the sales of all 8 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs, medicines, and other medications including serums and 9 10 vaccines, vitamins, minerals, or other nutrients for use in 11 the production and growing of fish, livestock, and poultry by 12 whomsoever sold. Such exemption as herein granted shall be in addition to the exemption provided by law for feed for fish, 13 livestock, and poultry, and in addition to the exemptions 14 provided by law for the above-enumerated substances and 15 16 products when mixed and used as ingredients in fish, 17 livestock, and poultry feed.

18 "(30) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of all 19 medicines prescribed by physicians for persons who are 65 20 years of age or older, and when said prescriptions are filled 21 by licensed pharmacists, shall be exempted under this division 22 or under any county or municipal sales tax law. The exemption 23 provided in this section shall not apply to any medicine 24 purchased in any manner other than as is herein provided.

25 "For the purposes of this subdivision, proof of age 26 may be accomplished by filing with the dispensing pharmacist 27 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.

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

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

10 "For the purposes of this subdivision, any person 11 filing a false proof of age shall be guilty of a misdemeanor 12 and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of 13 \$100.

"(31) There shall be exempted from the tax levied by 14 15 this division the gross receipts of sales of grass sod of all 16 kinds and character when in the original state of production 17 or condition of preparation for sale, when such sales are made 18 by the producer or members of his family or for him by those 19 employed by him to assist in the production thereof; provided, 20 that nothing herein shall be construed to exempt sales of sod 21 by a person engaged in the business of selling plants, 22 seedlings, nursery stock, or floral products.

"(32) The gross receipts of sales of the following items or materials which are necessary in the farm-to-market production of tomatoes when such items or materials are used by the producer or members of his family or for him by those employed by him to assist in the production thereof: Twine for 1 tying tomatoes, tomato stakes, field boxes (wooden boxes used 2 to take tomatoes from the fields to shed), and tomato boxes 3 used in shipments to customers.

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

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

9 "(35) The gross receipts of sales of forest tree 10 seed by the state.

"(36) The gross receipts of sales of Lespedeza bicolor and other species of perennial plant seed and seedlings sold for wildlife and game food production purposes 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.

21 "(39) The gross proceeds from sales of admissions to 22 any sporting event which:

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

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

"(40) The gross receipts from the sale of any 14 15 aircraft and replacement parts, components, systems, supplies, 16 and sundries affixed or used on said aircraft and ground 17 support equipment and vehicles used by or for the aircraft to 18 or by a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub 19 operation within this state, for use in conducting intrastate, 20 interstate, or foreign commerce for transporting people or 21 property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the 22 words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to 23 have all of the following criteria:

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

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

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 "(42) The gross receipts from the sale of any 20 aviation jet fuel to a certificated or licensed air carrier 21 purchased for use in scheduled all-cargo operations being 22 conducted on international flights or in international 23 commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, the following 24 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.

"b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by an
 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.

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

"d. International Flights. Any air carrier 8 conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point 9 10 within the 50 states of the United States and the District of 11 Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United 12 States and the District of Columbia, including any interim 13 stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States 14 and the District of Columbia. 15

16 "(43) The gross proceeds of the sale or sales of the 17 following:

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

21 "b. Tangible personal property exclusively used for 22 the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or 23 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.

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

7 "The delivery of items exempted by this subdivision 8 to the purchaser or lessee in this state does not disqualify 9 the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if the property is 10 removed from the state by any means, including by the use of 11 the purchaser's or lessee's own facilities.

12 "The shipment to a place in this state of equipment 13 exempted by this subdivision for further assembly or fabrication does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from 14 the exemption if on completion of the further assembly or 15 16 fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this 17 state. This subdivision applies to a sale that may occur when the equipment exempted is further assembled or fabricated if 18 19 on completion the equipment is removed forthwith from this 20 state.

"(44) The gross receipts derived from all bingo games and operations which are conducted in compliance with validly enacted legislation authorizing the conduct of such games and operations, and which comply with the distribution requirements of the applicable local laws; provided that the exemption from sales taxation granted by this subdivision shall apply only to gross receipts taxable under subdivision

(2) of Section 40-23-2. It is further provided that this 1 2 exemption shall not apply to any gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property, such as concessions, novelties, 3 food, beverages, etc. The exemption provided for in this 4 5 section shall be limited to those games and operations by organizations which have qualified for exemption under the 6 7 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). 8

9 "(45) The gross receipts derived from the sale or 10 sales of fruit or other agricultural products by the person or 11 corporation that planted, cultivated, and harvested such fruit 12 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.

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

1 from the investment trust in exchange for consideration other 2 than such publicly traded shares or other units. For purposes 3 of this subdivision, the term metals includes, but is not 4 limited to, copper, aluminum, nickel, zinc, tin, lead, and 5 other similar metals typically used in commercial and 6 industrial applications.

7 "(48) For the period commencing on October 1, 2012, 8 and ending May 30, 2022, unless extended by joint resolution, the gross receipts from the sale of parts, components, and 9 10 systems that become a part of a fixed or rotary wing military 11 aircraft or certified transport category aircraft that 12 undergoes conversion, reconfiguration, or general maintenance 13 so long as the address of the aircraft for FAA registration is not in the state; provided, however, that this exemption shall 14 15 not apply to a local sales tax unless previously exempted by local law or approved by resolution of the local governing 16 17 body.

18 "(49) The gross proceeds from the sale or sales 19 within school buildings of lunches to pupils of kindergarten, 20 grammar, and high schools, either public or private, that are 21 not sold for profit.

"(50)a. The gross proceeds of sales of professional
 services by only the following learned professionals are
 exempt from collecting sales tax on services provided to
 clients:

26 "<u>1. Accountants and bookkeepers</u>
27 "2. Attorneys

1	"3. Physicians, excluding eyeglasses, contact
2	lenses, food as part of a bariatric practice, and other items
3	sold apart from the primary service provided.
4	"These learned professionals primarily render
5	professional services to their clients. They are consumers of
6	supplies, office furniture, office fixtures and special tools
7	and equipment, books, publications, and other items which they
8	use in the practice of their professions. All materials
9	purchased for use in performing the professional service are
10	classed as retail sales subject to sales tax.
11	"b. Services provided by photographers or
12	commissioned portrait artists are not exempt from the
13	collection of sales tax regardless of the method of delivery
14	of such services. For sales of photographs or commissioned
15	portraits made prior to October 1, 2017, neither the
16	Department of Revenue nor local tax officials may seek payment
17	for sales tax not collected. This limitation on the authority
18	of the department or local officials shall not apply to final
19	assessments that were entered prior to the effective date of
20	this act. With regard to such transactions in which sales tax
21	was collected and remitted, neither the taxpayer nor the
22	entity remitting sales tax shall have the right to seek refund
23	of such tax.
24	"(b) Any violation of any provision of this soction

24 "(b) Any violation of any provision of this section 25 shall be punishable in a court of competent jurisdiction by a 26 fine of not less than \$500 and no more than \$2,000 and 1 imprisonment of not less than six months nor more than one 2 year in the county jail."

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"§40-23-62.

4 "The storage, use, or other consumption in this
5 state of the following tangible personal property is hereby
6 specifically exempted from the tax imposed by this article:

7 "(1) Property, on which the sales tax imposed by the
8 provisions of Article 1 of this chapter is paid by the
9 consumer to a person licensed under the provisions of Article
10 1 of this chapter.

11 "(2) Property, the storage, use, or other
12 consumption of which this state is prohibited from taxing
13 under the Constitution or laws of the United States of America
14 or under the constitution of this state.

15 "(<u>32</u>) Tangible personal property, not to be used in 16 the performance of a contract, brought into this state by a 17 nonresident thereof for his own storage, use, or consumption 18 while temporarily within this state.

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

"(4) Lubricating oil and gasoline as defined in
 Sections 40-17-30 and 40-17-170, the storage, use, or other
 consumption of which is otherwise taxed.

26 "(5) All fertilizer; provided, that the word
27 "fertilizer" as used in this article shall not be construed to

1 include cottonseed meal when not in combination with other
2 material.

"(6) All seeds for planting purposes and baby chicks 3 and poults; provided, that nothing herein shall be construed 4 5 to exempt plants, seedlings, nursery stock or floral products. "(7) Insecticides and fungicides and feed for 6 7 livestock and poultry, but not including prepared foods for dogs and cats. 8 "(8) The use, storage, or consumption of all 9 10 livestock by whomsoever sold; and also the gross proceeds of 11 poultry and other products of the farm, dairy, grove or 12 garden, when in the original state of production or condition 13 of preparation for sale, when such sale or sales are made by the producer or members of his immediate family or for him by 14 those employed by him to assist in the production thereof. 15 16 Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt or exclude from 17 the measure or computation of the tax levied, assessed, or 18 payable hereunder, the gross proceeds of sales of poultry or 19 poultry products when not products of the farm. 20 "(9) Cottonseed meal exchanged for cottonseed at or 21 by cotton gins. 22 "(10) Transportation, gas, water, or electricity, of 23 the kinds and natures, the rates and charges for which when 24 sold by public utilities, are customarily fixed and determined 25 by the Public Service Commission of Alabama or like regulatory

26 bodies.

1	" (11) Coal or coke to be stored, used, or consumed
2	by manufacturers, electric power companies and transportation
3	companies for use or consumption in the production of
4	by-products or the generation of heat or power used:
5	"a. In manufacturing tangible personal property for
6	sale;
7	" b. For the generation of electric power or energy
8	for use in manufacturing tangible personal property for sale
9	or for resale; or
10	" c. For the generation of motive power for
11	transportation.
12	" (12) Fuel and supplies for use or consumption
13	aboard ships, vessels, towing vessels, or barges, or drilling
14	ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or geophysical vessels, or
15	other watercraft (herein for purposes of this exemption being
16	referred to as vessels) engaged in foreign or international
17	commerce or in interstate commerce; provided, that nothing in
18	this article shall be construed to exempt or exclude from the
19	measure of the tax herein levied the gross proceeds of sale or
20	sales of material and supplies to any person for use in
21	fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair or
22	reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships, other watercraft and
23	commercial fishing vessels of over five tons load displacement
24	as registered with the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the
25	State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural
26	Resources. For purposes of this subdivision, it shall be
27	presumed that vessels engaged in the transportation of cargo

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

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

1 merchant or seller had no knowledge that such certificate was 2 false when it was filed with such merchant or seller.

"(13) Property stored, used, or consumed by the
 State of Alabama, by the counties within the state or by
 incorporated municipalities of the State of Alabama.

"(14) The use, storage, or consumption of materials, 6 7 equipment and machinery which, at any time, enter into and become a component part of ships, vessels, towing vessels or 8 barges, or drilling ships, rigs or barges, or seismic or 9 10 geophysical vessels, other watercraft and commercial fishing 11 vessels of over five tons load displacement as registered with 12 the U.S. Coast Guard and licensed by the Department of 13 Conservation and Natural Resources. Additionally, the use, storage, or consumption of lifeboats, personal flotation 14 15 devices, ring life buoys, survival craft equipment, distress 16 signals, EPIRB's, fire extinguishers, injury placards, waste 17 management plans and logs, marine sanitation devices, 18 navigation rulebooks, navigation lights, sound signals, 19 navigation day shapes, oil placard cards, garbage placards, 20 FCC SSL, stability instructions, first aid equipment, 21 compasses, anchor and radar reflectors, general alarm systems, 22 bilge pumps, piping, and discharge and electronic position 23 fixing devices on the aforementioned watercraft. 24 "(15) The use, storage, or consumption of fuel oil

25 purchased as fuel for kilns used in manufacturing 26 establishments.

1 "(16) Tangible personal property stored, used, or 2 consumed by county and city school boards within the State of Alabama, independent school boards within the State of 3 4 Alabama, all educational institutions and agencies of the State of Alabama, the counties within the state or any 5 incorporated municipality of the State of Alabama, and private 6 7 educational institutions operating within the State of Alabama offering conventional and traditional courses of study, such 8 as those offered by public schools, colleges, or universities 9 10 within the State of Alabama; but not including nurseries, day care centers, and home schools. 11

12 "(17) The storage, use, or consumption of railroad 13 cars, vessels, and barges and commercial fishing vessels of 14 over five tons load displacement as registered with the U.S. 15 Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of 16 Conservation and Natural Resources when purchased from the 17 manufacturers or builders thereof.

18 "(18) The storage, use, or consumption of all 19 devices or facilities, and all identifiable components thereof 20 or materials for use therein, used or placed in operation 21 primarily for the control, reduction or elimination of air or 22 water pollution, and the storage, use, or consumption of all 23 identifiable components of or materials used or intended for 24 use in structures built primarily for the control, reduction 25 or elimination of air or water pollution.

26 "(19) When dealers or distributors use parts taken
 27 from stocks owned by them in making repairs without charge for

1 such parts to the owner of the property required pursuant to
2 warranty agreements entered into by manufacturers, such use
3 shall not constitute taxable sales to the manufacturers,
4 distributors or to the dealers, under this article, or under
5 any county use tax law.

6 "(20) The storage, use, or other consumption in this 7 state of religious magazines and publications. For the purpose of this subdivision the words "religious magazines and 8 publications" shall be construed to mean printed or 9 10 illustrated lessons, notes and explanations distributed by churches or other religious organizations free of charge to 11 12 pupils or students in Sunday schools, Bible classes or other 13 educational facilities established and maintained by churches 14 or similar religious organizations in this state.

"(21) The storage, use, or other consumption of 15 wrapping paper and other wrapping materials when used in 16 17 preparing poultry or poultry products for delivery, shipment 18 or sale by the producer, processor, packer, or seller of such 19 poultry or poultry products including pallets used in shipping 20 poultry and egg products, paper or other materials used for 21 lining boxes or other containers in which poultry or poultry 22 products are packed together with any other materials placed 23 in such containers for the delivery, shipment or sale of 24 poultry or poultry products.

"(22) The storage, use, or other consumption of all
 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs,
 medicines or medications, vitamins, minerals, or other

nutrients and all other feed ingredients including
concentrates, supplements and other feed ingredients when such
substances are used as ingredients in mixing and preparing
feed for livestock and poultry. Such exemption herein granted
shall be in addition to exemptions now provided by law for
feed for livestock and poultry, but not including prepared
foods for dogs and cats.

8 "(23) The use of seedlings, plants, shoots, and 9 slips which are to be used for planting vegetable gardens or 10 truck farms. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt, or 11 exclude from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or 12 payable, the use of plants, seedlings, shoots, slips, nursery 13 stock and floral products except as hereinabove exempted.

"(24) Fabricated steel tube sections, when produced 14 15 and fabricated in this state by any person, firm, or corporation, for any vehicular tunnel for highway vehicular 16 17 traffic, when sold by the manufacturer or fabricator thereof, 18 and also steel which enters into and becomes a component part 19 of such fabricated steel tube sections of said tunnel, shall 20 be exempted from the provisions of this article and from the 21 computation of the amount of the tax levied, assessed or 22 payable under this article.

"(25) The storage, use, or other consumption of
herbicides for agricultural uses by whomsoever sold. The term
"herbicides" as used in this subdivision means any substance
or mixture of substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel,
or retard the growth of weeds or plants. It shall include

preemergence herbicides, postemergence herbicides, lay-by
 herbicides, pasture herbicides, defoliant herbicides, and
 desiccant herbicides.

"(26) The Alabama Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis
Research Foundation, and the Jefferson Tuberculosis Sanatorium
and any of their departments or 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, shall be exempted from the payment of the
state use tax levied under this article.

11 "(27) Fuel for use or consumption aboard commercial 12 fishing vessels are hereby exempt from the payment of the 13 state use tax levied under this article, or levied under any 14 county or municipal use tax law.

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

18 "(28) The storage, use, or withdrawal of sawdust, 19 wood shavings, wood chips, and other like materials purchased 20 for use as chicken litter by poultry producers and poultry 21 processors shall be exempt under this article.

"(29) The storage, use, or other consumption of all
 antibiotics, hormones and hormone preparations, drugs,
 medicines and other medications including serums and vaccines,
 vitamins, minerals or other nutrients for use in the
 production and growing of fish, livestock, and poultry are
 hereby specifically exempted from the payment of the state use

1 tax levied by this article. Such exemption as herein granted
2 shall be in addition to the exemptions now provided by law for
3 feed for fish, livestock, and poultry, and in addition to the
4 exemptions now provided by law for the above-enumerated
5 substances and products when mixed and used as ingredients in
6 fish, livestock and poultry feeds.

7 "(30) All medicines prescribed by physicians for persons who are 65 years of age or older, and when said 8 prescriptions are filled by licensed pharmacists, shall be 9 10 exempted from the operation of the state use tax law levied by this article, or by any county or municipal use tax law. The 11 12 exemptions provided in this subdivision shall not apply to any medicine purchased in any manner other than as is herein 13 provided. 14

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

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

21 "b. A certificate executed by any adult person 22 having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the 23 medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age. 24 "c. An affidavit executed by any adult person 25 having knowledge of the fact that the person for whom the 26 medicine was prescribed is not less than 65 years of age.

1	"For the purposes of this subdivision any person
2	filing a false proof of age shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
3	and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of
4	\$100.
5	" (31) All diesel fuel used for off-highway
6	agricultural purposes.
7	" (32) The storage, use, or other consumption of any
8	aircraft and replacement parts, components, systems, supplies
9	and sundries affixed or used on said aircraft and ground
10	support equipment and vehicles used by or for the aircraft by
11	a certificated or licensed air carrier with a hub operation
12	within this state, for use in conducting intrastate,
13	interstate or foreign commerce for transporting people or
14	property by air. For the purpose of this subdivision, the
15	words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to
16	have all of the following criteria:
17	"a. There originates from the location 15 or more
18	flight departures and five or more different first-stop
19	destinations five days per week for six or more months during
20	the calendar year; and
21	"-b. Passengers and/or property are regularly
22	exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
23	different certificated or licensed air carrier.
24	" (33) The storage, use, or other consumption of any
25	aviation jet fuel used by an aircraft operated by a
26	certificated or licensed air carrier that purchases jet fuel
27	for use in scheduled all-cargo operations being conducted on

- 1 international flights or in international commerce. For purposes of this subdivision, the following words or terms 2 shall be defined and interpreted as follows: 3 4 "a. Air Carrier. Any person, firm, corporation, or entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to 5 provide air transportation. 6 7 " b. All-Cargo Operations. Any flight conducted by an air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger 8 carrying flight, except passengers as specified in 14 C.F.R. 9 10 \$121.583(a) or 14 C.F.R. \$135.85, as amended. "-c. International Commerce. Any air carrier engaged 11 12 in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or 13 hire on international flights. "d. International Flights. Any air carrier 14 15 conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point within the 50 states of the United States and the District of 16 17 Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United 18 States and the District of Columbia, including any interim 19 stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin 20 or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States 21 and the District of Columbia. "(34) The storage, use, or other consumption of hot 22 23 or cold food and beverage products by a certificated or 24 licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state, 25 for use in conducting intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce for transporting people or property by air. For the 26
 - purpose of this subdivision, the words "hub operation within

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1 this state" shall be construed to have all of the following 2 criteria:

"a. There originates from the location 15 or more 3 4 flight departures and five or more different first-stop destinations five days per week for six or more months during 5 the calendar year; and 6 7 " b. Passengers and/or property are regularly exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a 8 different certificated or licensed air carrier. 9 10 "(35) The storage, use, or other consumption of the following: 11 "a. Drill pipe, casing, tubing, and other pipe used 12 13 for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters. 14 " b. Tangible personal property exclusively used for 15 the exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or 16 other minerals in offshore federal waters. 17 18 "-c. Fuel and supplies for use or consumption aboard 19 boats, ships, aircraft, and towing vessels when used 20 exclusively in transporting persons or property between a 21 point in Alabama and a point or points in offshore federal 22 waters for the exploration for or production of oil, gas, 23 sulphur, or other minerals in offshore federal waters. 24 "d. Drilling equipment that is used for the 25 exploration for or production of oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals, that is built for exclusive use outside this state 26 27 and that is, on completion, removed forthwith from this state.

1 "e. All domestically mined or produced coal, coke, 2 and coke by-products used in cogeneration plants in Alabama. "The delivery of items exempted by this subdivision 3 to the purchaser or lessee in this state does not disqualify 4 the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if the property is 5 removed from the state by any means, including by the use of 6 7 the purchaser's or lessee's own facilities. "The shipment to a place in this state of equipment 8 exempted by this subdivision for further assembly or 9 10 fabrication does not disqualify the purchaser or lessee from the exemption if on completion of the further assembly or 11 fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this

12 fabrication the equipment is removed forthwith from this 13 state. This subdivision applies to a sale that may occur when 14 the equipment exempted is further assembled or fabricated if 15 on completion the equipment is removed forthwith from this 16 state.

17 "(36) The storage or use of metal, other than gold 18 or silver, when such metal is held by an investment trust the 19 shares or other units in the trust's net assets of which have 20 been issued in exchange for such metal and are publicly 21 traded, including metal stored in warehouses located in this 22 state. For purposes of this subdivision, the term metals 23 includes, but is not limited to, copper, aluminum, nickel, zinc, tin, lead, and other similar metals typically used in 24 25 commercial and industrial applications.

26 "(37) For the period commencing October 1, 2012, and
 27 ending May 30, 2022, unless extended by joint resolution, all

1 parts, components, and systems that become a part of a fixed 2 or rotary wing military aircraft or certified transport category aircraft which undergoes conversion, reconfiguration, 3 4 or general maintenance so long as the address of the aircraft 5 for FAA registration is not in the state; provided, however, that this exemption shall not apply to a local use tax unless 6 7 previously exempted by local law or approved by resolution of the local governing body. 8

9 "(38) Lunches sold not for profit and within school 10 buildings to pupils of kindergarten, grammar, and high 11 schools, either public or private."

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall apply retroactively to all open tax years and tax periods for which a preliminary assessment or final assessment could be entered pursuant to Section 40-2A-7, Code of Alabama 1975, or any 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.

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